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Welcome to the latest issue of the CBF Vintage Division's Rooster Tales. A special thank you goes out to all who sent along feedback and words of encouragement. The mailing list is closing in on the century mark so please be sure to share it with your own mailing list of hydro junkies upon receipt.

Summer 2010 flew by and was filled with Vintage events with lots of stories and photos to share. Kudos go out to the Trotter-Hill Vintage Racing Team who represented Canada very well attending countless, I believe 10 is the actual number, events throughout the 2010 season. I had the privilege of launching Wain Trotter in the Specialist at Valleyfield on the Sunday just prior to all the inboard finals and his right foot found some extra weight that day and he put on a great show. For their efforts the Trotter-Hill Vintage Racing Team of Wain Trotter and Michael Hill were awarded the APBA Vintage & Historic Division Rookie of the Year Award. Way to go guys, WELL EARNED!



Valleyfield – 2010 Wain Trotter The Specialist waiting for the green light!

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CBF News

Outboard Rep Named – Well known vintage outboard enthusiast Ghislain Freniere has volunteered to represent the outboard division within CBF Vintage. His experience, knowledge and passion for vintage outboards will be a welcome addition to the team as we continue to build the group. Welcome aboard Ghislain!



Vintage Membership: Please note that membership forms are available on the official web-site of the Canadian Boating Federation for both owner/drivers in addition to crew members for the 2011 season. http://www.cbfnc.ca/formulaires_forms.html

In the inaugural year of the Vintage Division we had sixteen (16) members not including crew which was considered an excellent first step. I encourage you all to join and support the class in 2011 in order to build scale for the division. With scale comes a more impactful voice when it needs to be heard within the CBF. If any of you have any questions regarding CBF Vintage please do not hesitate to contact me. My contact info follows the newsletter.

It's important to note that the CBF offers a cross-over membership for APBA members for only $30.00. Simply check the box beside this rate as an APBA member. While it is not a necessity to be a CBF member while being a current ABPA member, we will welcome the support.

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2011 EVENTS

The event schedule for 2011 has not yet been finalized but a few dates have been published for the following events. Be sure to check out these out as you make your plans for the summer.

BROCKVILLE, Ontario – June 25-26
Bert Henderson and the committee for this regatta in the Thousand Islands have expressed their interest in hosting the vintage division again in 2011. Hopefully "Mother Nature" will cooperate this season. Stay tuned for more info once the official sanction is issued. http://www.brockvillehydroplaneracing.com/index.htm

VALLEYFIELD, Quebec – July 8-10
Ben Lemay leads the vintage group at this famous event. The large hydros put on a great show in 2010 with 6 across taking many back to the heyday of the Grand Prix class in the early 80's.



Marv Hart – Canadian Grand Prix GP-222 gets set for a Vintage GP heat @ Valleyfield

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CROSS LAKE, New York – August 5-7- The Cross Lake event from the venue, to the volunteers to the water was highly praised after the inaugural 2010 event. Here's a link to a news story on the event with some of our very own featured.
http://centralny.ynn.com/content/top_stories/513550/cross-lake-holds-first-ever-vintage-boat-regatta/?ap=1&MP



PICTON, Ontario – August 6-8





Racing Icon Miss Supertest III

Piloted by a mild-mannered chicken farmer from Embro, Ont., Miss Supertest III – the fastest hydroplane powerboat in the world, known to reach speeds of 290 km/hr – became a Canadian icon in 1959 when she claimed victory over American champion Maverick in the challenge for the Harmsworth Trophy on the Detroit River. As it was the first time in 39 years a Canadian entry prevailed over the Americans, the victory marked the end of the American dynasty and the beginning of Canadian dominance in the sport.

As tradition dictates, the challenge for the Harmsworth Trophy takes place in the country of the Harmsworth holder, and so tens of thousands of spectators from both sides of the border flocked to Picton, Ont., in 1960. Among those cheering from the shore were Prime Minister John Diefenbaker, Ontario Premier Leslie Frost and Toronto Mayor Nathan Phillips.

Victorious once again, national heroes Miss Supertest III and driver Bob Hayward were later honoured with a ticker tape parade up Bay Street in Toronto.

Hayward went on to win the Harmsworth once more in 1961; the only three-peat in its history.

In 2011, Canada Post is issuing a commemorative stamp in honour of the 50th anniversary of the world dominance of Miss Supertest.

Miss Supertest III will be on display in the Industry Building at the 2011 Toronto Boat Show.

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MISS SUPERTEST CELEBRATION



August 6 to 8, 2011
in Picton, Ontario

Saturday August 6th

10 am to 8 pm
at the Prince Edward
Community Centre:

Miss Supertest III
and
Race Boats Display

Sunday August 7th

10 am to 8pm
at the Prince Edward
Community Centre:

Miss Supertest III
and
Race Boats Display

Mariner's Memorial
Service with special
segment honouring
driver Bob Hayward

Monday August 8th

10 am
at The Mariners Park
Museum:

Unveiling of Canada
Post's 50th Anniversary
Commemorative Stamp
honouring the Miss
Supertest Team

4 pm at The Regent
Theatre, Picton:

Miss Supertest
documentary premiere
and reception

6 pm at The Prince
Edward Yacht Club:

VIP Dinner

For more information, contact:

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RIDEAU FERRY, Ontario – August 19-21
Scott Cameron and the team from Rideau Ferry have quickly established this event as a must attend. Look for an increased presence of vintage hydros and outboards in 2011. For more info check out the link below.

http://www.vintageraceboatshop.com/RideauFerry-2011.htm

WOLFEBORO, New Hampshire– September 14-17
This venue and event is 1st class so be sure to include it in your Fall plans.
http://www.vintageraceboatshop.com/WolfeboroVintageRegatta-2011.htm



These are just a few events that will grace the summer season. For the full schedule and more info click here. http://www.vintagehydroplanes.com/2011events.html

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EVENT PROMOTION/VOLUNTEERS

We are here to support all local efforts but we really need local volunteers to maximize the potential of future events. Venues of interest include;

Ganonoque, Ontario
Beauharnois – Quebec
Cardinal – Ontario
Belioel - Quebec

If you, or someone you know has an interest in promoting an event please let us know. Just look at what Wheeling has done in such a short amount of time. An awesome event & great for the local economy too!



Photo from Ganonoque - 2010 from Roger Lapierre.

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ROBERT CABANA – 2010 CBF HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

November 13, 2010- at the annual CBF Convention, Robert Cabana was inducted into the CBF Hall of Fame. Robert's career spanned over 20 years, across a multitude of inboard classes, with records, awards, and championships being the end result. The majority of the time Robert raced for owner Paul Demers, who's son Sylvain was crew chief and who currently campaigns on the Vintage circuit in the Lauterbach DESOURDY SPECIAL GP-1. Robert shared the moment with his family and the Demers' by his side.



PROJECT UPDATES

Michael Hill said it best that when you're at events not much can get done in the shop. A few updates to share from those who've emailed me with photos. Check them out and perhaps use them as motivation for a winter full of potential. Again, if you have any project updates, please feel free to send them my way so I can include them in the next newletter. You can email me at vintagehydroscanada@hotmail.com

L'il LIGHTNING S-22

Bob Abbott is almost prepped for painting the L'il Lightning and it will be ready to see the water in 2011. Look for photos in the next Rooster Tales.

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BO'S BACK / GYPSY / EXORCIST



Received a note through Ben Lemay From Richard Sacher who has a Jones 280. With a little digging he was able to identify it as Bo's Back. The more interesting question is how does a vintage hydro end up in Red Deer, Alberta? Anyone with photos or history on this hull please share them as I'm sure Richard would love to hear from you.

CANADA MADE III

Sylvain Demers continues to help with the restoration of Andre L'Heureux's JONES hull that he raced as Canada Maid III. The winter will see the bottom completed and ready for paint. Correct if I'm wrong but this hull was also the famous "Fromage Qui Chante" once driven by Robert Cabana. This is truly a beautiful hull and it will make a great addition to the Canadian vintage fleet.

Sylvain is also working on a Y-Class hydro that he picked up at one of the Clayton Vintage Raceboat Regattas. He's in process of transforming it back to a conventional from a cab-over. We'll be heading back to Sylvain's shop in January to catch up and talk shop.

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Sylvain Demers' shop flipping Canada Made III so they can finish up the bottom

THUNDERBALL – UU16 Ted Boyd



Ted had THUNDERBALL on display at Clayton this past summer with the engines being the last piece of the project. A wonderful resto job and I'm really looking forward to see this on this on the water next summer.

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JENALURE CS-5 Alain Primeau continues to plug away at JENALURE and with the bottom completed, he is now on to the sponsons.



White Lightning CE-54 Paul Poledink sent along some photos of his work on White Lighting CE-54 and has done a great deal of research on her history. Check it out! Sweet!



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That's for the project updates. For those who shared their stories, thank you.

Stay tuned for more next edition. If you would like to share please send photos and text over to me and I will make sure it gets into the next issue.

HYDROPLANES – ONLINE

For those of you who are on Facebook there are a number of different groups related to vintage hydroplanes. There are literally hundreds of photos that are being shared within these fan groups and a great source for those of you looking for pictures of your own hull back in the day. Check them out;

Vintage Hydroplanes – Canada
Lauterbach Custom Boats
Vintage Hydroplane Lovers
The "Miss Supertest" Unlimited Hydroplanes
The Hydroplane and Raceboat Museum
Blue Water Special Racing
Miss Canadiana Racing

Links

www.cbfnc.ca Canadian Boating Federation
www.vintagehydroplanes.com
www.hydroplanequebec.com



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Scenes from the Clayton (‘10)





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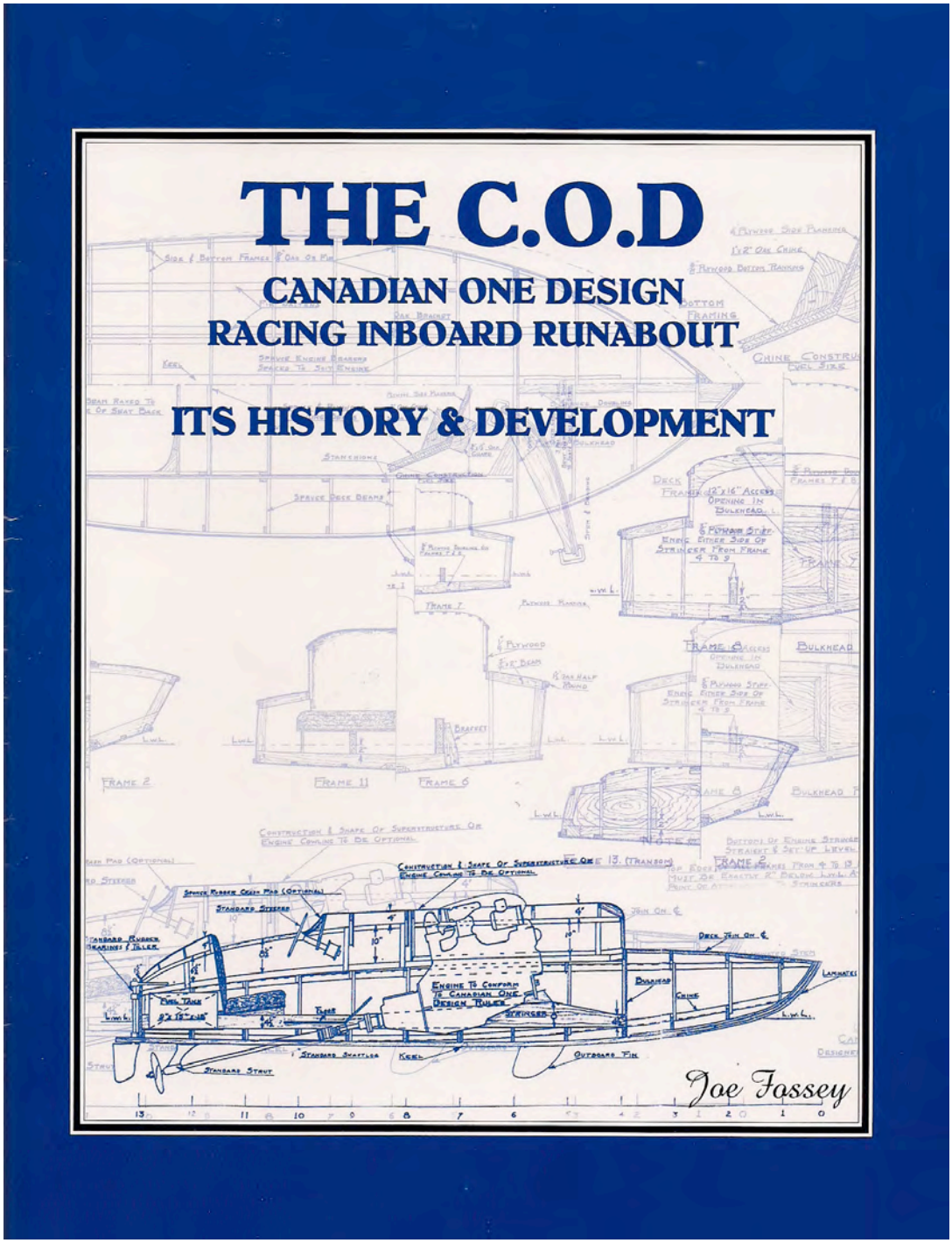
FROM THE BOOKSHELF



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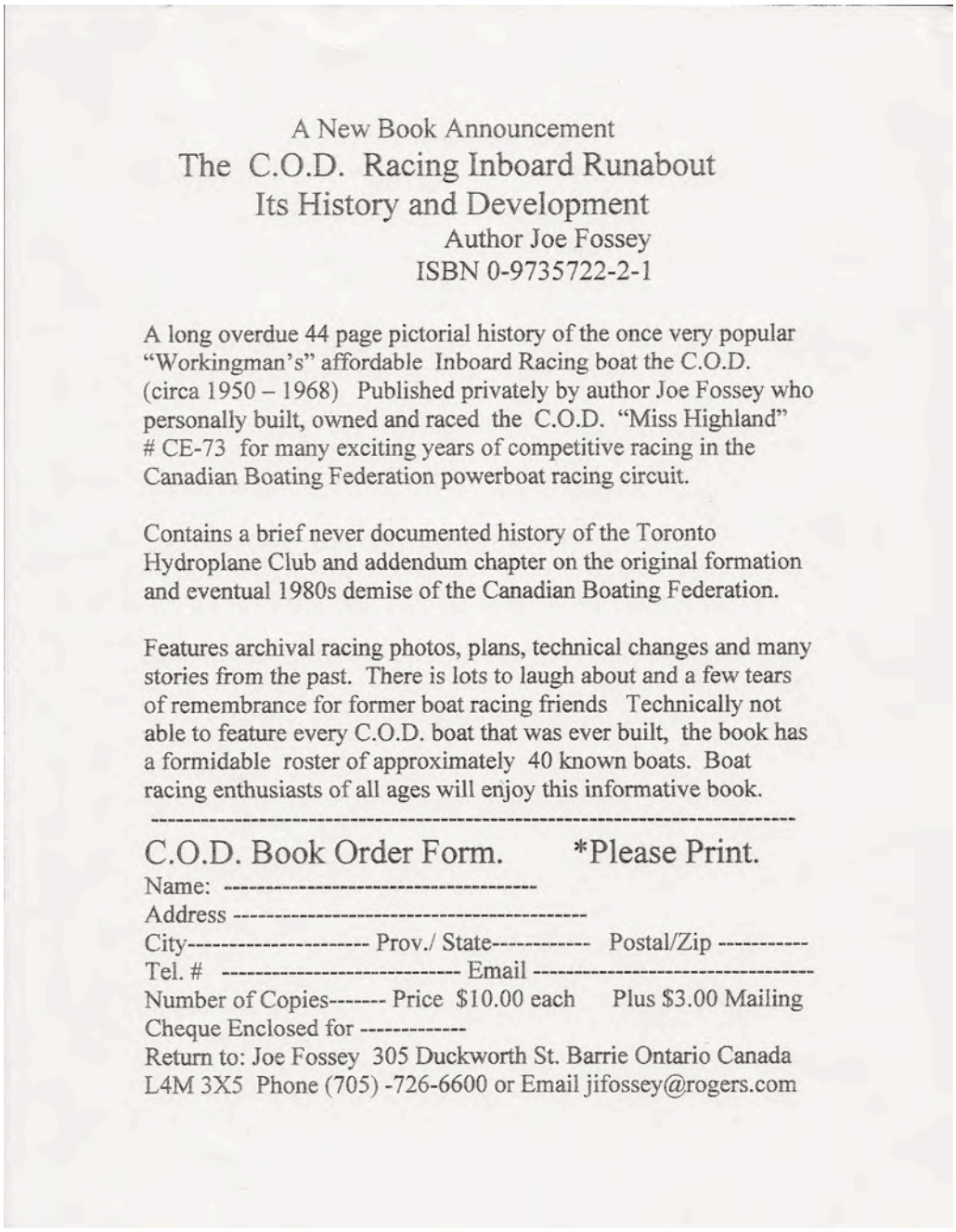
I received a copy of the above book from author Joe Fossey. Simply put a great read. It's filled with photos and stories of the development and history of the class. Thank you Joe for sharing these great stories and images. If you're interested in a copy you can contact Joe Fossey with the order form below.



A New Book Announcement

The C.O.D. Racing Inboard Runabout
Its History and Development

Author Joe Fossey

ISBN 0-9735722-2-1

A long overdue 44 page pictorial history of the once very popular "Workingman's" affordable Inboard Racing boat the C.O.D. (circa 1950 – 1968) Published privately by author Joe Fossey who personally built, owned and raced the C.O.D. "Miss Highland" # CE-73 for many exciting years of competitive racing in the Canadian Boating Federation powerboat racing circuit.

Contains a brief never documented history of the Toronto Hydroplane Club and addendum chapter on the original formation and eventual 1980s demise of the Canadian Boating Federation.

Features archival racing photos, plans, technical changes and many stories from the past. There is lots to laugh about and a few tears of remembrance for former boat racing friends Technically not able to feature every C.O.D. boat that was ever built, the book has a formidable roster of approximately 40 known boats. Boat racing enthusiasts of all ages will enjoy this informative book.

C.O.D. Book Order Form. *Please Print.

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WANTED/FOR SALE

I know there are many of you looking for things related to your project(s) so I will start this one off and let me know what you are looking for and I'm sure there will be many people willing to help in your search.

A lot of people just have stuff in boxes so maybe a little incentive to share it wouldn't hurt…MASSIVE PAY-OUT…this actually works as I was able to locate an original driving suit and crew shirt from PIXIE!

WANTED- PIXIE CS-5 related photos, film, video, programs, pins, crew uniforms or t-shirts. Ross McCracken – vintagehydroscanada@hotmail.com

WANTED- LONG GONE H-4 / MISS OTTAWA GP-21 related photos, film, video, programs, pins, crew uniforms or t-shirts. Ross McCracken – vintagehydroscanada@hotmail.com

The CBF – Vintage Division

If you have any questions regarding the Vintage Division please do not hesitate to contact me. Sylvain Demers is also an excellent resource and official inspector, so if you have questions regarding your hull and motor running the vintage circuit please let Sylvain know.

Ross McCracken – VP CBF Vintage Division
vintagehydroscanada@hotmail.com

Sylvain Demers – Inboard Rep sylvaindemers@sympatico.ca
Ghislain Freniere – Outboard Rep

See you in the pits!

Ross McCracken
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As Scene in the Pits…



Robert Theoret dons the old gear for a photo session with the 444



Sylvain Demers & the DESOURDY SPECIAL crew @ Clayton

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Diane Godin gets help from husband Bob Abbott as she gets set to open the festivities with her first skiff ride on the Sunday @ Valleyfield



Great PR as Gerri Prusko and Bill John take a local TV cameraman for a thrill ride in MY PRECIOUS.