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A MARINE SURVEY, conducted solely and exclusively for:

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**Vessel Surveyed:** "MERCURY MAID," a 1932 Ventnor Hydro 16 Gentleman's Racer

State Registration Number: MC 0108 HW

**Date of Survey:** June 14, 2023



Survey Conducted By: Capt. John C. Finney, AMS® Marine Surveyor Master Mariner Society of Accredited Marine Surveyors®



#### **CONDITIONS OF SURVEY:**

This vessel was randomly tested and examined in all accessible areas consisting of main strength members. Testing and examination was performed by probing, hammering, sounding, and visual inspections employing non-destructive testing and monitoring equipment. The vessel was examined as presented, without shifting of heavy interferences or secured partitions, etc. This survey was conducted on Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, commencing at 2:00 PM. The vessel "MERCURY MAID," a 1932 Ventnor Hydro 16 Gentleman's Racer, was seen and examined at Stan Craft Marine Services, Hayden, Idaho. The vessel was seen ashore. Underwater surfaces, structures, and fittings were sighted and examined.

The findings of the survey are as described in the following sections. The user of this survey report is advised that this is a limited report. It is limited by the inspection process, manner of presentation of the vessel for inspection, and the possibility of latent conditions. Not all conditions may be uncovered or found. Accordingly, no guarantee or warranty whatsoever is given, or made. It is further expressly stated, and to be understood, that this signing Surveyor, his organization or its employees, jointly or severally, do not accept any responsibility for damage or defects or deterioration not found or discovered during the course of inspection.

#### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:**

This classic wooden boat was built for racing. It has an experimental "step" hull. Powered by a 283 c.i. V8 inboard engine, the boat is intended for pleasure use on protected inland waters.

#### **VESSEL PARTICULARS:**

Name of Vessel: MERCURY MAID

Type: RACING RUNABOUT

Builder: VENTNOR BOAT WORKS

Model: 2-STEP HYDRO

Year Built: 1932 Where Built: ATLANTIC CITY, NJ

LOA: 16' 00" Beam: 5' 00"

Displacement: 1800 LBS

Hull Color: NATURAL MAHOGANY
Hull Identification Number (HIN): NOT SIGHTED

**Registration Number:** MC 0108 HW

Engine/Type: MARINE GASOLINE INBOARD ENGINE

Model: CHEVY 283

**Serial Number: NOT SIGHTED** 

**Engine Hours: NO METER SIGHTED** 

**Propeller:** 

# Blades: 3 Dia: 13" Pitch: 15"

#### **SURVEY FINDINGS:**

#### **<b>EXTERIOR HULL:**

The exterior hull of this boat is made from natural mahogany, carvel plank construction, with appropriate bronze/copper fasteners. The bottom has been completely sealed with Epoxy. No fasteners were pulled at the time of the survey. The hull is a two-step hull and was found in good serviceable condition.









Material Condition: GOOD
Through-hull Fittings: GOOD

Propellers: SINGLE, 3-BLADE BRONZE

Propeller clearance: GOOD
Propeller shafts: GOOD
Struts: GOOD

Rudders: SINGLE EXTERNAL SPADE RUDDER, TRANSOM

**MOUNTED** 

Rudder bearings: GOOD

# **♥DECK:**

The deck of this boat is also made from natural mahogany. The deck was found in good serviceable condition.





Material Condition: GOOD

Hull-to-deck Connection: SCREWED WITH APPROPRIATE BRONZE

Hatches, external: ENGINE HATCHES MID DECK

## **♥BRIDGE/COCKPIT:**

The cockpit is located aft on this boat, with helm on the port side.







Material Condition: GOOD

Engine controls: GOOD, THROTTLE ON STEERING WHEEL

Steering: GOOD, OUTBOARD RUDDER

## **®ENGINE COMPARTMENT:**

The engine compartment is located forward of the cockpit. The space is accessed by lifting of two hatch lids. There is ample space for access to all critical components.

Stringers/engine beds: GOOD
Through-hulls, internal: BRONZE
Hoses: GOOD
Valves: GOOD
Ventilation: GOOD
Fire extinguishing system: NO

## **PROPULSION MACHINERY:**

This boat is powered by a 283 c.i. Chevy/GM V8 marine gasoline engine. The engine was not operated at the time of the survey, as the boat was in the shop for refurbishment.





Installation: GOOD General condition: GOOD

Age of Unit: UNKNOWN
Last Overhaul: UNKNOWN

Engine Cooling System: RAW WATER COOLED

Engine Exhaust System: WATER COOLED

Engine mounts: GOOD Compartment blower: YES

Additional ventilation: NATURAL

# **⊗**FUEL:

Type: GASOLINE
Tank material: ALUMINUM
Mounting: CLAMPED

Electrical bonding: YES
Hoses: GOOD
Valves: GOOD

Number of Fuel tanks: ONE Capacity: NOT DETERMINED

## **BELECTRICAL SYSTEM:**

The electrical system on this boat is a 12v DC based system, with power coming from a single group 24 12v DC battery. The battery is located in the engine compartment, on the starboard side.

Shore power: NO
Ship's power: 12v DC
Battery mounting: BOXED
Wiring: GOOD

# **®NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT:**

This boat is equipped with USCG approved navigation lights required on a vessel of this size and type.

Navigation lights: USCG APPROVED

Port: GOOD Stb: GOOD Bow: GOOD Stern: GOOD

## **♥REQ'D U.S.C.G. EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT & WARNING LABELS:**

PFD's: YES Type: TYPE II SIGHTED

Signals: NOT SIGHTED

Horn: YES

Oily Discharge Placard: NOT SIGHTED Plastics Disposal Placard: NOT SIGHTED Fire extinguishers: NOT SIGHTED

## **®RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The following recommendations are based on this surveyor's professional opinion and personal experience:

- 1. INSTALL FIRE EXTINGUISHER IN COCKPIT
- 2. OBTAIN AND DISPLAY OIL POLLUTION PLACARD
- 3. MAINTAIN PFD IN MORE ACCESSIBLE LOCATION



Photo of State Registration Number: MC 0108 HW

#### **VALUATION:**

The goals of a C&V (condition and value) marine survey are two-fold. First and foremost, is to ensure that the vessel being surveyed is suitable for it's intended use, and to attempt to identify all existing or potential problems, if any. It is the opinion of this surveyor that **this vessel is indeed suitable for its intended use.** 

The second goal is to assess a value on the boat, based on the findings of the first and other data available to the surveyor. "Fair Market Value" is the most probable price a vessel should expect to bring on the open market. This value is arrived at by consideration of comparative values of similar/like vessels recently sold, as well as information gleaned from the survey. Accordingly, based on information available at the time of this survey, it is the opinion of this surveyor that the fair market value of the subject vessel is \$50,000.00.

Replacement cost for the subject vessel is estimated at \$200,000.00.

## **SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATION:**

On Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, I personally visited and examined the vessel "MERCURY MAID," a 1932 Ventnor Hydro 16 Gentleman's Racer, the subject vessel of this report, for the express purpose of conducting a marine survey.

Without conflict of interest, the findings herein are based on my observations and tests, and are my personal, professional opinions alone.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ohr C. Finney, AMS® Attending Surveyor Date: August 30, 2023



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