

MLAOC at ACBS Antique & Classic Boat Show – Gravenhurst, July 7th

Report: Ken Kirk

Photos: Sandy Kennedy & Laura Gaggi



Adam Gibb, Ted Moss & our MLAOC display organizer Matt Lockett.



Jeff & Ron Stevenson in their 1961 Powercat Bahama with Twin MERC 800 DR's

The ACBS Gravenhurst Show was a great success on two fronts.

Our MLAOC exhibit organized by Matt Lockett featured a full spectrum of well restored motors from 1918 thru to the 1960's. The highlights included an extremely rare Indian Silver Arrow displayed by Ted Moss. A wide variety of brands were represented. The diversity and quality of our display was well received by the public and greatly appreciated by the ACBS Show organizers.

The second important attribute of the 2018 Show was the featuring of vintage Fiberglass boats. A special award was created in memory of fiberglass boat restorer and advocate, Ronny Haylock. This award was presented to the boat judged Best Classic Glass at the Show. The Award was won by Bill & Brenda Sumner for their 1959 Glastron, "Stand by Me". There were a total of 25 FiberGlassics in the water and on land. Of these, 20 were outboard powered, the majority with period correct outboard motors.

Many of our MLAOC members now have, or are looking for, a vintage boat, fibreglass, wood or aluminum, to run a strong outboard on.

This aspect of the Show was a real crowd pleaser. Fun to see so many outboard powered classic boats in the water running at speed.

Outboard Boat & Motor Award winners at ACBS Gravenhurst:

- **FOUNDERS AWARD (OLDEST FIBERGLASS BOAT)**
-"Banana Split", Merc powered 1957 Glastron, Alan Simmons
- **BEST PRESENTED BOAT AWARD**
-"Aqua Bat", Merc powered 1959, Larson Falls Flyer, Gary Judges.
- **RONNY HAYLOCK BEST CLASSIC GLASS AWARD**
-"Stand by Me", Johnson powered 1959 Glastron, Bill & Brenda Sumner.



L-R: Bruce Reinhart, Matt & Jim Lockett, Ted Moss, Adam Gibb, Peter Doey & Sandy Kennedy.



ACBS Boat Show Chairman, Mike Gridley with Murray Parnell, ACBS Toronto President Tom Crawford & Wayne Robinson.

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RONNY HAYLOCK BEST CLASSIC GLASS AWARD WINNER
1959 Glastron, with Twin Johnson Super Seahorse 35's. Bill & Brenda Sumner.



August Sapinet & Nick Monastero
at play in the Flea Market.



John Gullick's 1960 Leavens Victor with a first year Canadian built MERC.



Sandy Kennedy's Chris Craft Commander with stacks & Bayer Racing gearfoot.



Don Anderson's 1958 Sangster Craft with nice 1958 Evinrude Lark 35.



Laura Gaggi & Adam Gibb with impressive MLAOC display of quality restore Outboards.



L-R: Rob Abbott, Ron Stevenson, Ted Moss, Jim & Matt Lockett, Adam Gibb, Rick Burns & John Gullick.

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Sandy Kennedy's Evinrude DRBM with wooden packing crate.



Sandy & Matt Lockett agree...Sandy's tin signs look amazing!



BEST PRESENTED BOAT AWARD
Gary Judges, "Aqua Bat", Merc powered 1959, Larson Falls Flyer.



A restored original Elto Cub with a reproduced Dealership Display.



Wayne Robinson's 1961 AristoCraft Funliner with 80HP MERC.



Ken Kirk in "Ringo", MERC powered Princecraft Flyer. Wayne Robinson & Laura Gaggi on the dock.



FOUNDERS AWARD (OLDEST FIBERGLASS BOAT)
Alan Simmons Merc powered 1957 Glastron, "Banana Split".