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***Boat Buzz* discussion forum is now online**

The official web-based discussion forum of the *Chris-Craft Antique Boat Club* is online and growing. Taking part in *Boat Buzz* discussion is a benefit of membership in our club. Guests may freely browse topics to learn more about the activities of our organization.

Registering as a new user

You will need to register as a new user on *Boat Buzz*. The new user registration page can be reached at <http://www.chris-craft.org/discussion/profile.php?mode=register>. Once you load the *Boat Buzz* home page via the link above, you will see a “Register” link at the top of the page. Click on this link and fill out the member profile form. The only things that you need to concern yourself with are user name, password and location. The fields for ICQ Number, AIM Address and MSN Messenger are for more advanced users that want their chat address published. Please disregard these fields if they are confusing to you as they don’t affect the functionality of *Boat Buzz*.

After you are registered as a new user, you can bookmark <http://chris-craft.org/discussion/> as your *Boat Buzz* start page.

How to set the time on your profile page

On the profile page, you will see a field for “Timezone” under which there is a drop-down menu labeled GMT -X or +X. GMT stands for Greenwich Mean Time—each of us lives in a GMT zone also known as Eastern Time, Central Time, etc.

You can visit this page, <http://www.greenwichmeantime.com/time-zone/usa/> to learn more about GMT. Click on the state or country that you live in for information about your proper GMT time setting. This is a fairly important thing to get right if you want your posts to reflect the correct time.

Questions

Once you have registered as a new user, you can click the “FAQ” link at the top of the page if you have questions. Everything that you need to know is there.

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Email notifications

Many of you prefer to be notified of new *Boat Buzz* posts via email. *Boat Buzz* features a couple of email notification settings:

1. When you make a new post, you have the option to automatically receive a notification to your email address as soon as your post receives a reply. If you would like to enable this notification, click the “*Notify me when a reply is posted*” option. You will find this option at the bottom of New Message page.
2. You can also receive daily or weekly digests of all forum activity. Click the “*Digests*” link at the top of the Boat Buzz home page to configure your digest settings. You will be receive a daily/weekly digest at the time of your choosing directly to your email account.

Enhancements

We are currently working on other enhancements to Boat Buzz. We will be offering a photo upload feature in the near future. Also on the to-do list is a spell-check feature.

Old Memberclicks posts

Once you log in and start browsing topics you will see quite a number of posts from user, “*Club Archivist*.” These posts are actually reposts of old Memberclicks discussions. Currently our plans are to repost content back to the beginning of 2003.

An important place to be

We would like to encourage you all members to participate in the *Boat Buzz* discussions. And we sincerely welcome new members who wish to take part in our club. It is our goal to make *Boat Buzz* the most active and valuable Chris-Craft discussion forum on the web. Please spread the word.

Thank you very much for your continued support of the Chris-Craft Antique Boat Club. As always, I am here if you need to contact me or if you are having any problems with the registration process.

Sincerely,

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