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Front Cover: Walter Weidmann smiles at pretty Miss Susan E. Carlson, then Miss New York State Teenager. Miss Carlson is now First Runner-up, 1973 Miss Universe Contest. Not to be outdone, Phil Kranz and Lisa Wessels nicely frame a trio of restored old-timers.



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# Antique Motors Alotta EASTERN PENNA Regatta

by Bob Grubb

The Eastern Penna. Antique Outboard Meet was held Saturday, Aug. 4, 1973 at the Black Rock Boat Club near Phoenixville, Pa. on the Schuylkill River. We were blessed with a beautiful day.

The meet was scheduled to start at 10:00 AM and shortly thereafter we had thirteen members registered, in addition to Harry Bickel and myself, who held the meet. After a get acquainted and organizing period, we began events with the oldest running motor contest. We had five entries in the contest, ranging from Mark Wright's 1907 Waterman to Bob Zipps' 1925 Johnson AB25 which had just returned from starring in the movie "The Great Gatsby". For a while it looked like the winner would be Tom Luce's perfect 1915 Ferro; Mark Wright had a problem when his Waterman kicked and threw the crank into seven feet of water. Through some frantic diving and the use of a magnet, the crank was retrieved and shortly thereafter the incredible Waterman came to life and ran the course to take the trophy.

After returning from our lunch break, we held judging for Mint Condition Motor. Here I was sorry that I had only one trophy to give and the tough decision went to Tom Luce for his 1915 (or earlier) Ferro.

Most Unusual Motor judging was next and this went to Tony Caglione for his Bendix Electric which is complete with original carton and manuals.

We next held predicted log races. The course was adjusted in size, according to motor size and contestants had to guess how long it would take them to start from the shore and get in their boats, start their motors, and run the course sans watches.

First and second place trophies were given out for three races. First place trophies went to Milt Moos using a 3½ hp Elto, Tony Caglione using a 10 hp Indian, and Marc & Bill Buff who were guests of Mark Wright using a IA38 Neptune. Second place trophies went to Galloway Morris with a 1922 model A Johnson which is completely original and has been in his family since new, to Bob Zipps using his Johnson AB25, and to Milt Moos using a P30 Johnson.

Tony Caglione turned in the best overall performance in these races, with a guess of twelve minutes and an actual time of eleven minutes and 50 seconds.

One casualty in these races was Bob Zipps' 13 hp S-70 Johnson, which was the fastest motor run at the meet. It stopped dead in mid-course and he had to be towed back. Bob had it running like a top later, however, after he discovered a bad spark plug.

Tom Luce gave us a dazzling demonstration of speed with his ½ hp Elto Cub. He predicted a time for the event of 32 minutes, 30 seconds and actually ran the course in an incredible 24 minutes, 45 seconds to be the farthest off his guess of anyone who competed.

We also were treated to a very nice display by Willard Linkroum running a 1925 Caille Liberty Twin.

The predicted log races concluded the day's planned events. During the course of the day many motors and parts were traded. I know I had a good time holding the meet and I believe everyone who attended enjoyed themselves. I will try to do it again next year and I hope you will be there.

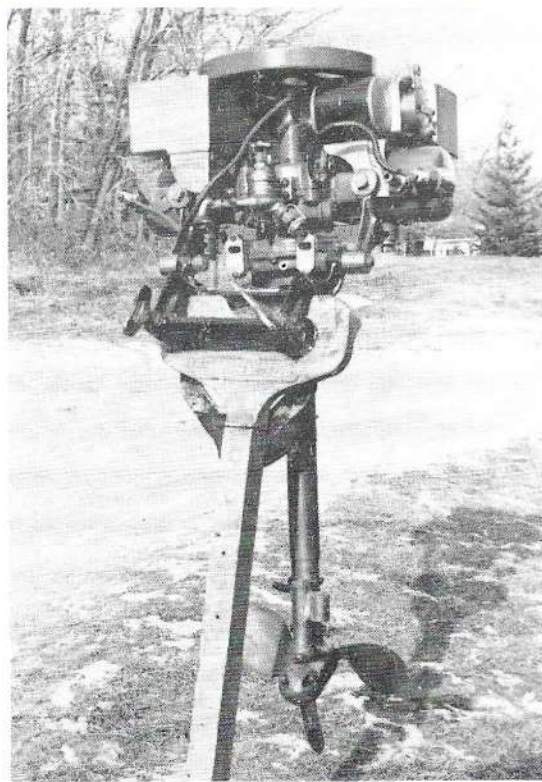
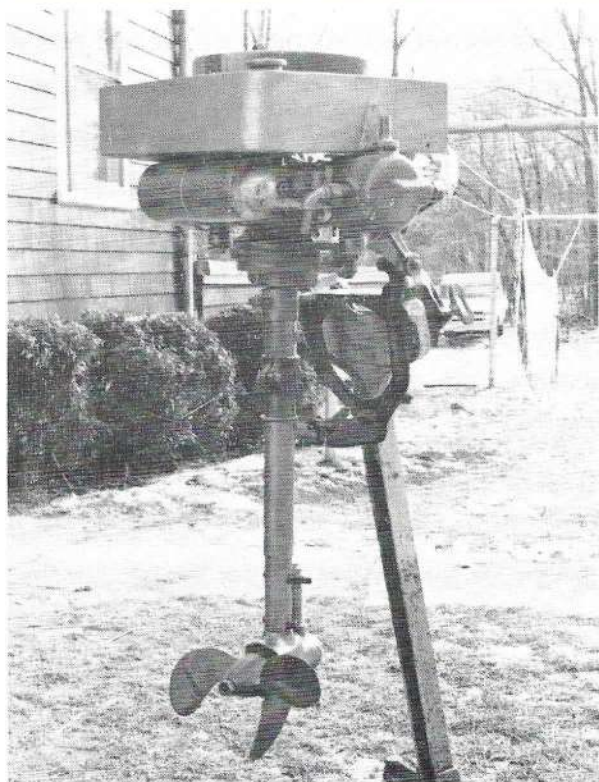
Members attending were:  
Willard Linkroum  
Bob Zipps  
Dr. L. C. Craver  
Phil Kranz

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**COMMENTS FROM THE  
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No specific article about the Indian outboard motor appeared within the pages of the January 1974 issue of The Antique Outboarder. Actually, I had to read this issue very carefully to find anything written about the rare outboards at all, but determination led me to page 37 where Tony Caglione won a first place trophy with his Indian in a predicted log race. Other than that, nothing was mentioned about an Indian; however, the front cover shows a photo of a beautiful young lady accompanied by Walt Weidmann and his early version of the 1930 Indian Silver Arrow outboard motor. Even the photo's description inside the front cover makes no mention of the outboard. It's hard to compete with Miss New York State Teenager. Go figure.



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