

## NEW HOME FOR ANCIENT OUTBOARDS

A scrap metal dealer came across an old relic of an outboard in 1945, knowing a friend that was a machinist and a boating enthusiast, took the outboard to him, which was Mr. Frank Johnston, this being a challenge, the motor was soon restored. This led to a new life for the almost forgotten outboards. Word soon got around to his many friends and old outboards began coming in. One man having an old motor since new just could not discard it, after purchasing a new outboard. The old motor was taken to Mr. Johnston because this man would give it a home.

Mr. Johnston said, "I always thought I could do a little bit of anything anybody else could do." Believe me, he sure can. He has built everything from lawnmowers to overhauling locomotives.

Many letters have been sent out during the past years to manufacturers, dealers and collectors to obtain the valuable information needed and to obtain rare motors and parts. Mr. Johnston has followed clues that led to old outboards stored in barns and garages.

As these old outboards come in to Mr. Johnston, they are taken to his Foundry and a complete rebuilding job is set forth. When completely restored to a beautiful shiny outboard, it is taken to his home to be placed with the amazing collection of restored outboards in its new home.

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Below is one of the hand made boats Mr. Johnston has built. Shown with a vintage Johnson, which attracts much attention.

