

# N E W H A M P S H I R E BOAT MUSEUM

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## Busy September for NH Boat Museum

Wolfeboro, NH--September 7, 2021--In September, the New Hampshire Boat Museum (NHBM) will host a number of events to conclude a successful and busy 2021 season, highlighted by its biennial Vintage Race Boat Regatta.

Featuring dozens of vintage boats, including small outboards, Grand Prix hydroplanes, Jersey Skiffs and Gold Cup racing boats, the Regatta is a free spectator event that takes place on Wolfeboro Bay, September 17 and 18. The Regatta also features evening events for the public, including a Cocktail Party on Friday, September 17 and an Awards Dinner Fall Social takes place on Saturday, September 18 under a large tent outside NHBM.

“These are great opportunities to meet the drivers who come from throughout the nation to compete in this exciting event,” said NHBM Executive Director Martha Cummings.

While it will close on Columbus Day in October, NHBM will continue, however, to offer digital learning opportunities through its Virtual Lecture Series. Featuring former Olympians and renown authors, the Series explores the sport of rowing and crew from many perspectives.

“This is your chance to learn about the diversity that is emerging in this sport and how it reflects and reinterprets American culture,” added Cummings. “Our exhibits and programs are increasingly developed with diversity in mind.”

Scheduled for Thursday, September 23 at 7 p.m., NHBM’s next lecture will feature Wolfeboro, New Hampshire native Hilary Gehman, two-time Olympian (2000 & 2004) and six-time National Team member.

“We are thrilled to have Hillary join us for this year’s exciting lecture series,” said Cummings.

In addition to its own programs and events, NHBM is working to promote hydroplane racing through a partnership with the South Shore Outboard Association (SSOA).

“We will be in attendance at SSOA’s Kingston Sprint Cup Invitational on September 25 - 26 in Kingston, New Hampshire,” said Cummings. “Our broader goal at the museum is to encourage people of all ages to not only enjoy the state’s fresh waterways, but appreciate their importance as a natural and economic resource.”

Hosted by the Kingston Children’s Center, the Granite State Title Series & Sprint Cup Invitational will feature small outboard hydroplane racing “at its best.”

“The SSOA event is great fun to watch for the whole family,” said Cummings. This event is truly a race whereas our Regatta is a live exhibition.”

Cummings expressed gratitude for those who have supported NHBM this season.

“This has been an incredible year, and we are so thankful for all those who continue to support our mission, including our sponsors, members and individual donors,” she added.

Founded in 1992 by vintage boating enthusiasts, NHBM is sponsored this year in part by Goodhue Boat Company, Eastern Propane & Oil, Meredith Village Savings Bank, FL Putnam, Stark Creative, Bank of New Hampshire, and NH Humanities. To learn more about NHBM, visit [nhbm.org](http://nhbm.org).

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