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Text: 5 pp. detailed index
Recording: **T 0868** 1/2 hour
Description: 0915 Phil Nichols, interviewed by Lynn Franklin, September 7, 1974, in Round Pond, Maine. Nichols, age 80, talks about building Friendship Sloop boats, starting in 1926: his first shop; changing to Friendship and Norwegian sloops (from Cats); working as a draftsman for Hyde Windlass Company; joining the Friendship Sloop Society; old-fashioned boat making; screws vs nails; his work during WWI; baseball games (locals vs. summer folk); the type of wood used for his ships; Wilbur Morse; different boat models; his shop; how he developed his own models (based on Morse’s); details about boat construction; the differences between then and now (both in life and boat building); parts used; tools used; naming of his boats; how costs have changed. Recording is in English.

Text: 21 pp. detailed index
Recording: mfc_na0915_t0889_01&02, mfc_na0915_t0890_01&02,
mfc_na0915_t0891_01 147 minutes
Description: 0943 Gooden Grant interviewed by Lynn Franklin, February 22, 1972, Archie Hutchinson’s home in Stonington, Maine. Grant, age 96, talks about his life as a lobster fisherman and life on Isle Au Haut: his relatives’ origin and their activities with different places in the state; Knowlton’s generations; starting lobstering as a child; how companies did not take into account preserving the fishing business; lack of profit in lobstering; how fishing customs have changed; owning Friendship sloops built by Wilbur Morse; why lobsters were bigger some years ago; why Indians used to kill gulls during the summer; Indian customs and business; Gilman Merchant starting the great fire on Isle Au Haut; different sorts of boats. Recording is in English.

Text: 15 pp. catalog
Recording: mfc_na0943_t0939_01, mfc_na0943_t0939_02, mfc_na0943_t0940_01 77 minutes
**Description:** 0974 Harold Finnemore, interviewed by David Taylor, summer 1974, Islesford, Maine. Finnemore, a part-time lobster fisherman, talks about lobster fishing: building of lobstering traps; lost traps; old fisher: Atwood Gilmore; different kind of fishes; lobster buyer Lee Ham; how to build a weir; fishing territory; drunk fishing stories; places for fishing and lobstering; fishing boats prices; Friendship sloop; fishing at night. Recording is in English.

Text: 11 pp. catalog
Recording: mfc_na0974_t0974_01 66 minutes
### Description:

1499 Henry Barnes, interviewed by Richard Lunt, February 16, 1979, South Harpswell, Maine. Two page index. Barnes discusses boat building; other boat builders on Beals Island; Portland, Kennebunk; Hampton boats; fishing from sail boats; Friendship sloops; engines, including “make-or-break” models; skiffs and dories; lumber used; construction techniques; and yachts. Done for the Maine Maritime Museum. **RESTRICTED.**

Text: 3 pp. brief index
Recording: T 1602
Description: **1501 Phil Nichols**, interviewed by Richard Lunt, February 20, 1979, Round Pond, Maine. Three page index. Nichols discusses Muscongus Bay sloops; differences between Muscongus and Friendship and Searsport sloops; career building sloops 1890s - 1930s; ballast; lobster smacks; construction of centerboard sloops; transition from sails to engines in Friendship sloops; fishing and lobstering with both types of sloop; making lobster traps; marketing lobster; design and construction details of Friendship sloops; fiberglass; and other boat builders in his area. Done for the Maine Maritime Museum. **RESTRICTED.**

Text: 4 pp. brief index
Recording: **T 1604**
**Description:** 1507 Riley Beal, interviewed by Richard Lunt, March 25, 1979, Beals Island, Maine. Two page index. Beal discusses Friendship sloops; torpedo stern vs. rounded stern boats; size of lobster boats; his career as a boat builder; other boat builders on Beals Island; Red Wing and Thoroughbred engines; changes in boat models over time; experiences as a fisherman, trawling and handling; herring fishing; peapods and reach boats; early motors and their influence on boat design. Done for the Maine Maritime Museum. RESTRICTED.

Text: 3 pp. brief index
Recording: T 1610
Description: 2620 Various Jameson family members and residents of Waldoboro, recorded by William Jameson, 1960s - 1970s, Thomaston, Friendship, and Waldoboro, Maine, donated by Ellen Jameson. Thirteen interviews with various family members and residents of the Waldoboro area, recorded for the most part by W. Jameson during the 1960s and 1970s. Interviews focus mostly on the history of Waldoboro and South Waldoboro; the community of Friendship (Long Island) Maine; Friendship sloop and boat building; woods work in the Allagash region, Grand Isle. Archive originals are cassette copies made from depositor’s original reels loaned in July, 1998. Also included are photocopies of original tape reel boxes. RESTRICTED: Tapes C 1897 & C 1898 are closed to public access as these contain personal family information.

Recording: mfc_na2620_c1891_01 - mfc_na2620_c1904_01 674 minutes (11.25 hours)

mfc_na2620_c1891_01&02. Interview with Lawrence Weston at his home in Waldoboro, Maine. Reminiscences of Waldoboro, and aspects of Mr. Weston’s life.


mfc_na2620_c1893_01. Interview with Elmer Orff


mfc_na2620_c1895_01&02. Interview with Charles Murphy at his home in Friendship, Maine, November 17, 1968. On Friendship sloop and boatbuilding.
Description: 2958 Ralph Stanley, interviewed by C. Richard K. Lunt, January 20, 1970, Bernard, Maine. Stanley talks about boat models (types) 1910s; design changes that resulted from use of motors; Friendship sloops; his lifetime of building lobster boats and Friendship sloops, post-1950; desirable design and performance characteristics for a lobster boat; economics of running a boat and boat construction; changes in lobster boat design over time; fiberglass; techniques of building boat models and materials used; and the process of drafting boat designs. Also discusses photographs not included in accession.

Text: 41 pp. transcript (2 copies of the transcript-82 pp. total-, the first has edits made by Stanley 4.24.2015).

Recording: mfc_na2958_t0314_01 90 minutes
Description: 2959 James E. Beal, interviewed by C. Richard K. Lunt, March 18, 1970, Jonesport, Maine. Beal, born in 1887, talks about wooden ship building in New Hampshire; lobstering in a Friendship sloop; early boat engines; early motor-powered lobster boats; eel grass; purse seining for herring and sardines; cross-handed row boats for lobstermen and college competitions; yawl boats; sardine factories (canneries); herring fishing, scaling, salting, and smoking; long-lining for fish; evolution of stern types in lobster boats; and monk fish. Also discusses photographs and maps not included in accession.

Text: 38 pp. transcript
Recording: mfc_na2959_t0315_01, mfc_na2959_t0315_02 129 minutes
Description: 3288 Eric Dow, interviewed by Pauleena MacDougall on March 2, 2004, in Dow’s shop in Brooklin, Maine. Dow talks about boat building in Brooklin, Maine; learning boat building at the Marine Trade Center in Lubec, Maine; instructors Doug Dodge and Ernie Bryerly; building power lobster boats; teaching model design; wooden boat builders on Beal’s Island; friendship sloops; boat builder Tony Diess of Rhode Island; the Day family; wooden and fiberglass peapod boat building; Joel White of the Brooklin Boatyard and the Herrschoff design; boat building methods; effect of Woodenboat magazine; boat building in school; women and boat building; carpentry; the aesthetics of boat building; his son; his lobsterman father; marketing; his employees; wooden and fiberglass boats; cold molds; wooden boat repairs; peapod boat designs.

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