**Boating History Talks -- June 14 & 15, 2024**

*The Antique and Classic Boat Festival presents:*

**FISHING CLASSICS**

Celebrating Vintage Sport and Commercial Fishing Boats

*Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, St. Michaels, MD*

**Friday, June 14:**

11:00 AM  
“Secrets to Preparing and Cooking Chesapeake Fish and Shellfish”  
Special Seminar by John Whitman, Retired Chef and Restaurateur

12:00 Noon  
“Vintage and Effective Fishing Lures for Bayside Angling”  
Captain John Whitman of Charter Boat *Patent Pending* & Lure Manufacturer

1:00 PM  
“Saving Classic Cruisers with Today’s Composites, including Wooden Ryboviches”  
A “How-To” Lecture by Reid Bandy, Boatbuilder and Restorer

2:00 PM  
“Love Those Lymans – Why Fishermen Prefer Lapstrakes”  
Presentation by Hank Reiser, President of Marine Services, Pocahontas Marina

3:00 PM  
“Chasing Crabs & Rockfish, Tonging Oysters – The Chesapeake Motor Deadrise from 1900 to 2000”  
With Pete Lesher, Chief Historian and Ambassador at Large, CBMM

**Saturday, June 15:**

10:00 AM  
“Hemingway to Hepburn: How America ‘Invented’ Sportfishing (and Sportfishermen Boats)”  
With Jeff Beard, Member of the National Maritime Historical Society

11:00 AM  
“Fishing on the Chesapeake – from Native Americans to the One-Lungers”  
History and Culture by Eastern Shore Storyteller Joe Paden

12:00 Noon  
“Collecting Classic Rods & Reels, plus Fishing Accessories”  
Featuring Doug Whittington, VP of ORCA (Old Reel Collectors Association)

1:00 PM  
“A Fine Pedigree: Amazing History of Boston Whaler from the 1950s to 1980s”  
Special presentation by Jeff Rohlfing, Founder of *Everything Boston Whaler*
2:00 PM  “Early Classic Center Console Boats of the 20th Century -- Mako, Aquasport, Boston Whaler, Crosby, SeaCraft, Bertram, Chris-Craft, Shamrock + Others” with Gary Van Tassel, Marine Engineer; and Jeff Beard, Antique & Classic Boat Society

3:00 PM  “Who Built the Finest Mid-Century (1930s-1970s) Sportfishing Boats? The Best Center Consoles?” Join our Panel of special guests, including Jeff Smith (Egg Harbor); Bill McFann (Hatteras); Jeff Beard (Chris-Craft); Reid Bandy (Rybovich); Jeff Rohlfing (Boston Whaler) + other great boats and knowledgeable experts!

Boating History Talks are FREE to all Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum Members, Antique Boat Festival Participants, and Visitors Who Have Paid Admission to the Museum Grounds.