

# MLAOC at the Toronto International Boat Show

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Ron Stevenson & Ken Kirk with Billy Hazlitt's 1934 Johnson VR-45 racing motor.



Don Anderson's 1958 Sangster Craft fiberglass barn find & the TSACBA, Lakefield Cedar Strip "half & half" project.

Another strong MLAOC display of outboards at TIBS, Jan. 17 to 26. All in partnership with the Antique & Classic Boat Society, Toronto and the Trent Severn Antique & Classic Boat Association.

The level of interest and reaction from the general public was very rewarding. We signed up twelve new MLAOC members at the Show and distributed a significant number of membership application forms which are still coming in to David & Jan Hymers. A very successful Show in terms of growing our membership base. A real challenge these days for many Clubs.

Ron Stevenson organized our display to show outboards from different decades ...the 1920's through to the 1960's. MLAOC members displaying their motors included Peter Clark, Bruce Dixon, Sandy Kennedy, Ron Stevenson & Billy Hazlitt.



John Gullick's beautiful 1960 Leavens Victor with 1962 Mercury 700, six cyl. 70 hp.

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Jim Greig with Ron Stevenson's 1956 Evinrude Lark & 1955 Johnson 10.

Outboard Boat and Motor combinations on display included John Gullicks' 1960 Leavens "Victor" with a 6 cyl Mercury 70 hp, Don Andersons, "barn find", original condition 1958 Sangstercraft fibreglassic with original 35hp Evinrude Lark. Ken Kirk displayed his recently restored 1962 Kencat Mini Boat with a 1960 Elgin 18hp motor. The TSACBA displayed their Club Project "Half & Half" Lakefield cedar strip with a Johnson QD 10 hp restored on one side and "as found" on the other.



Both the Kencat Mini Boat & the Elgin 18 hp, have tail fins.



Don Anderson's 1958 Evinrude Lark in as found condition.

MLAOC volunteers manning our display included Ron Stevenson, Sean Goodman, James Greig, Sandy Kennedy, Murray Parnell, John Gullick and Ken Kirk. A lot of the heavy lifting for the display set-up of the outboards was handled by Jeff Stevenson. Murray Parnell, John Gullick and Ken Kirk were on hand to facilitate the set-up of the boat & motor combos.



1926 Lockwood-Ash Twin displayed by "Kids & Classics".

A big thank you to all the MLAOC members who contributed to make our MLAOC outboard display a great success.



Ken Kirk with his rare Kencat Mini Boat & 1960 Elgin 18 hp.



Sandy Kennedy with Peter Clarks, 1930 Johnson K-50 & Bruce Dixon's 1976 Evinrude Fisherman.