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New England Vintage Boat and Car Auction To Feature Unique Items

Wolfeboro, NH--July 7, 2021--This year's annual New England Vintage Boat and Car Auction on July 17 is shaping up to be one of the best with unique items expected to draw bidders from across the region and nation.

"The auction will be held in-person at the Nick Recreation Center in Wolfeboro and will feature a virtual component where people can bid online," said Martha Cummings, executive director of the New Hampshire Boat Museum (NHBM).

Proceeds from the event benefit NHBM's educational programs and preservation efforts.

Some of the featured items available at this year's auction include a 1954 22 ft. Chris-Craft Sportsman U22, 1960's 17 ft Johnson boat, 21 ft Lyman Islander Inboard, and more.

According to Betsy Farley, who co-chairs the auction with Hunt Leavitt, another boat that will attract attention is a Gambit Iceboat.

"It is in fantastic condition, and it is a 2 person iceboat, which is very rare and so much more fun," she noted. "It is very unique."

Leavitt said they have boats of the sailboat variety, too, including everything from Sunfishes and hobbyist to racers.

"There are boats in the auction from stunning museum pieces to do it 'yourselves,'" he said. "There is something for everyone."

Boats and cars will be displayed on museum grounds for the general public to view on July 15 and 16 from noon to 5 p.m. An additional preview showing will take place from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 17 followed by live bidding at 10 a.m. Registration is free.

Online bidding can take place beginning July 8, as the auction will be virtually available through the NHBM website at nhbm.org. In addition to the auction, NHBM will sponsor music night at Cate Park in Wolfeboro on Friday, July 16 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Founded in 1992 by antique and classic boating enthusiasts, NHBM is committed to inspire people of all ages with an understanding of, and appreciation for, the boating heritage of New Hampshire's fresh waterways. NHBM is sponsored this year in part by Goodhue Boat Company,

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