

# Sou Wester

*The Southwest Chapter-Antique & Classic Boat Society serving Arkansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas.*

*A very late Summer/Fall 2015*

## **From the Bow....**

**The Lake LBJ Show...there's so much to say. We could not have** asked for a better way to close-out our show season than with the GREAT boats, people and weather that we had!

Friday started with the lunch at Sunrise Beach. 13 boats were present. This was followed with a Colorado River cruise with six big boats flying up the river.

New this year was the Friday night dinner cruise with a beautiful sunset and good friends. The dinner cruise may become a regular part of this fabulous event.

We had a great turn out on Saturday with 32 boats on display and a good turnout of people throughout the day. Saturday evening, Pam and Scott Reichardt hosted a patio **dinner at their lakeside home. The "Donut Run" was on Sunday** morning with the Frechettes inviting everyone to their place to close out the weekend. Nine boats cruised up and several folks came by car.

**With the holidays just around the corner let's all remember to be** safe and enjoy the fact that we can still go boating while most of the **rest of the country cannot! Don't forget that next year's Keels and Wheel** has move up a week. I hope to see you-all there.

Happy Holidays

Brian & Karen Fielder



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# Hill Country Boat Show

by Robert Black

The 2015 Hill Country Boat Show was likely the best ever.

Scott Reichardt, show chairman, booked the HSB Dining Yacht for a Friday night dinner cruise. It quickly sold out with a waiting list. This was a first, and much anticipated part of the event.





Thirty-two classic boats were on display at the world class Horseshoe Bay Marina. Waterfront restaurants and shops were nearby for the thirsty.







**The Saturday dinner event was held at Scott and Pam's** home in Horseshoe Bay with their usual exceptional hospitality.

David Kanally said a few words about the passing of Bill Baldwin.

Awards were handed out by Brian Fielder and Ed Ueckert.







Thanks to David Kanally, Robert Black, and Craig Stanfield for providing the photos of this splendid event.. We were so lucky to have this before the torrential rains hit Central Texas during the last half of October.















Boat Show events concluded Sunday morning **with donuts at Jim and Cindy Frechett's lake house**; some making the trip by boat, but others by car.



Over 32 boats. North of eighty folks. THAT is an event! Thanks to the Central Texas area folks who put this on, most especially Jim and Cindy Frechette, and Scott and Pam Reichardt.

Thanks also to David Kanally for the outstanding video he produced, including aerial views via drone.







To see pictures from last weekend, see information below.

**David Kanally's video and still photos can be seen**

by accessing the WBA web site or <http://woodenboatassociation.com/photosvideos.html>

Additional Hill Country Boat Show photos can be accessed from the ACBS Southwest Chapter website –Photo Gallery or <http://southwest-acbs.org/PhotoGallery/hillcountry2015.html>





# Cajun Classique 2015



This past April, Doc Elliott and Corey Werk held the second running of the cruise down the Bayou Teche. 5 nights deep in the Cajun backwoods.

Monday, we had the following boats arrive:

**Wayne and Doll's 28' Hugh Saint of Arkansas**

**Bob's 17' Higgins from Houston**  
**Todd, Bob, and Gary's Chris Craft U22 of Wisconsin**

**Theresa and George's 18' Century Sabre of Iowa.**

**Ellery and Raelynn's 18' Century Resorter from Houston.**

Another 10 folks would join the trip, along with 3 more boats later in the week. We stayed the first two nights at the MicroTel in Beaux Bridge and enjoying live music and local delicacies on the **water's edge in downtown Breaux Bridge.**

Tuesday, we repositioned our vehicles 100 miles away in Franklin, enjoyed the rain and local establishments and then partied with Cajun cuisine at the local LA31 brewery







The Legend of the Bayou Teche is a snake so large it stretched from town to town. Boats locking in the many places. Keeping the rain out with a patriotic flair.







Wednesday we toured (by boat) a nature preserve teeming with alligators. Before departure from Breaux Bridge, two locally built Teche-Craft joined the fleet. All the children from the nearby elementary met us when the bridge opened.

Although much rain had fallen, the Teche had little current and almost no debris. The bridge height, however, became a problem for the largest (Hugh Saint 28) boat. Lunch on Wednesday was in the Saint Martinville Historic District.

After touring the historic Catholic church in the square, we re-boarded for New Iberia and the Gugenheim.



We had safe dockage in downtown New Iberia, with dinner on our own.





Thursday was a tour of a rice plant, a botanical garden, and MetalShark Aluminum Boats. This was followed by happy hour **on the Gugenheim's deck overlooking** downtown. The evening buffet was held near the boats at a converted 1930s Ford dealership (now an architectural firm).



Friday dawned beautiful! After provisioning, we left the docks and proceeded to the 53<sup>rd</sup> **governor's** plantation home, dining on freshly caught catfish on his patio.

Due to forecasts of more inclement weather, we declined the plan of going on to Franklin, and pulled out, towing back to the MicroTel in Breaux Bridge. More Cajun music and cuisine!

It was a wet but wonderful week spent in an area that could have been another country!

The next cruise is slated for April 4<sup>th</sup> thru 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016. For information, contact Cory Werk: [cory@cajunclassique.com](mailto:cory@cajunclassique.com)





Dear Friends

We are deeply saddened to report to you the passing of Bill Baldwin in mid October. As many of you were aware, Bill was in the hospital, recovering from surgery related to cancer.



Our friend Bill always described himself as "a simple computer programmer", but we knew that was just the beginning. Bill was a successful science fiction and historical fiction author.

Furthermore, he was the Managing Editor of "The Brass Bell", the official magazine of the Antique Chris Craft Boat Club (probably the finest classic boat publication in the world); and an advocate, promoter and Board Member of the magnificent Lawson Boating Heritage Center on his cherished Chautauqua Lake, NY; and he was also a past president of the WBA (Wooden Boat Association of North Texas), past board member of the SW Chapter of the ACBS, a Director of the Chautauqua Lake Twin-Tier Chapter of the Antique and Classic Boat Society (ACBS), a Founding President Emeritis of the RDC-Triangle (Raleigh-Durham-Chapel-Hill) ACBS Chapter, and a Director of the Chris-Craft Antique Boat Club.

Please keep his wife Pat in your thoughts and prayers.

David Kanally

<http://billbaldwin.us/>



# Trailer Tips



**Children, don't try this at home. And NEVER back a trailer down a ramp when the trailer is longer than the ramp!**

Thank you to Jan Ueckert for documenting the illustrations for this valuable tip at the close of the LBJ Show. In her own words...**Pretty awesome. They managed to jack the trailer up under the water. (and well past the edge of the concrete ramp). They had the Chevy chained to the Ford truck. The two trucks together pulled the trailer out. There was a rope tied to the jack. As soon as the trailer started moving, they pulled the jack out of the way. What a way to end the show!!!!**





# Upcoming Events

As always, recheck before buying flight tickets!

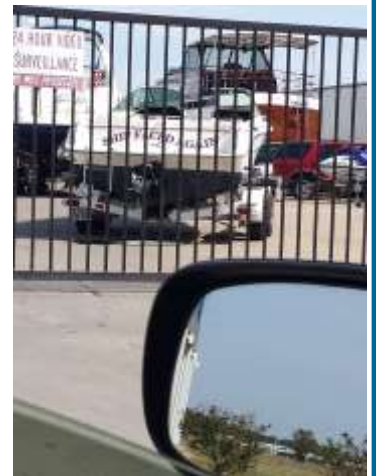
January 8-17, 2016  
Houston Reliant  
Show

February ?, 2016  
Board Meeting

March 18-20, 2016  
Tavares Show

April ,4-9 2016  
Cajun Classique

April 23-24, 2016  
(note new date for 2016)  
Keels and Wheels



## What's in a name?

The good, the bad, and the ugly



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