

A NTIQUE BOAT NEWS

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BOAT OF THE MONTH

1957 26' Chris Craft Sports Express



Asking price \$42,900.00

This is a fully restored boat with complete picture trail of restoration. Very clean with twin KL engines and comes on trailer.

*Additional pictures below

The above boat is in our showroom for your personal inspection.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES/BOAT SHOWS

LAKE WAWASEE, INDIANA – JUNE 11th-12th

Lake Wawasee Antique & Classic Boat Rendezvous. Oakwood Park

INDIANAPLOIS, INDIANA – JULY 23rd

18th Annual Indiana antique & classic boat show on the canal in downtown Indianapolis.

CLAYTON, NEW YORK - AUGUST 5th - 7th

41st annual antique boat show and auction at the Antique Boat Museum

HESSEL, MICHIGAN - AUGUST 13TH



Century Boat Club Meeting

Thanks to everyone who attended the spring meeting of the Century Boat Club. Informative speakers and time to meet new and old friends over dinner in our showroom made for a wonderful day!

"The Trouble with a wood boat is that it costs so much to maintain"

Periodically, we hear the above quoted statement. We encourage people to look at this issue in this manner –

Let's say you are considering spending \$25,000 either for a new 18' Sea Ray or for a properly restored 18' Chris Craft Continental. Both cost about the same to purchase, insure, and register.

Now let's look at the values of each of these boats in five years. Obviously we need to know what has typically happened the past five years to be able to estimate future values. The Sea Ray should be worth about \$13-14,000 (about 40% depreciation). The Chris Craft should be worth \$28,000.00 (about 10% appreciation). The difference between these two values is about \$14,000.00

Let's look at the expenses of ownership during this five-year period. Many of the expenses will be the same such as gas, tune-ups, insurance, dockage fees, storage, license, winterization, etc. However, with the wood boat you are going to need to have it varnished once during this five-year period. Estimated cost about \$1,500. One will also probably need to have the bottom painted on the wood boat one time during this period – estimated cost \$500.00

The biggest expense on the Sea Ray is depreciation - \$14,000. This is not an expense that one actually feels during the five years of ownership, but it is occurring. This expense is felt when you sell your boat.

We frequently re-sell antique/classic boats for customers at a profit or break-even basis when they decided to move on to another larger boat. Antique boats are not necessarily a good investment, but they are not a bad place to "park money".

The Pro-Flushional inboard engine flusher

This is what we use to run the inboard engines in our shop. The flusher attaches to the water intake on the hull. Locks tight against the hull and will not fall off when climbing in and out of the boat.

Price is \$30.95 and is available for purchase in our on-line store by clicking here!!



Antique Boat Center



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