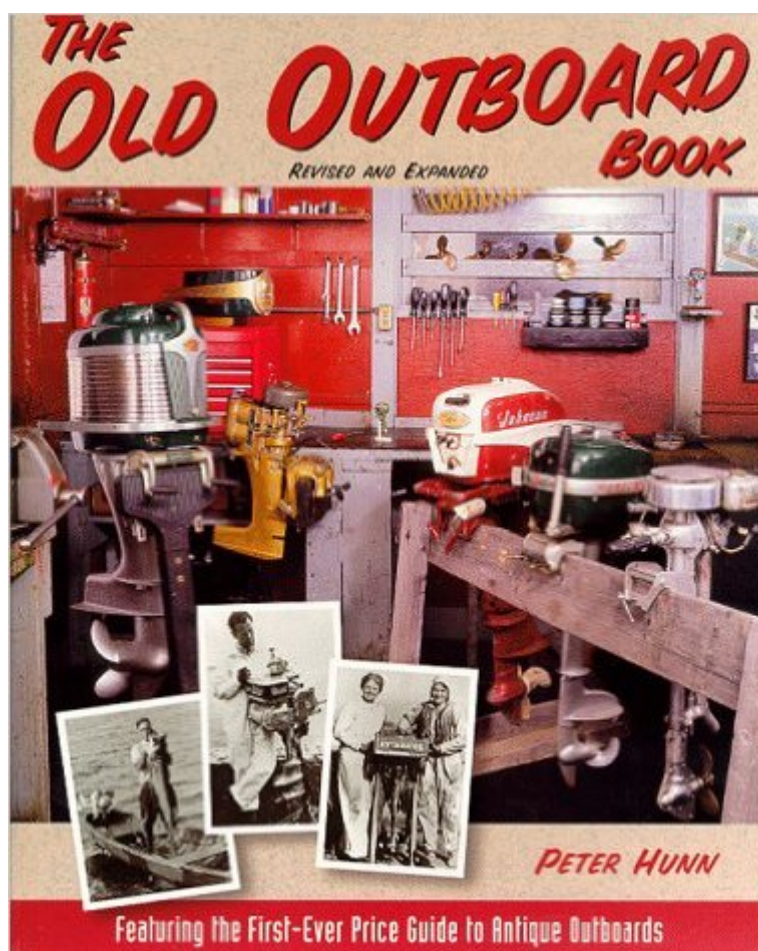


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# The Old Outboard Book



## Synopsis

This ultimate authority for the old outboard collector now features a rarity ratings and the first-ever price guide for collectible outboards built before 1960. Still included are chapters on the care, simple repair, and operation of old outboards. A must for collectors of old outboards, this book is also useful for those who appreciate a bargain.

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## Customer Reviews

Peter Hunn has distilled a plethora of details about the history of the outboard motor into a readable and accurate record. The entire range of outboard engineering from the first iron and brass "knucklebusters" to the more modern engines developed after WWII. The places. The people. The times. All gathered into concise, understandable and interesting reading. Among the more interesting chapters is a section on collectible model outboards, a model - year guide for the more popular brands, even a price guide of estimated collectors valuations for most older models. A "must read" for the antique and vintage outboard buff!

I grew up on a lake and so was around boats and outboards most of my life. My Dad had a book on outboards that was written by one of his friends. When Dad died I looked for it, but could not find it. I checked with .con and was told it was out of print. They did have Peter Hunn's book however. I liked the review and bought it. When it came, I could not put it down. For anyone interested in outboards, it has a wealth of information. I found it well written and easy to follow. Mr. Hunn gives the history of

the major brands and many I had never heard of. It is amply illustrated and shows a sampling of engines from almost the turn of the century through the mid '60s. If you find an old motor and want to know when it was built, it's in there. If you want to know what spark plug is recommended for your Dad's old fishing motor, it's in there. If a neighbor wants to know what his grandfather's row boat motor is worth, it has guide lines for that also. It even covers toy outboards. It has tips on where to find parts. I have started collecting now and it has become a reference that I use almost daily. In short it will introduce you to the fascinating hobby of antique outboard collecting. If you are already a collector, this is your Bible.

The Old Outboard Book by Peter Hunn is an excellent overview of the origins of the outboard motor and its development. The book covers the pioneers of the industry like Ole Evinrude, the third grade educated motor builder who was full of ingenuity. It tells the tale of Carl Kiekhaefer, the mechanical engineer whose stumbling onto a few leftover motors in the manufacturing plant he bought led to the creation of Mercury Marine, one of the largest producers of outboards today. As an enthusiast of old outboard motors, I thoroughly enjoyed this book. It is a subject which is very difficult to find information on, and this book is a very good starting point. The basics of collecting are covered, such as what to look for, how much to pay, etc. There is also some basic technical information for old outboards from both major and minor manufacturers, as well as some very good illustrations. This book provides an excellent history lesson and a "how to" collection guide, but it is not a repair or technical manual by any means. I would recommend it to anyone who has ever had the cover off an old outboard.

While I loved this book, as it gave me lots of information.. It did not have my Johnson Motors outboard listed in it. Possibly because mine was made in Peterboro Canada, and not in the U.S. Model: OKL 20. Serial: 97568

If you want a book to tell you about the history of old outboard motors this book is for you. If you want a book that tells you how to work on old outboard motors this book is not for you. It gives a good guide as to who made what and when. It is not a service manual.

It is a very interesting history of an obscure subject. Even though the engine values are around 20 years old they are relatively pertinent. The Evinrude history is especially fascinating. I highly recommend this book for those that are interested in the many facets of the outboard boat motor

manufacturing business that are discussed in detail.

ordered the book because of the good reviews ( glad i only paid 8.00 ) and was totally dissapointed the book is poorly done. i was looking for some nice colored photos, all there are is small , dull b &w photos and technical drawings, along with a brief discription of each manufacture. charts and price guides are hard to follow and incomplete. save your money ! maybe some one will do the subject justice with a good book one day !!

If you love old outboard motors, then this a MUST read book. I never knew there were so many Makes of motors back in those days. this read shares the history of all the different makes and models From back then and even give you a pricing guideline and even some engine specs. Well worth the purchase.

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