Ron Gilpin 1943- 2019

Ron Gilpin/Toronto Marine Auction-Nov. 16

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The executors of the late Ron Gilpins estate had reached out to Peter McDowell to see if he and the MLAOC could help with the liquidation of the contents at Rons' shop, Toronto Marine, in Mississauga. Subsequently Peter organized a tag auction event that was held on Nov. 16. A great deal of work by Peter and by Rons' nephews, Glen & Chris Childs, went into preparing and organizing the motors, parts, advertising, motor stands, oil cans & outboard accessories so that they could be sold. There were a number of mid 50's OMC outboards in excellent original condition including a 1954 Johnson 5.5. The feature outboard was a fully restored mid 1920's Elto Ruddertwin. A large number of MLAOC members turned out. Peter McDowell did a great job of running an orderly and well organized tag auction. The executors were very pleased with the results and appreciative of Peters efforts and of the MLAOC participation.

Most everyone went home with a treasure and/ or parts and pieces that they will put to good use. Ron Gilpin would be pleased to know that the things he preserved and cared about would continue to be in the hands of people who would see the same value in them as he did. Thanks to everyone who attended and who bid generously. Remembering Ron Gilpin.



Peter McDowell, Center, with Ron Gilpin's nephews Glen & Chris Childs.