

MYSTERY BOAT

...A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

(Continued from Page 2.) though he had seen the boat in the early forties before he went to war. It is wooden, has been fiberglassed, and has brass fittings and bolts throughout. The owner told me that he never altered the lines of the boat, that they are in essence the lines drawn by the boat designer. It is over 30 feet in length. The motor has long since been removed, in any case it was not original. We are at a certain loss as what to do to restore the boat and hopefully set it on its next one hundred year course. Can you forward this email to anyone that might add to our knowledge of the boat, and give some guidance as how to not to do any damage?"

In a subsequent email the owner went on to say, "We salvaged this wooden gig (so we are told that it is a gig.) after admiring it for a couple of years prior to its submersion. We live in a small pristine coastal county (without a red traffic light) and the boat has become a center point for conversation and visitation. We now have it up on the hill and are at a loss what to do next. The barnacles have been removed, the glassed over portions lightly sanded. All the fittings are brass. We were told by the prior owner that it dates from the 1900 – 1910. We are not knowledgeable enough (actually not knowledgeable at all) to determine the accuracy of that claim. Our sole expertise as boat people is our ownership of a dilapidated shrimp dock. And the only contribution we can make to the boat's preservation is to provide a place to put it. Pretty sorry don't you think? We would be grateful for any information that could help us identify the boat, or aid in its restoration as we have a very soft spot for the boat. She has been called the Granny and is well known throughout McIntosh County, Georgia."



GRANNY -- CAPTAIN'S GIG FROM THE LUCITANIA ?

"...we believe it was a captain's gig. It has apparatus for the boat to be lifted... We've been told it is made of black cyprus. The biggest yarn we've heard is that it is one of two gigs from the LUCITANIA. We'd love to find out it is true!"

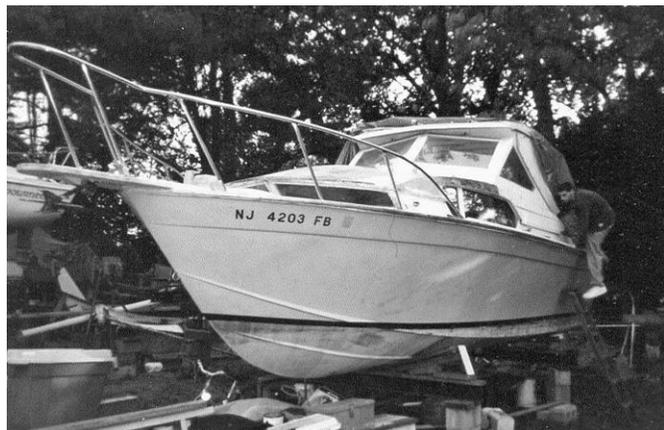


1970 JERSEY FLYBRIDGE SEDAN 30'. Beam: 10'. Draft: 3'. Fiberglass hull. Lots of room below bridge with a step-down galley and dinette. Twin 360 cu.in. fwc Chrysler inboards. Solid hull built by New Jersey Boat Works. Needs some TLC, engines strong but are in need of some repairs. Make an offer. Asking: reduced to \$5500 or best offer. Located Fall River, **MA**. Contact George at Outrigger Yacht Sales at (877) 618-4283 or email gemml3@aol.com



1959 INTERNATIONAL SLOOP 31' -- WILLOW

1959 INTERNATIONAL SLOOP 31'. Designed by Robert Henry, built by DeDood, Bremen, Germany. Owner says, "WILLOW is a fine example of the racer-cruisers popular under the CCA racing rule of the Fifties and Sixties, which created wholesome, able, and fast family boats. I acquired her in 1993, and my family enjoyed cruising aboard her for nearly a decade, before time demands kept me from giving her the attention she deserved. She has been ashore for five years now, and is in need of some serious cosmetic attention, and a bit of structural work. Hull Construction: African mahogany on steam-bent white oak, extensively sistered during professional refit in 1992. New white oak wood keel and floor timbers in 1992, with new bronze ballast keel bolts. All bronze fastened ... in excellent condition. Cabin trunk: African mahogany sides, canvas-covered spruce top on laminated larch beams. In need of repair and refinishing. Sleeps four in two cabins, separate enclosed head." Asking: \$7000. Contact Bob at stephensbtmk@verizon.net or 207-374-2983 **(ME)**



1970 CHRIS CRAFT CATALINA 26' CABIN CRUISER

1970 CHRIS CRAFT CATALINA 26'. 10' beam. Owner says, "Hard top covers half of 10' x 10' cockpit. Nice walkaround deck 10" width that newer boats don't have. Rebuilt 350 Chevy motor, never fired, needs to be hooked up. Fiberglass hull very good. Wood upper structure needs some work. Nothing that a handy guy couldn't handle in a couple of weekends. Boat is a project, but a classic cruiser for the right person. Located in Philadelphia (PA) on the Delaware River. Can load onto any trailer. Make offer. \$4000 invested so far." Contact Dave at 215-520-9505 or Dave54U@yahoo.com.

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