

# Antique Boat Museum, Clayton, N.Y.

## 58th Annual Antique Boat Show, Aug. 5-7

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It was a hot and sunny weekend in the Thousand Islands as the Antique Boat Museum once again hosted what is recognized to be one of the premiere Antique and Classic Boat Shows in North America.

With COVID restrictions lifted and border crossing protocols relaxed, both spectators and participants were excited to be there and once again connect with their boating friends.

A core group of outboard collectors led by Scott Smith and Fran Secor presented a display of quality restored antique and classic outboards. There was a wide variety of wood and fiberglass outboard boats and motors displayed on land and in the water.

On hand to judge the outboards was noted vintage outboard author and historian, Peter Hunn. Two of our MLAOC Members came away with top Awards. Stephen Fox from Ottawa won the Outboard Motor Craftsmanship Award for his 1930 Lockwood Ace. Port Perry's Wayne Robinson won the Best Restored Classic Outboard Boat and Motor Award for his 1956 AristoCraft "SeaFlash" with Mercury Mark 55.

The Antique Boat Museum at Clayton is a world class facility. If you are interested in vintage watercraft of any type from sail boats to race boats..... from canoes and kayaks to cabin cruisers and commuters...you will find them all well represented here. The Museum is open 7 days a week almost year-round. You can visit anytime. Check their website for details. It's a "must see" collection.

The only disappointment at this years Show was the Flea Market/Swap Meet. Traditionally a real highlight, this year's vendor turnout was quite small. Hopefully, as we continue to move forward out of the shadow of COVID this component will also return to its former glory.



**Wayne Robinson receives Best Classic Outboard Boat & Motor Award from Antique Boat Museum Executive Director Rebecca Hopfinger.**



**Vintage outboard expert & noted author of "The Old Outboard" Books, Peter Hunn, with Stephen Fox's Award winning 1930 Lockwood Ace and Caille Flash racer.**



**Wayne Robinson's Award Winning 1956 AristoCraft "SeaFlash" with Merc Mark 55**



**Rare 1930 Johnson electric start outboard.**







**1950 Chris Craft Challenger  
5 h.p on Lyman Lapstrake Boat.**

In the Museum, 1904  
Motorgodille, 2 h.p. Built in  
France this is the oldest gas  
powered Outboard known  
to exist.

Alongside, 1971 Johnson  
50 h.p, the Museum claims  
is the 1-millionth motor  
built by OMC in  
Peterborough.  
We are not sure this is  
correct.



**1958 Neal Hydroplane with Johnson  
"ALKY", "C" Class race motor.**

**Sweet little Evinrude Sportwin on  
a Penn Yan Cartopper.**

**A Swift Hydro from the 50's  
with a MERC Mark 55 H.**



**1979 Johnson "Stinger" 75 h.p.  
on a rare Allison hull.**



**Scott Smith & son Liam with 1942 Evinrude  
Sportsman & 1963 Outboard Jet.**



**Best Outboard Display,  
Jeffrey Walsh for his  
Johnson MS-38.**