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**Wooden Boat News**  
 Look Aft and Learn

**Twillingate  
 Partnership**

The Wooden Boat Museum of Newfoundland and Labrador has partnered with Twillingate Isles Historic Vessels Inc. to conserve, exhibit and transmit the knowledge of building and using wooden boats in Notre Dame Bay.

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Boat Models built by Harry Pardy.  
 Fishing Stage model built by Lorne Diamond

The Isles Wooden Boat Builders Exhibit, launched on June 17, 2017 at St. Peter's Parish Hall in Twillingate, highlights some of the historic fishing boats used throughout Newfoundland and Labrador. The Exhibit also includes artifacts reflecting our seafaring history and models made by local builders. The workshop on the upper level displays full-size boats in an active workspace where the boat building process is demonstrated.

New content featuring boat builders interviewed during WBMNL's 2014 Documentation Project in Twillingate will be added for 2018 season.



Boat Building display / workshop –  
 Upper level, Parish Hall



Wooden Boat  
Museum  
of Newfoundland  
and Labrador

The Wooden Boat Museum of Newfoundland and Labrador archives, conserves, exhibits and transmits our wooden boat history and its contribution to the province's economy and way of life.

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#### Website:

[www.woodenboatnl.com](http://www.woodenboatnl.com)

#### Membership:

Individual membership is \$30 and includes unlimited free admission to the Wooden Boat Museum in Winterton for one year (and 10 per cent discount on guest admissions); 10 per cent discount at the museum store in Winterton; and free subscription to Wooden Boat News.

For information on other membership categories and benefits, contact Beverley King. Phone 709-583-2070 or email [bkingheritage@gmail.com](mailto:bkingheritage@gmail.com).

#### Newsletter:

Wooden Boat News is published four times a year. Members contribute most of the information and photos for this publication.

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# Annual Wooden Boat Conference September 8-10, 2017 **Over the Horizon - 20 Years and Growing**

The Wooden Boat Museum of Newfoundland and Labrador kicked off its Annual Wooden Boat Conference with a Meet and Greet on Friday evening at the Museum in Winterton. The Heritage Societies from Hant's Harbour, New Perlican and Heart's Content were invited to join us in celebrating our 20th Anniversary.



Meet & Greet

Saturday's sessions began with a presentation from Crystal Braye highlighting the past 20 years of our Museum and where we hope to go in the future, including a sneak peek at our new exhibit "People and Place" to be unveiled in 2018. Jim Dempsey followed with an update on our partnership with Parks Canada and an overview of our 2017 Workshop Program. Jeremy Harnum and Jerome Canning ended the morning session with a staged interview with boat builder Lloyd Boone from Point of Bay.

The afternoon sessions began with Show and Tell, followed by presentations by Doris Short and Fran Pelley from the Willow Tree Heritage Society in Hant's Harbour, Eileen Matthews from Heritage New Perlican and Ed Arnott from Mizzen Society, Heart's Content. Saturday concluded with a home cooked dinner at the New Perlican Recreation Centre and a concert featuring Cellar Door, Outport Ways and Wayne Button at the Heart's Content Regional Arts Center.



Show & Tell Demonstrations



Swinging the Dividers –  
One activity in the Spilling Process  
to fit a plank

On Sunday, the rainy weather interfered with our Boats in the Harbour plans, but we moved things into the Museum and Boat Shed and learned about knots, hand planes and drawknives, and hung a plank on the Marcus French rodney.

Many thanks to all those who made our conference a huge success! Special thanks to Nat & Jane Ann's, Winterton Recreation Committee and Scalliwags for preparing and serving all the delicious food over the weekend.

Next year's 2018 conference will take place in Twillingate in late September!

# Booklet Launch: Celebrating our Boats and Builders

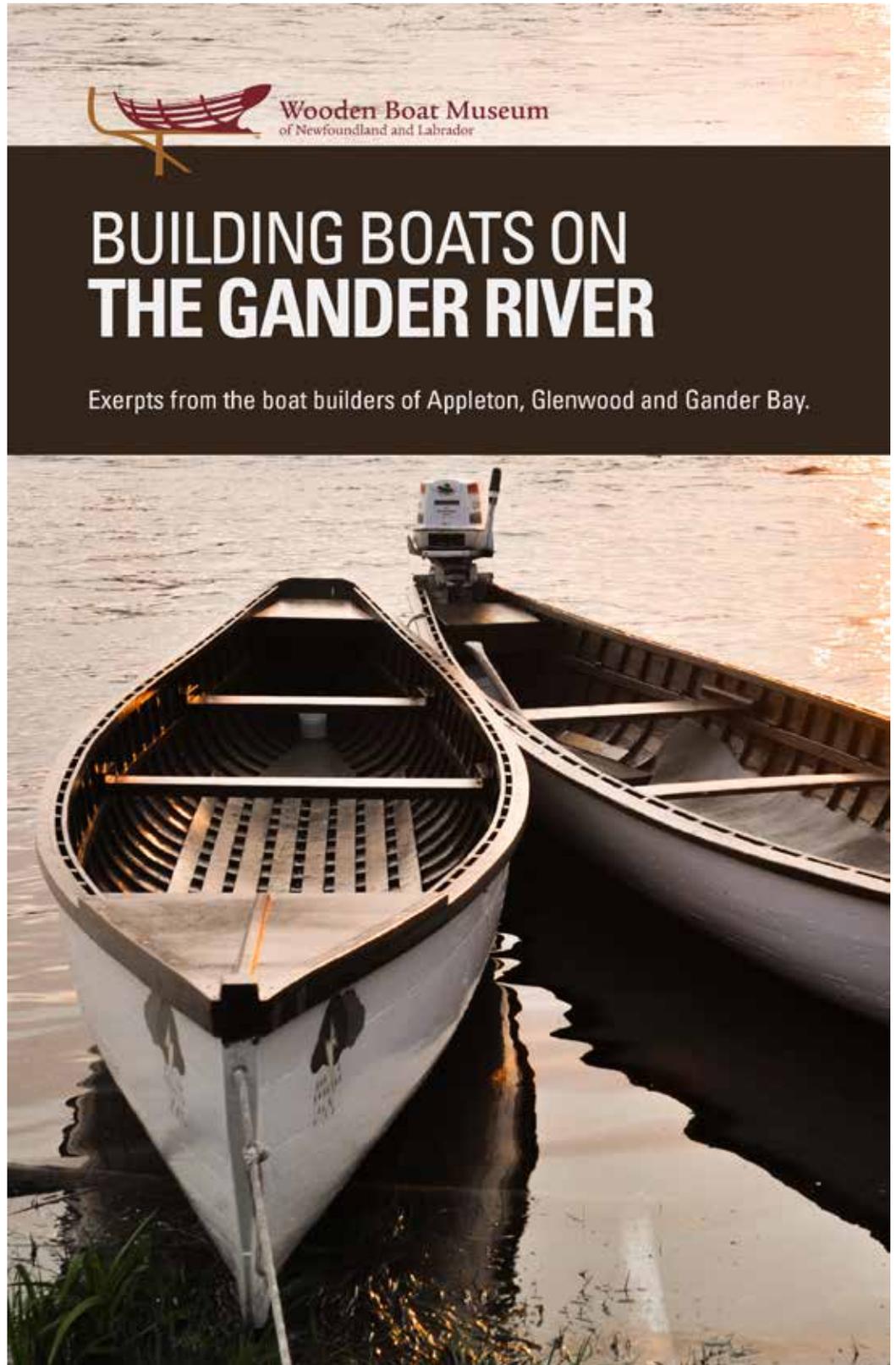
The Wooden Boat Museum is excited to announce our upcoming booklet series based on the work of our folklore documentation program. Three regional booklets have been created highlighting the boats and builders from around our island. The content, collected between 2012 and 2016 during field work, involved interviewing builders, lifting lines from boats and photography. Our booklets strive to tell the stories of building and using wooden boats on the waters in and around the island.

**Three regions have been highlighted for this series.**

- Boats on the Gander River
- Dories in the Bay of Islands
- Boats on the Eastport Peninsula

Each booklet is regionally unique. Learn about the design and construction of each boat and the regional variances that make each boat unique. Recount memories with builders like Basil Gillingham of George's Point, Gander Bay, who builds the Gander River Boat. "My father used to build boats and that's how I came to learn. The first boat I built I was sixteen years old," he says. "I sold it for \$50; for a brand new boat. They weren't worth much money then. They're worth a couple thousand dollars now."

**Booklets will be for sale early in 2018 and will be available for purchase online.**



# Out and About

## “Only a Boat” Fundraising Dinner and Auction

The Wooden Boat Museum of Newfoundland and Labrador needs all hands to haul hard! Come and bring your friends. For the first time, there is a rare chance to win an amazing AmaWaterways 7 day - “Enchanting Rhine” River Cruise. All ticket buyers can be winners with a great exclusive rate on their own river cruise that will be offered at the event. This cruise will include an excursion to the amazing National Maritime Museum in Amsterdam.



If you can't join us for the memorable evening, we would appreciate your support in other ways - monetary donations to help with the cost of hosting the event, items for our live and silent auctions, and raffle prizes. To purchase tables, or tickets, or to make a donation of items or money, please call **Beverley at (709) 583-2070** or email [inquiries@woodenboatmuseum.com](mailto:inquiries@woodenboatmuseum.com).

### ONLY A BOAT...

**Wooden Boat Museum's Fundraising Dinner & Auction**  
Holiday Inn, St. John's - Saturday, February 24, 2018  
6:30 PM – Reception/Cash Bar & Viewing of Auction Items  
7:30 PM Dinner (Pan Fried Cod)  
*An alternate of Stuffed Chicken Breast available upon request.*

### Tickets

- Individual \$120 (with a \$60 tax receipt)
- Corporate Tables of 8 for \$960, or 10 for \$1,200
- Early Bird Discount – Purchase your tickets before December 31st and receive a 10% Discount!

**Oh, it's to me, Johnny Poker, Another jit will do 'er;  
And it's to me, Johnny Poker, Haul, boys, haul.**



# Merry Christmas!



On Behalf of the  
Wooden Boat Museum of Newfoundland and Labrador, its employees,  
members, sponsors and Board of Directors we want to wish you and yours a very  
*Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Prosperous 2018.*

## Look Aft and Learn is Our Motto

Seafarers commonly say “look aft” to mean look behind, to the rear and the wake of the vessel. As a wooden boat museum, we feel it is a fitting expression that shows our commitment to looking to our history and heritage as a means of learning for the future.



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