

“Ice Breaker” Swap Meet- Whitby, April 28, 2018

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Dean Manderson selling a 1950's Johnson QD16

The “Ice Breaker” Meet at the Whitby Baptist Church continued to hold up its long tradition of delivering great food and an abundance of outboard parts and accessories, as well as a wide variety of good restorable motors, for sale. Buy, sell, trade was the order of the day and it all got off to an early start at about 7:30 AM. The “Ice Breaker” is one of those events where the old flea market mantra holds true.....“you snooze....you loose”.

The “Ice Breaker” is the best cure I know for “Cabin Fever”.

In addition to the items for sale....long time member Owen Aho brought out another of his early outboards for display. This time it was a beautiful, fully restored 1913 Wisconsin Row Boat Motor. Always great to see these pioneering outboard brands and their early design & engineering features.

The Ladies of the Whitby Baptist Church organized early morning coffee and sweets and then did their usual outstanding lunch which included their signature, bacon and potato soup. There wasn't any of that left over.

The number of people who stayed for lunch was the most I have ever seen. The basement of the WBC was absolutely packed. Extra tables had to be set up to accommodate everyone.

President Ron welcomed all on behalf of the MLAOC and gave a rundown of upcoming MLAOC events. Murray Parnell, representing the Trent Severn Antique & Classic Boat Association, went through the key events planned by the TSACBA for the coming season and invited MLAOC Members to participate. Scott Waites talked about the World Water Ski Show Team Championships to be held for the first time ever in Canada at Huntsville this September. Scott expressed the hope that we could display some vintage outboards and collectables relevant to the early days of water skiing.



The Ladies of the Whitby Baptist Church. Margie & Kate Stevenson are 3rd & 4th from the left.



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Peter McDowell was recognized for his many contributions to the MLAOC and its members.

Peter was awarded the MLAOC "Spark Plug" Award. The presentation was made by Steering Committee member Ken Kirk.

Ken explained the significance of the Award and how the recipient was selected. Ken also articulated Peter's many significant contributions made to the MLAOC over the years.

This Award had not been presented for some time and had been reinstated by the Steering Committee for 20

18. A complete article on the "Spark Plug" Award and on Peter McDowell's contributions to the MLAOC is in a separate article in this NEWSLETTER.

The WBC Ladies Ministry also held a fund raising raffle for a 1965 Evinrude Light Twin 3 HP along with an Evinrude motor stand. The motor had been restored and donated to the Ladies Ministry by Ron Stevenson. The lucky winner of the motor and stand was Kyle Robinson who happily advised that this was the first time he had won anything. Congrats Kyle. Enjoy this little treasure.

All in All....another great day of fun, fellowship and fresh air outboarding.



Peter Kubovic with motors he & son Adam were selling at Whitby.



Peter McDowell receives the 2018 MLAOC "Spark Plug" Award.



Ron Ward with 1960's Johnson & Cedar Log Motor stand.



Rouges Gallery... the first 8 guys in line for the potato & bacon soup!



The Senior Senators.... Owen Aho, John England & Roy Cameron