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Carter Craft Registry

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3rd Annual

Carter Craft & Carter Boat Show

November 4th, 2017

Show Coverage



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Registry Founded
2008

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2018 Newsletters

Jan- Feb

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Jul - Aug.

Sep. – Oct.

Nov. – Dec.

Current Registry

Members (Boats)– 52
Guest – 24

Past Editors

Bruce Danielson

Founder

2008-2015

Ed Dominiak

2015- 2016



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FROM THE EDITOR

Rick Pressley

Happy New Year!

show.

Folks I am very sorry for the tardiness of this newsletter. I came back from the show very much pumped about the turnout and the beauty of having all these boats in one place. We continue to pull pictures and video together. As I get all of this sent to me I will post on the website.

Thanks to Robert and Lynne Moore for so much help in the local area to help in many ways.

A big thank you to the Callaway Historical Society.

March newsletter will be packed with show coverage and videos uploaded to the website. Again my apologies for the late delivery. Work has kept me busy on and off the road since Christmas. Long days and longer nights. I need to retire.

Speaking of website, I have been told that several are experiencing issues with the site being down. I have upgraded security measures, but we are continually being hacked and when these attempts happen, the security software shuts down the site. My apologies for this, but unless we pay for better security software it will continue. I monitor and get it back on line as quick as possible.

Alan Parker has been keeping me up to date with boat listing on Carter Craft. One for sale in St. Louis and California. Thanks Alan.

We continue to grow in numbers and we are finding more boats. Just at release the new owner of the oldest boat in registry just contacted me this morning. Website is working.

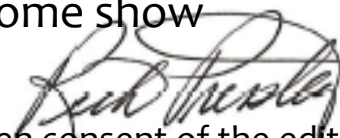
My thanks to all that provide such great support to the show. Special guest, Harlan Wilson was there with smiles in place. Don Hixson was there from Tennessee, former owner of Posieden

Boat sells are great and we have added two more boats this past month. Info included in the newsletter.

Thanks to Senator George Gainer and his staff fro providing boats and funding for the show. Mike Miller for bringing his boat and funding for banners as well. We had a great

I am sure I left folks out, but full coverage next month.

Awesome show

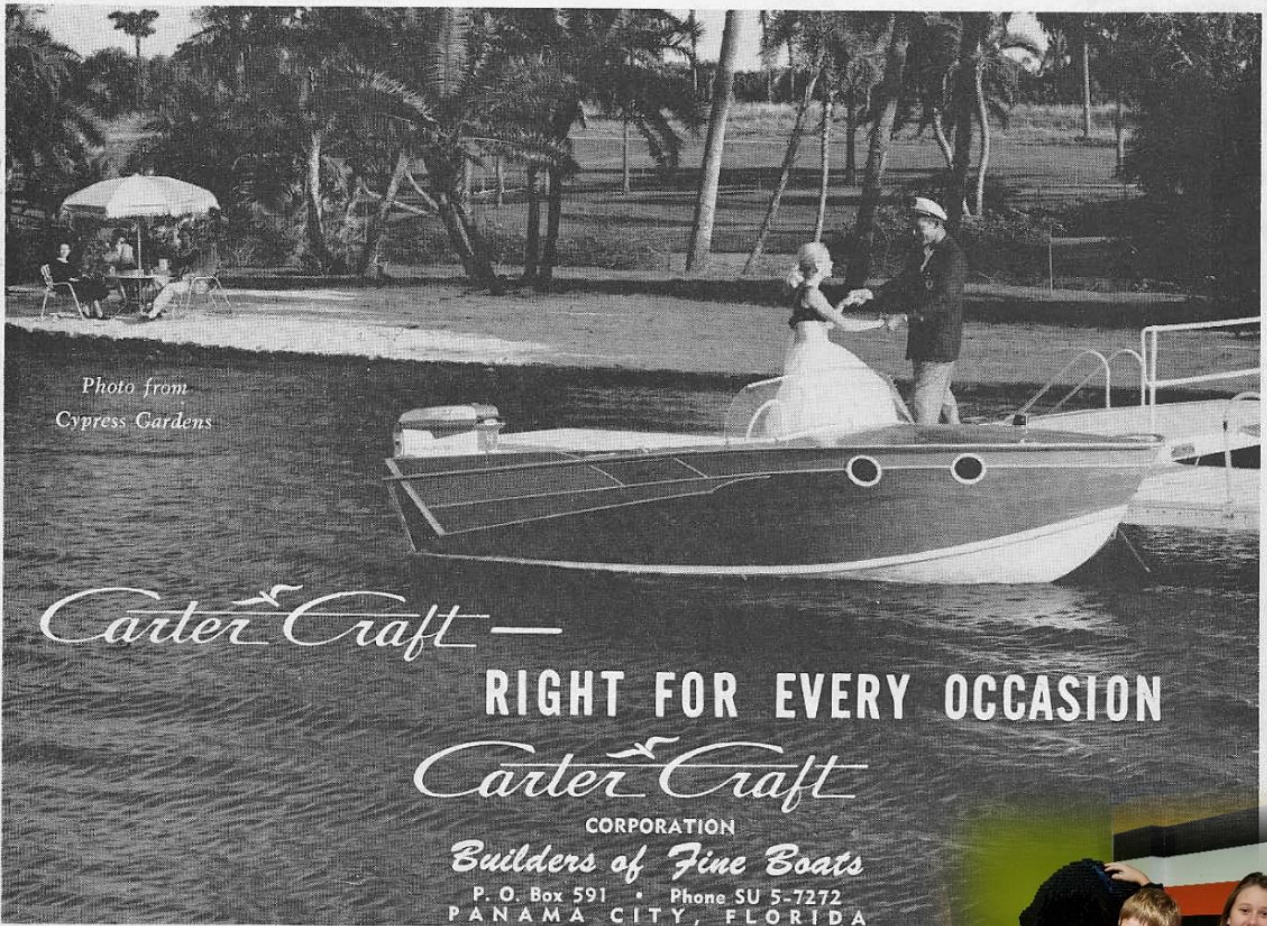


We need you!

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Back In Time



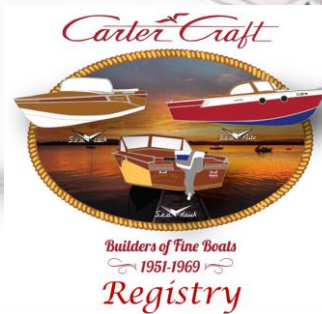
MARCH 1960

Carter Craft Boat at Cypress Gardens.
Now Legoland. We were there this month with the grandkids. They enjoyed the lame comedy of Captain Brickbeard and Salty. The highlight though. Still the Ski Show. Not as big. Would have been great to see Carter Craft Boats pulling the skiers. Anyone know where photo was taken?



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Carter Craft & Carter Boats 3rd Annual Show



A big THANKS
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3rd Annual Show

Meet & Greet

Friday November 3rd 2017



Harlan Wilson and Senator
George Gainer



Left To Right
Rick Pressley, Bob Kellogg &
Jay Hayes



Jim & Jane Hickey Receiving
Award

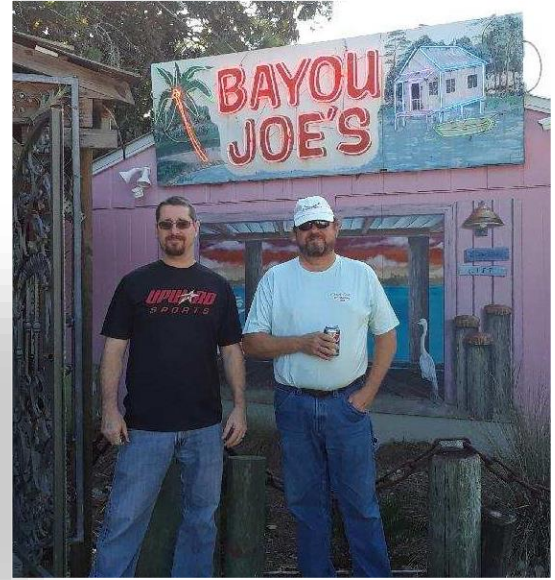
Jay Hayes - Solo



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3rd Annual Show
Breakfast, Sunday Nov. 5th



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Left – Front To back, Jane Hickey, Jim Hickey, Richard Pressley
Right – Front To back, Lynne Moore, Robert Moore,
Donovan Pressley, Rick Pressley, Lewis White

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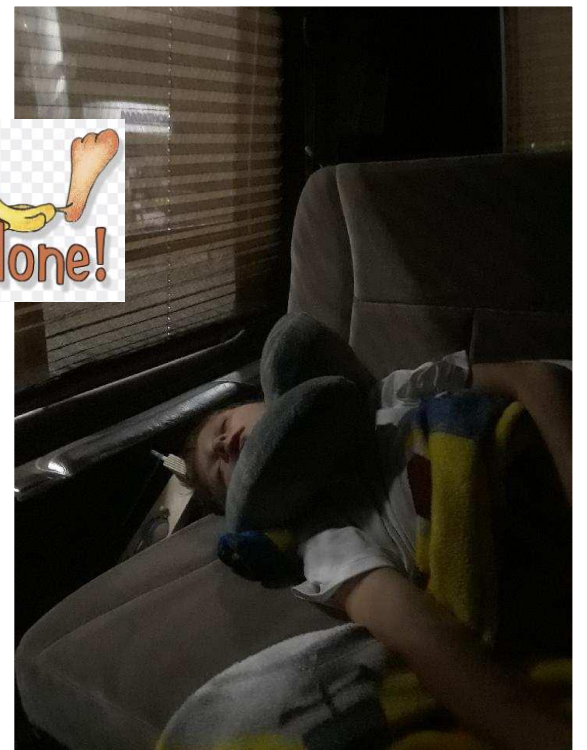
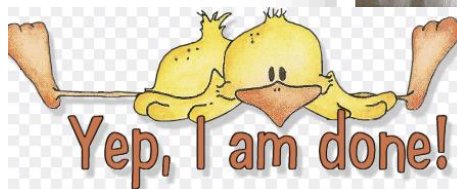
3rd Annual Show

Shows Over!
Headed Home



Rick Pressley's 1957 Sea Hawk and Donovan Pressley's 1952 Runabout
in front of the original Carter Craft Assembly Building.

Sun November 5th, 2017



Donovan,
he goes till he falls over.

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Carter Craft

Owner: George Gainer
Location: Panama City, FL
Owned Since: 11/17
Year: 1961
Model: Imperial, 19ft
Royalite Hull
Hull Number: R0557S
Engine: 1964 90hp Evinrude
Trailer: Little Dude



Lewis White trailered this boat from Texas for the 3rd Annual Show in Panama City. This is the only Imperial known to still exist. Senator Gainer purchased this boat and it now resides in Panama City.



Carter Craft



Owner: Donovan Pressley
Location: Indiantown, Florida
Owned Since: May 2017
Owner# 2
Year: 1952
Model: Runabout
Hull Number: 5002
Engine: Mercury 65hp 1973
Trailer: Gator

3 Coats Of Varnish



Update: Top deck and rails all have 3 coats of varnish. Each time I have time to move forward, weather is to cool to apply next coat. Each successive coat make it look awesome. 5 more to go. Donovan is still excited to progress.



Carter Craft



Owner: Dennis Renaud
Location: Michigan
Owned Since: New
Owner#: 2
Year: 1959
Model: Coca Cola Edition
Hull Number: 7808
Engine: Evinrude 35 Big Twin
Trailer: 1959 Gator

Dennis's Coca Cola Edition Sea Hawk boat is progressing beautifully at the shop in Michigan at [Nelson H Niederer Woodworking](#). The boat is now upright. Dennis is collecting trim, windshield items. This is going to be one beautiful boat. Stay tuned as more pictures and info come. Dennis has been a great help in locating vendor for supplies. We will publish all those next month.



Carter Craft

Just Plain Fun!

Owner: Bruce Danielson (Founder)

Location: Mn.

Owned Since: New

Owner#: 1

Year: 1982

Model: Alum Craft Fishing Boat

Engine: Mariner 15Hp

FISHING BOAT TO RUNABOUT CONVERSION IN THE SPIRIT OF CARTER CRAFT BOATS:

BACKGROUND:

After parting with my Carter Craft "Sea Hawk", I had a desire to own another runabout boat. I have had this idea in mind for several years and started the project planning during the early winter months of 2016. Worked on it all summer of 2016 off and on. I used the construction design used in my Sea Hawk front bow and finished all but the windshield in 2016. I designed and worked on the windshield this last winter and installed it this Summer. My plan was to be able to convert a 14' Alum Craft fishing boat into a small runabout in 6-8 hours time.

Completed runabout with CC style windshield completed in October 2017. The front bow pendent has the Carter Craft script embroidered on it. For motor controls I used an old 50's style Johnson shift and throttle control. I developed a method of controlling the tiller handle throttle speed using the Johnson control.

Completed dash and deck with vintage steering wheel. I made a mockup of the front deck and dash making sure everything would work.



Bow frame work made from PVC trim and treated plywood materials. The bow slips over the boat gunnels and is locked in with 3/8" bolts. The dash is made from solid mahogany and wheel is identical to my old Sea Hawk.



Membership Update Form – Page 1 of 2

First _____ Middle In. _____ Last Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home PH _____ Email _____

Cell Ph _____

Date Joined (Estimate of Unsure)

ACBS MBR #



PLEASE UPDATE INFO

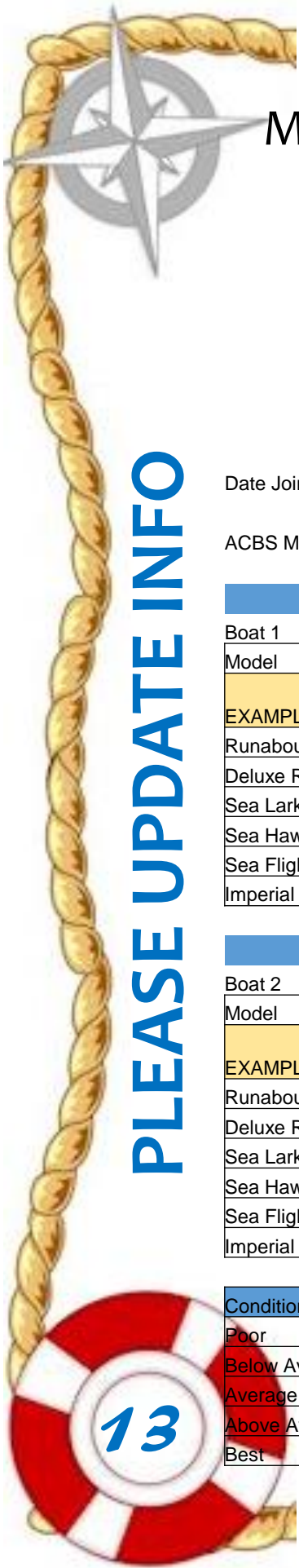
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Model		Year	Orig	Restored	Condition	Original	Restored	Make	Yr
EXAMPLE	X	19XX	Y/N	Y/N	See Below	Y/N	Y/N	Mastercraft	19XX
Runabout									
Deluxe Runabout									
Sea Lark									
Sea Hawk									
Sea Flight									
Imperial									

Boat Information									
Boat 2						Trailer			
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Sea Flight									
Imperial									

Conditions	
Poor	1
Below Average	2
Average	3
Above Average	4
Best	5

Engine	Make	Model	Hp
Boat 1			
Boat 2			

Please fill out, scan an email me updated info for the registry.
(Both Pages Please)



Membership Update Form Page 2 of 2

How Long have you owned your boat? _____

Has it been in family for generations? _____ If so, how many? _____

What is primary use of boat? _____

Primary reason you bought boat? _____

List as many owners as possible

	Name	City	State
Original Ower			
2nd Owner			
3rd Owner			
4th Owner			
5th Owner			
6th Owner			

Will you attend 3rd Annual Show in Panama City Florida (1st Week Nov)?

Would you attend show if closer to your home state?

What would you like to see in the Newsletter?

We are going to Web based this year.

Would you be willing to pay \$25.00 per year for membership to support the monthly hosting fees and website maintainance?

Are you interested in replaement parts for your boat?

If so, what items?

Please send any other comments or suggestions wit hyour return mail.

Thanks for taking the time to fill out and return this questionnaire

PLEASE UPDATE INFO



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Members & Guest

New Members – If you know anyone that owns or interested in Carter Craft boats, please encourage them to join our registry.

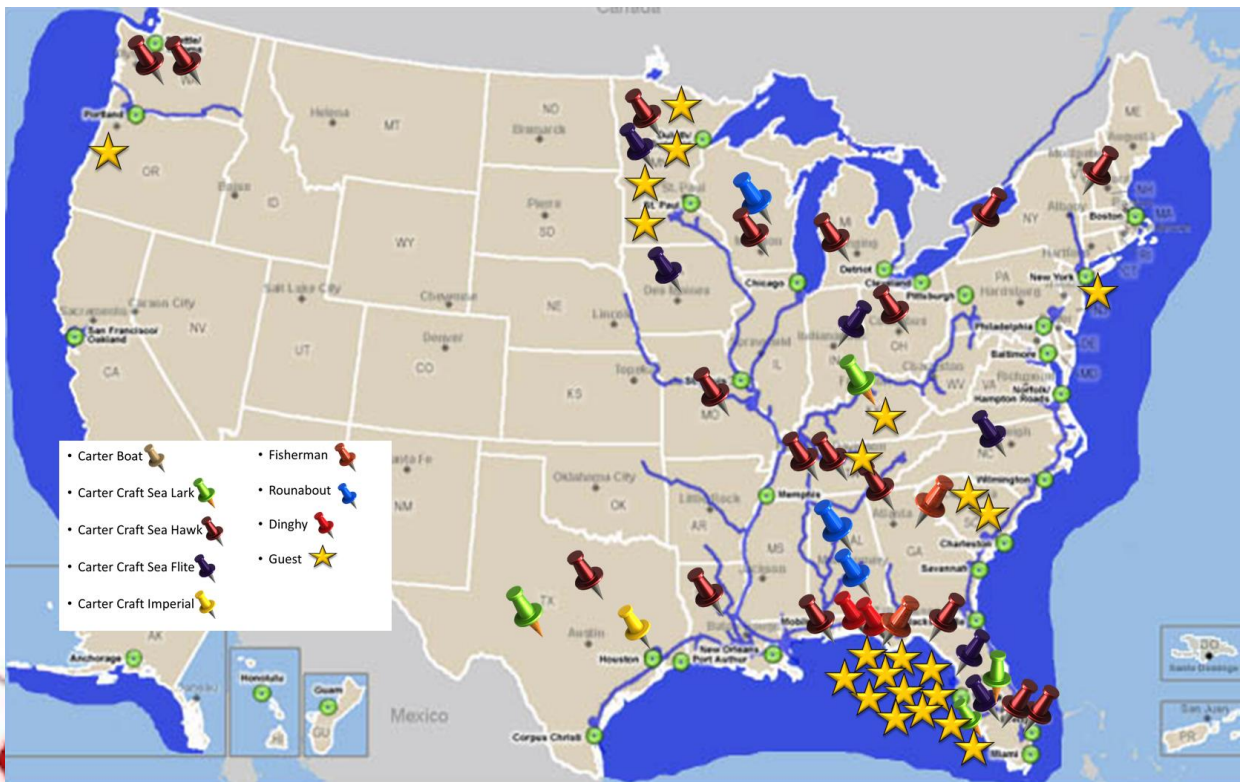
New Members

Robert Foran – Panama City, Florida
14ft Fishing Boat

Guest

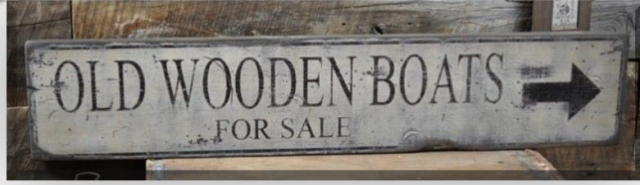
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Models	Qty
Fishing Boats	5
Runabouts	2
Deluxe Runabouts	4
Sea Lark	8
Sea Lark (Fiberglass)	1
Sea Hawk	16
Sea Hawk (Firestone Edition)	1
Sea Hawk (Coca Cola Edition)	1
Sea Hawk (Royalite Hull)	1
Sea Flite	8
Imperial	1
Total	48



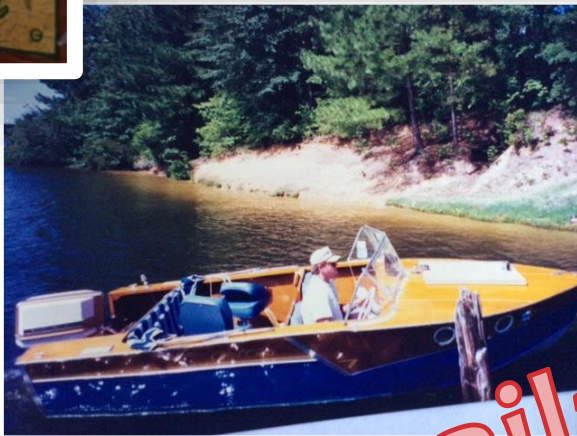
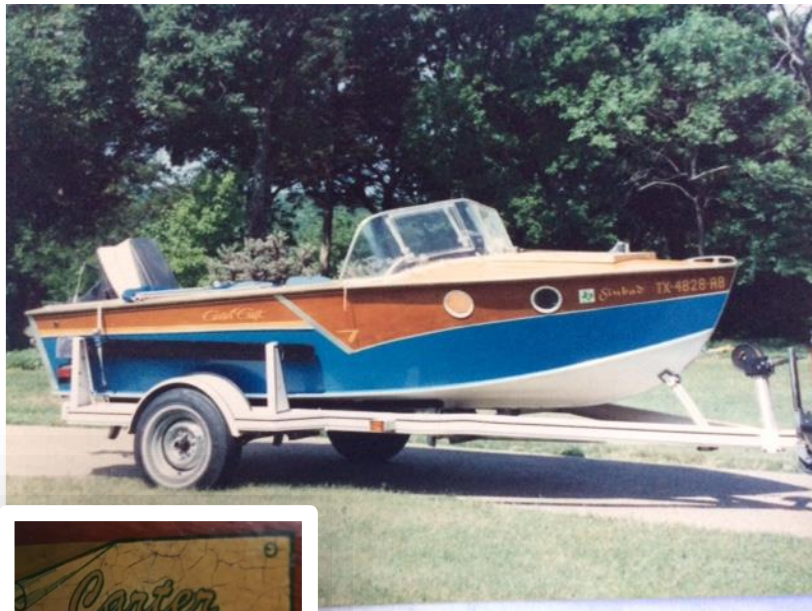
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"Sinbad"

1956 Sea Hawk 16ft
Hull #5027, 2nd Owner
Edwin Spurlin
Yantis, Texas 75497



Appears the show coverage is getting us some great advertisement. I have received multiple calls from folks finding our information on the internet.

Mr. Spurlin was one of those folks. This boat has been stored inside most of its life and is in great shape. He was interested in finding out more of the history of the boats and indicated he may be interested in selling. Welcomed him to the registry and his boat is shown here. If you are interested, contact me and I will get you in touch with Mr. Spurlin. Looks like a great find.

Still Available



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First Reverse Engineered Parts



Is your windshield cracked or broken? These are the next items to work.

Jim Hickey provided a dimensional drawing of Original Carter Craft wrap around windshield for Sea Hawk. I have provided a template for Sea Lark.

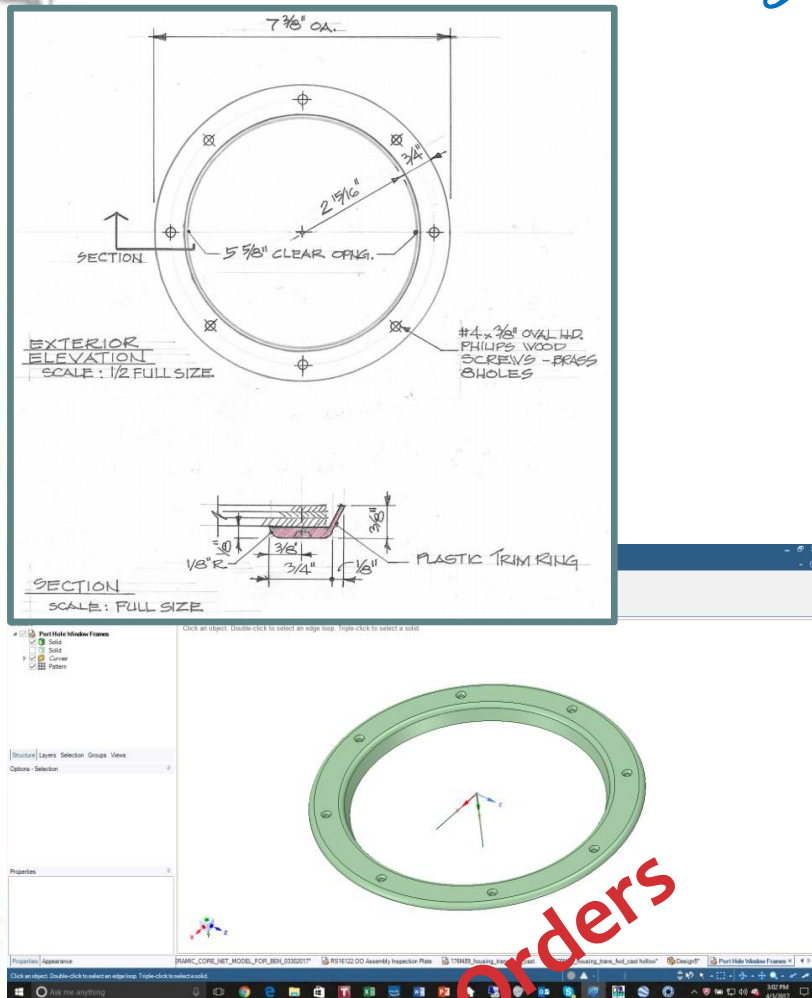


I am in discussions with a shop in West palm Beach to produce windshields. We need to know how many we could expect to order to get pricing. Please advise to Rick Pressley if you are interested.

Currently we have interest in 4 windshields

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First Reverse Engineered Parts



Are your porthole frames cracked or are you using West Marine hatch access frames like me?

Jim Hickey provided a dimensional drawing of Original Carter Craft Porthole Frames. I took those dimensions and created a 3D CAD model to be used for printing a mold. A shaded image was generated and we have received the first quotes for producing parts. This will be a one run and parts will be built on for those purchasing. No extras will be made.

Still Need Orders



We have quotes that put this at \$37.50 to \$50.00 each depending on quantity. We need 120 to hit the 37.50. We are making these available at cost. If you are interested, please email me with the qty you desire. I would suggest buying sets, as these will not likely match older plastics that have yellowed. If this is well received, we will consider other parts in the future.



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For Sale



\$30.00 Need To be Re Plated
Inserts have no cracks, but are Worn.
Can barely make out "Carter Craft"
Contact Rick Pressley 561-459-5380



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Shirts and Hat Available – For Sale
If interested contact me and I will provide
information

T Shirt Order Info



I have the following shirts left over:

- 1 Large Yellow – Men's***
- 1 Medium Green – Ladies***
- 2 Small White – Men's***

First Come First Served

If you would like one of these shirts, please send selection to email and payment to:

Valerie Pressley
16300 SW Pinto Street
Indiantown, Florida 34956

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WANTED!

LOOKING FOR

Need hardware for 14ft runabout:

- Lights
- Horn
- Trim hardware
- Step Plates
- Bimini Top Frame

If you have any original hardware for Carter Crafts that you are not using and would like to sell. Please contact Rick Pressley 561-346-9814 or 772-597-2487



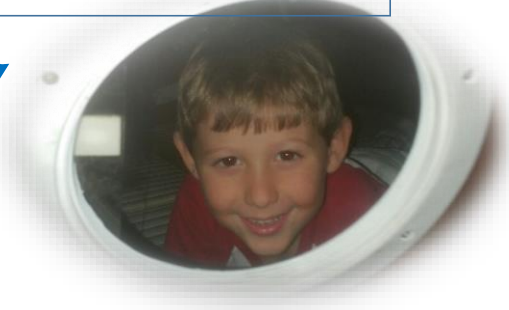


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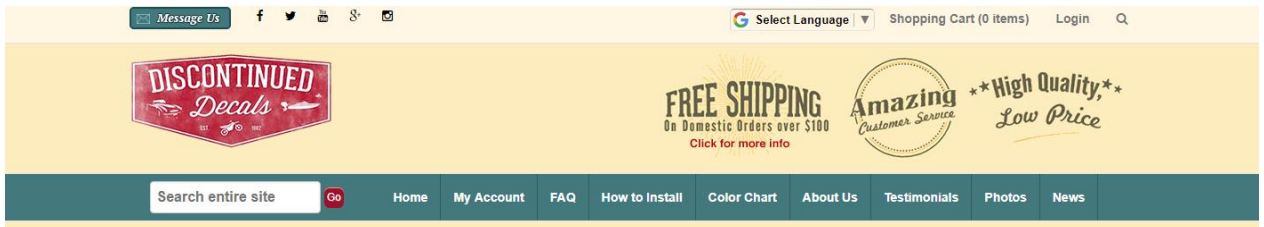
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Looking Forward

From ACBS Website

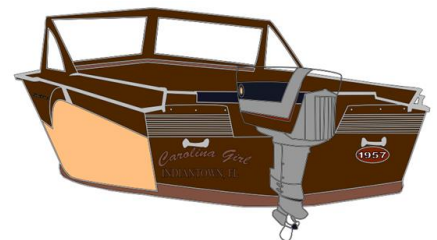


Check this out, info provided by Dennis Renaud. Great source for all those old decals needed for restorations.



<http://discontinueddecals.com/store/c/30-Other-Decals.aspx>

Check Out The ACBS website for shows near you. We need active participation to cover boat shows. Let's put Carter Craft on everyone's the map!!!!



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Where Is My Carter Craft Hull Number?



On my Sea Hawk, it is located to the right of the steering wheel.

Information I was provided says they were on left side of dash, but had to be visible from seat.



Approx. ½ " Tall



Where Is My Carter Boat Hull Number? Carter Boats



It is located to the Left Side of Boat

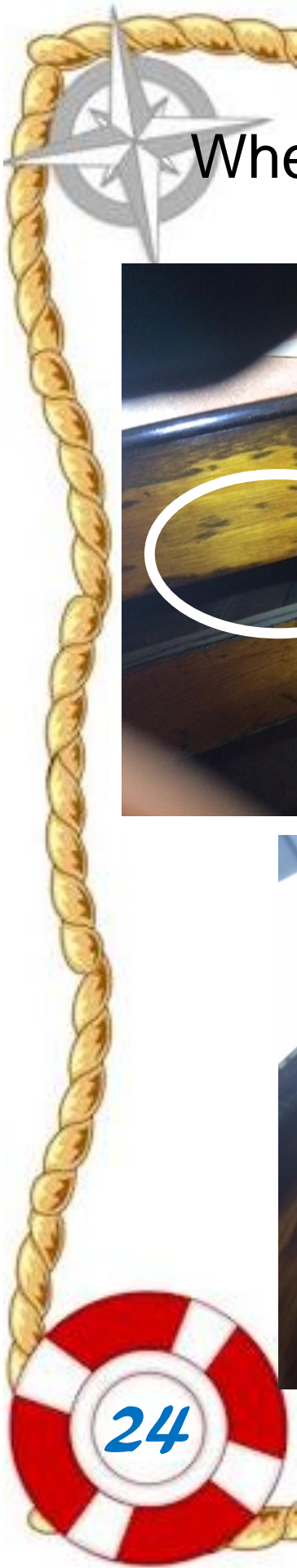
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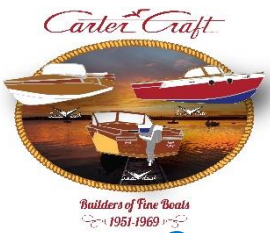


1/2 " Tall



Special Thanks to
Robert Moore For
the Photos





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Logo & Marking History

By: Bruce Danielson
(Updated by Rick Pressley)

These pages show all the Carter Craft Logos, "Designed By" and Dealer decals we are currently aware of. Most, we are not 100% sure what logos were used when and for how long. Your input will help this page become and accurate document for future historical reference. Please contribute your facts on this subject.

"Carter Designed" Label
D. Pressley's 1952 Runabout



"Carter Designed" Label
Spurlin's 1956 Sea Hawk



Do you have either of these? Please send pictures!

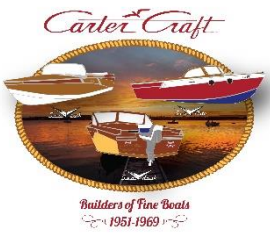


"Dealer" Label
Spurlin's 1956 Sea Hawk



"Dealer" Label
R. Pressley's 1957 Sea Hawk





Carter Craft Logo History

By: Bruce Danielson
(Updated by Rick Pressley)



1951 To 1952(?) "Carter" Logo
Boats Built Under James Carter Ownership
Material - Plastic



1957 To 1969(?) "Carter Craft" Logo
Boats Built Under Tom Bingham Ownership
Material - Metal - Chrome Plated
(Used Until End Of Production)



1953 To 1954(?) "Carter Craft" Logo
Boats Built Under Tom Bingham Ownership
Material - Paint (Appears Hand Painted)



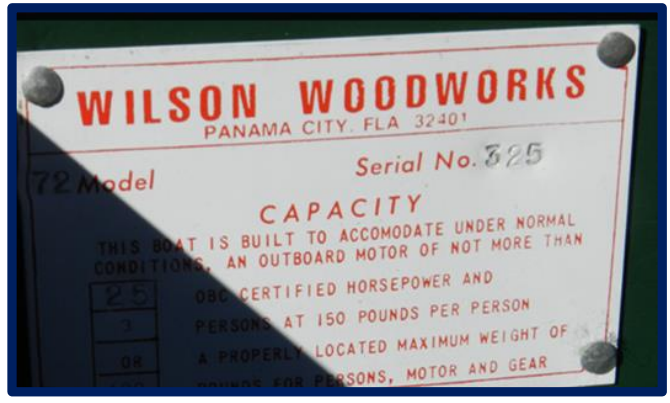
1961(?) "Carter Boats" Logo
Boats Built Under James Carter Ownership
Material - Plastic
(This example is a reverse engineer of the plastic logo and machined from Brass)



1954 To 1955(?) "Carter" Logo
Boats Built Under Tom Bingham Ownership
Material - Paint (Screen Print)



1955 To 1956(?) "Carter Craft" Logo
Boats Built Under Tom Bingham Ownership
Material - Decal



1971(?) "Wilson Woodworks" Logo
Boats Built Under Harlan Wilson
Material - Metal Tag
(These were on fishing boats built from the original James Carter jigs)





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Historical Business Records



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Detail by Entity Name
Florida Profit Corporation
CARTER CRAFT CORPORATION

Filing Information

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FEI/EIN Number	00-0000000
Date Filed	07/12/1951
State	FL
Status	INACTIVE
Last Event	DISSOLVED BY PROCLAMATION
Event Date Filed	05/13/1969
Event Effective Date	NONE

Great information found in public records. Confirms that 2016 was the 65th anniversary of Carter Craft.

I found this confirmation on Florida Business Records Website.

Carter Craft – Tom Bingham



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Last Event	DISSOLVED BY PROCLAMATION
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Event Effective Date	NONE

Carter Boat – James Carter Name Change

Events

CARTER BOATS INC

Document Number	246038
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Effective Date	None
Status	Inactive

Event Type **Filed Date** **Effective Date** **Description**

NAME CHANGE AMENDMENT	10/24/1963		OLD NAME WAS : CARTER -JAS- INC
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