



**Welcome to the
May, 2018
Newsletter**

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This past month, 2 more Stingers were added to the registry bringing the total to 885 Stingers.

I don't know if it's just me, but there seems to be more Stingers headed to the scrap heap of late. It's sad to see, but I can understand given the costs involved, especially if the boat has structural issues. If you are thinking of scrapping your Stinger, I'd urge you to contact me. There may be people looking for parts, or even a "project" boat. I'd much rather see a Stinger restored then put on the scrap heap.

New on the for-sale section of the website is a 1988 415 out of Lake Lewisville, TX - asking

price is \$9,000. The 415s seems to have been trading hands frequently of late, so if you are interested, have a look on the website or check out the for-sale section below.

Until next month,
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**Have You Seen
this Stinger?**

I'm reaching out to all readers this month to ask if you have seen or have any information on the boat shown below. I'm asking as the boat may have been used in the commission of a crime and authorities have reached out to me to ask for any help I can provide.

This boat, according to the brochures and hull number, is a 1981 Chris-Craft Scorpion 312SL. In 1982, Chris-Craft renamed the model to a Stinger 312SL.

The boat was last seen in Andros, Bahamas in January, 2013.

If you have any information on this boat, or know of someone that does, please kindly contact me.



Chris-Craft: The Essential Guide - Stinger Edition #4

In the February 2018 newsletter, I started a series of articles titled "The Essential Guide - Stinger Edition". Here's the fourth article in the series.

If you are at all interested in Chris-Craft boats, you know that one of the must have books is *Chris-Craft: The Essential Guide*, written by Jerry Conrad. This book uses official

Chris-Craft documentation (now housed at the Mariner's Museum in Newport News, VA) to provide specification for every model Chris-Craft built.

Each page in the book provides a picture of the model, and detailed info on each model including hull numbers, physical specs, and any special notes.

However, for those of us interested in Stingers, there is one problem with

the book - it only lists models into the 1970s. Thus, there is no info on Stingers in the book.

This has bothered me. Therefore, I have decided to create pages for the Stingers myself. In the next couple of newsletters, I am going to present two pages, or models, each newsletter. In this issue, you will find pages for the Stinger 313 and 334s - hope you enjoy!

32' Chris-Craft Stinger 313: 1985 - 1989

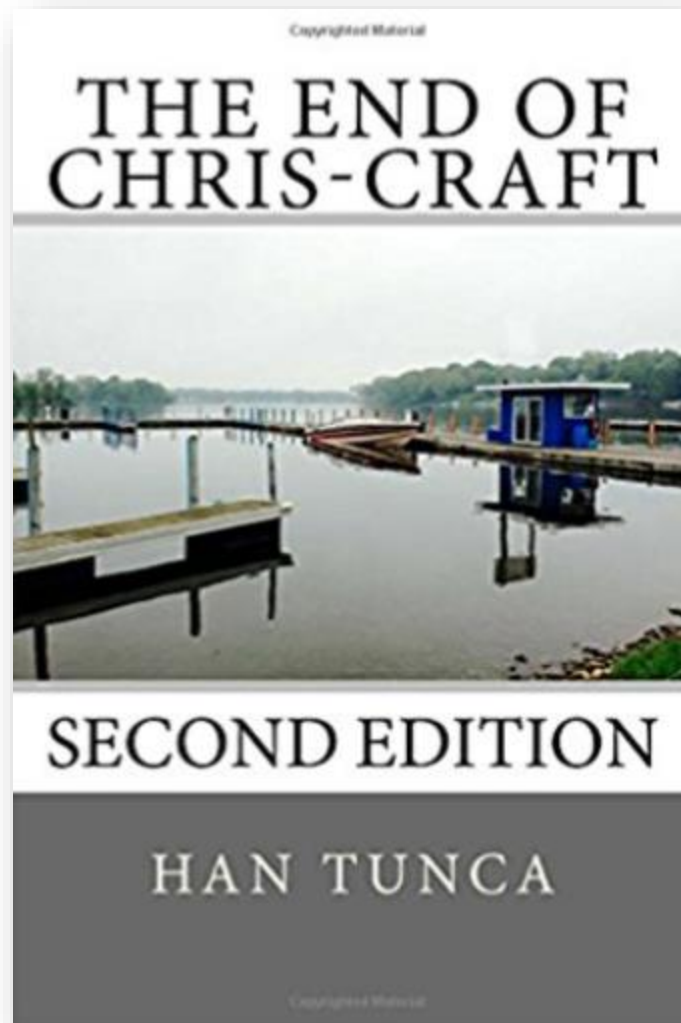


Division	Chris-Craft Sports Boat, Inc.	Special Notes The hull model code for Stinger 313s was shared with Scorpion 313s. The hull numbers listed and number of hulls in this section are inclusive of the Scorpion 313s The Stinger 313 and Stinger 311s were identical except that the outboard engines on the 311s were mounted on the transom as opposed to a bracket. A Designer series was offered with special color options. Weight of boat listed in this section does not include the weight of the outboard engines.
Hull no. series	CCBBH105x485- CCBBH112J889	
No. of hulls built	235	
Length	31' 6"	
Beam	8'	
Weight	4,510 lbs.	
Fuel Capacity	162 gals.	
Fresh Water Capacity	0 gals.	
Hull Material	Fiberglass	
Exterior Colors Blue, gray, red, white		
Engines		

32' Chris-Craft Stinger 334: 1989



Division	Chris-Craft Sports Boat, Inc.	Special Notes A Fittipaldi Special Edition version was offered in 1987-1988 featuring Fittipaldi graphics and emblems. Fittipaldi versions were red exterior, red interior with black accents. The rarest of the Stingers with only 3 known to have been built.
Hull no. series	CCHEK001G889- CCHEK003G989	
No. of hulls built	3	
Length	33'8"	
Beam	8'11"	
Weight	6,300 lbs.	
Fuel Capacity	180 gals.	
Fresh Water Capacity	23 gals.	
Hull Material	Fiberglass	
Exterior Colors Red, white		
Engines 2 330 HP Mercruiser 2 365 HP Mercruiser 2 420 HP Mercruiser 2 340 HP OMC King Cobra 2 370 HP OMC		



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Stingers for Sale

Below is a list of Stingers that have come up for sale during the previous month. The information for each boat in this section accompanied the owner's original advertisement. If you are interested in one of the boats please contact me at ccstinger@gmail.com.



Model: 1988 415
Location: Lake Lewisville, TX
Asking Price: \$9,000

This boat was close to being put back on the water but then several moves and health issues caused the project to stall. I ran this boat for a couple of seasons, then decided to do a bunch of upgrades on it. Here is a list of what has been done. New transom Rebuilt steering gimbals New hoses and hydraulic lines Rebuilt engines (420 HP 454's) Rebuilt generator (Oman 6.5) The boat has been sitting for a few years and the bad thing is there is mildew in the cabin and likely rain water issues with the engines. I am selling this boat for the cost of the trailer, drives, and transmissions. This boat is solid and deserves to be finished. I didn't even mention the thousands spent on various parts of rigging and miscellaneous stuff.



Model: 1982 260
Location: Waukegan, IL
Asking Price: \$21,000

For Sale: DIXIE NORMOUS 1982 Chris Craft 260 Stinger Built in 1982 in Bradenton, Florida I purchased this Boat in June 2009. This boat had a scratch and/or a ding here and there yet ran and drove quite well. I'm in my mid 70's and have been a boat person all my life, and I might add that I operated a full service boat company for several years. I'm quite capable of handling any mechanical, wood or fiberglass challenges. I'm retired and I have time on my hands, so I applied myself and brought this boat up to my standards. I also have many friends in the boat business so there's very little I or they can't handle. This boat has twin 260HP, 350cu/in engines with Alpha One outdrives. It has a Teak swim platform as well as a 3 blade stainless props. I repaired the dings and scratches on the hull, prepped then painted the hull. I used the original colors for the base coat then clear coated it. Over the years I made several changes (they're listed below) because I had the ability, time and finances. I've always used Mobil 1 15/50 in the engines along with Merc oil filters. All the parts and upgrades I have used on this boat were from Mercruiser. At present the exterior of this boat is as new as are all the cushions and seats. I never got to the cabin which could use some updating. Upgrades and Enhancements that I have done to this boat. Paint entire exterior using original colors. 2010 Recovered and replaced the foam in all cushions and seats 2010 Installed remote oil filter up grade (for easy access.) 2010 Installed new exhaust manifolds & risers (center type risers.) 2011 Installed through the transom exhaust system (using 4" polished stainless) 2011 Complete ignition upgrade to Thunderbolt IV 2011 All new shift and throttle cables 2012 New Quicksilver controls 2012 Install onboard marine battery charger 2013 Install new trim and tilt sensors 2013 Complete Drive service on both drives 2014 Rebuild both Carbs.



	<p>2014 Installed new pedestals on front seats Added batteries (boat now has 4 batteries.) Installed battery quick disconnect switches Installed crossover switches for emergency starting</p>
	<p>Model: 1984 260 Location: Willsboro, NY Asking Price: \$4,000</p> <p>1984 Chris Craft stinger model 260 SL. Twin Mercruiser 260 HP engines. Both engines run very good but one needs a new carburetor. Twin Alpha One drives with stainless steel cleaver propellers. Boat needs work but is usable in current condition. Currently winterized and shrink wrapped but can be seen. Was not used this season. Some cosmetic fiberglass work needed and upholstery needs work. Interior overhead fabric damaged in one spot. No trailer but currently sitting on a yard trailer that may be available. Fun boat to drive. 50 + MPH. Low retail from NADA is \$5610.00. More pictures available.</p>
	<p>Model: 1984 260 Location: Medford, NY Asking Price: \$4,000</p> <p>1984 Chris Craft stinger model 260 SL. Twin Mercruiser 260 HP engines. Both engines run very good but one needs a new carburetor</p>
	<p>Model: 1984 312 Location: Lake Lanier, GA Asking Price: \$12,500</p> <p>32 ft Chris craft power boat for sale. Twin 454 mercruiser trs drives. New Capt chair. New stereo. New carpet. Halon fire extinguisher. Engine wash thru for salt water. Over 10k in work done. all engine work done by Merlin marine. Very fun boat. Need to sell. Comes with trailer. I bought it off of original owner on lake lanier. Clean tittle. Current registration</p>



Model: 1984 390
Location: San Antonio, TX
Asking Price: \$49,500

Likely, the finest original 1984 Stinger 390X in existence, particularly in the rare factory beige/brown/yellow/orange color scheme. Continues to have original hardware, colors, graphics, stereo, refrigerator, gauges, outdrives, engines, and MYCO trailer. Engines rebuilt Fall 2014, only 20 hours operation since. Trailer improved with disc brakes (were drum), new springs, master cylinder hitch assembly, tongue jack, line lock for backing, chains and more. Cabin now has Teak floor and brushed stainless fridge door. Cockpit updated with amplifier, Rockford-Fosgate speakers, stainless counter/sink top, Teak floor and trim, new upholstery, new gauge bezels and powder coated surrounds and more. Engines extremely well cared for and start/run well. Outdrives received new bellows and carrier bearings Fall 2014 as well. Fresh cockpit, deck and bottom Awlgrip Awlcraft 2000 paint with professionally applied silicone anti-skid finish. Most of this boat's life was in Portland, Oregon in fresh waters of the Columbia River. Always high-and-dry or trailered. Currently in Southern California. This boat is a joy to own/operate, and particularly rewarding when answering to compliments, questions and admiration wherever you take it! Mionli Vice is truly an important part of American boating history that is gaining value and more notoriety every day. It can be yours!



Model: 1985 260
Location: Orlando, FL
Asking Price: \$7,250

Essentially this is a "one" Owner Boat as ownership has remained within same family since it was brand new. Here are the particulars:- 1985 Chris Craft Stinger 260 SL - Twin Mercury 260 I/O with Alpha Drives. - Just shy of 800 HRS on Motors. - Stainless Steel Clever Props. - Hull is rock solid with no cracks. - Cabin is good shape. - Boat has been sitting since 2011 and will need some work because of sitting. - Sale includes Aluminum Trailer rebuilt within past 6 months. - Boat is located in Central Florida. - Boat will definitely require some work, but is well worth it. Asking Price is \$ 7,250 OBO



Model: 1986 222
Location: Brockport, NY
Asking Price: \$6,995

1986 stinger 222, 350 merc alpha 1 outdrive. Boats in good shape. In the last 3 years transom has been replaced, stringers, bellows, gimbal bearing, coupler, upgraded outdrive Hydraulic pump, impeller, 4 new trailer tires this year. Do your research on these boats rare one of a kind

	<p>ahead of its time. This one has not been molested and turned into something it wasn't meant to be. Make me an Offer.</p>
	<p>Model: 1986 222 Location: Benton, LA Asking Price: \$10,500</p> <p>10,500 ... OBO Good solid boat.. Needs a little TLC 454 motor... 4 inch wet jet Needs outdrive seal and upholstery done. 5,000 trailer all aluminum Custom wheels</p>
	<p>Model: 1986 312 Location: Indianapolis, IN Asking Price: \$21,500</p> <p>1986 Chris-Craft 312 Stinger. Twin 454 Mercruisers rebuilt to factory 420 specs. TRS drives with new props. Older repaint & upholstery, 1200-watt inverter in cabin with 110-volt outlets, small sink, refrigerator, porta potty. Very roomy cabin that can sleep 5 if needed, 4 very comfortably. Everything works as should in cabin, CD player with 2 speakers in cabin & 2 outside. Road cover, cockpit cover, bimini top. Shore power hook up, a very solid boat for the year. I removed the arch & still have it. Trailer included. I can text or e-mail pics. Motivated seller, make offer. \$21,500. OBO.</p>
	<p>Model: 1988 202 Location: Rochester, NY Asking Price: \$8,000</p> <p>I have a super rare 88' chris craft stinger 202 for sale. It has 165 hours on the hull. This boat is like brand new. I literally just finished it. This is the coolest fiberglass speedboat that Chris Craft ever made and was made for the Miami Vice tv series. They were built in very limited quantities and there are only a handful of these left. There is a website dedicated to them, I know of no other boats that have a cult following. I built this one to be better than it was originally. It is an attention grabber. I get compliments on it wherever I am and have had numerous offers on it even before I restored it. I'm selling it because I'm getting married and need the money. I just put well over \$7500 into it this summer alone and have well over 12K into it total. I had planned to use it but sadly, it needs to go. Weddings are insanely expensive and I'm finding out the hard way. I replaced the motor and outdrive. It has an OMC 4.3L v-6 and an OMC cobra outdrive. Next, I gutted the boat completely and installed new marine ply, fiberglass, carpet, custom-built seats and engine cover and had everything professionally upholstered. I installed a new GT steering</p>

wheel, a Sony marine cd/mp3/satellite radio, which sounds awesome, a new bilge pump, new fuel lines, new aluminum swivel/slider/adjustable height seat posts and new Tracker style folding seats. The interior work cost over \$4K alone but was well worth it. It came out awesome. I had a 4bbl. Rochester carb installed which brings the HP up to 205 and will do over 60MPH. I had the pin striping re-done on the boat and matching Shorelander trailer. I replaced the tires, lights, and started to strip and repaint the entire trailer. It also has a new deep cycle battery. There are 2 swim platforms molded into the stern that have teak footboards and they were also refinished and look great. I also just purchased a new trailerable cover for it. I even just filled the tank with ethanol free 93-octane fuel. I'm probably forgetting a lot. If you're interested you must include the words eighty-eight chris craft to get a response due to spammers. I know it's the wrong time of the year to sell a boat and I could get more for it this spring which is why I priced it where it is. It is well worth the money. Chris craft builds the very best boats around and this one is better than new.



Model: 1988 260
Location: Kingston, NY
Asking Price: \$4,500

Boat Hull is pretty clean, Imron paint two years prior to me buying her in 2013 (per previous owner), set up for SBC twins and alpha drives, off- color repaint spot, stbd side above rub rail. DOES NOT INCLUDE ENGINES, but includes drives, bennet tabs, all cables, rigging and harnesses in place. Has drop down bolsters with adjustable headrests, but the upholstery is SHOT. the top edges are all split from sun and exposure (prior to me owning it), no back seat and no sunpad cushions. Cabin cushions are intact and upholstery is good. Through-hull exhaust and integral swim platform. Chris Craft also puts the HIN on the hull itself so you can run it with the platform removed. Includes Boatmaster aluminum double axel trailer, needs new brakes, tires good, 6 lug wheels. I'm open to offers and possible trades (work van?) (big Blocks?). She needs some work but I also restore these and i know what a great boat she will be again, i just happen to own several Stingers and i need to let one or two go.



Model: 1988 311
Location: La Mesa, CA
Asking Price: \$27,500

31 FEET LONG CENTER CONSOLE FISHING BOAT SOLID HULL IN GREAT SHAPE NO CRACKS BLEMISHES OR SOFT SPOTS, NONE LIKE IT, BRAND NEW CUSHIONS, BRAND NEW WIRING BATTERIES SWITCHES GAUGES FUSES FRESH BOTTOM PAINT. TRIPLE AXLE ALUMINUM TRAILER VERY LIGHT STURDY. TWO YAMAHA 200HP OUTBOARDS FULLY

	<p>SERVICED TOP TO BOTTOM STAINLESS STEEL PROPS hull trailer and motors all 1988.</p> <p>Model: 1988 312 Fittipaldi Location: Chesterfield Township, MI Asking Price: \$24,995</p> <p>1988 Chris Craft 312 Stinger Fittipaldi Equipe. 32 feet long, twin GENV 502 HO engines, Bravo Ones, Three-axle trailer with new tires. 55MPH. Only 18 of these Boats are now to exist. Very rare.</p>
	<p>Model: 1988 375 Location: Clemson, SC Asking Price: \$35,000</p> <p>For Sale: Chris Craft 375 Stinger, Bad XXX, Miami Vice, twin 460, King Cobra, excellent condition no scratches dings or cracks! All original! 37'8" of sexy! This girl is Big! Bad! Straight exhaust, 550 hrs boat and motors!</p>
	<p>Model: 1988 312 Location: Sturgeon Bay, WI Asking Price: \$29,500</p> <p>Clean, high performance Chris -Craft. Highly tuned Ford 460 blocks with King Cobra stern drives putting out 500 horse power each. 759 hours on the boat, engine were new around 2000 or 2001. Triple axle trailer included! High performance Ford 460 engines were installed at around 600 hours. Trailer is 2001 vintage. Storage cover is 2017.</p>
	<p>Model: 1984 260 Location: Hagerstown, MD Asking Price: \$11,000</p> <p>Chris Craft Stinger 260 is a 26 foot cigarette style boat with twin 260 horsepower V8 Mercruiser engines. The boat runs and drives beautifully and has plenty of power. The trailer is a 2012 Aluminum Load Rite trailer that is in almost new condition. The boat is available for sale without the trailer at a discounted price. If you want the boat only I will deliver within a reasonable distance. All reasonable offers will be considered.</p>



Model: 1987? 415
Location: Detroit, MI
Asking Price: \$22,900

Twin 454 MerCruiser Motor, 420 HP each, Rebuilt with approximately 30 hours 2013 Rebuilt Starboard outdrive 2016 2 new stainless mid-range props 2016 New sound system with amps and subs New carpet cockpit and cuddy 2016 New vinyl on sundeck and rear seat 2016 Cruise speed at 35mph, Max speed at 55mph Trailer included Canvas 4 years old Well at Beacon Cove \$500 prepaid GPS Garmin 188 sounder



Model: 1983 312
Location: Bradenton, FL
Asking Price: \$5,100

Please read the entire listing and ask all questions before bidding! Up for bidding is a 1983 Chris Craft Stinger 313 SL Powerboat. The boat is an overall great condition and runs perfect. All interior and navigation lights work. The hull was repainted several years ago and the upholstery was redone as well. The engines have been upgraded to twin 1998 MerCruiser Mag MPI EFI 502. Both engines have been serviced routinely. Outdrives are TRS and were recently rebuilt, as well as, the hydraulic rams for the tilt trim and the transmissions. The trim tabs are K Plane brand. All gauges, throttle and shifter controls have been upgraded to Gaffrig. All gauges also have anodized purple rings. The trailer is a Next Trail triple axle. Might need some tires down the road but all 6 hubs and bearings are in great condition and so are the lead springs. Spare tire needs to be replaced. Lights work. Local pickup or will ship if you arrange for shipping. I can also deliver to a reasonable distance for an extra fee (contact me first). Deposit due at end of auction via PayPal and the rest in cash. Or you can pay the rest via PayPal if you add 3% PayPal fees. Thank you and happy bidding!



Model: 1988 312
Location: Houston, TX
Asking Price: \$9,000

For Sale 1988 312 Stinger 460s king Cobras New rebuilt trailer. One cylinder on one engine 105 psi ,Riser leak,, all others 130-135,, something ready To let loose . 9000.00 firm. Houston, message me





Model: 1988 313
Location: Miami, FL
Asking Price: \$5,000

88 model Chris craft stinger. I am second owner. Boat needs floor and stringers redone. Boat was always stored on trailer or lift, no bottom paint. Stainless marine engine brackets. All parts for boat are there. Got started and haven't had time to continue with project. Comes on a rolls aluminum trailer. No motors. Clear titles for boat and trailer. 5000.00. Serious inquiries only. Classic boat that will never go out of style.



Model: 1985 390
Location: McKinney, TX
Asking Price: eBay

88 Chris craft stinger 202 with a mercruiser 175. Engine runs great, however the interior needs to be replaced. Trailer not included, asking 900 OBO.






Model: 1989 313
Location: Mims, FL
Asking Price: eBay

This is a beautiful Chris Craft 311 Stinger in great shape. Runs awesome!! Great boat for the money. Boat was updated years ago with newer motors, newer electronics, newer wiring, switches, gauges, etc. Large color Raymarine GPS Chartplotter, Ipad for bluetooth stereo, Multi Amp/Speaker marine stereo system sounds great. USB Power sockets, 12V accessory outlets, and LED lighting in cockpit. EVA Marine Deck. Boat needs nothing. I know I am not saying too much about it, but if you are interested, you can call me directly anytime. The Trailer is NOT included in the eBay auction, but can be purchased by the winning bidder if needed for an additional \$4,000. It is a triple axle aluminum 8in i-beam heavy duty trailer.



Model: 1989 313
Location: Brookline, NH
Asking Price: \$12,500

1989 Chris Craft Scorpion Stinger with twin Yamaha 200s Raymarine color GPS and fish finder. vhf radio everything work as it should. Cuddy in the front with porta potty. Full cover including engine covers. Jack plate. Bimini top. This boat has been very dependable for me over the last ten years going out to jeffreys ledge weekly. Handles like a dream. Currently located in Brookline NH and can be test ridden with an accepted offer. Comes with a 2008 triple axle trailer which cost \$6500 alone. why pay 150000 for a

	<p>new boat of this caliber. Boat gets many compliments when we pull up to the dock. This boat is a steal at \$12500</p>
	<p>Model: 1988 313 Location: Miami, FL Asking Price: \$27,500</p> <p>UP FOR SALE IS MY 313 CHRIS CRAFT STINGER 31FT. W/ TWIN 2002 YAMAHA F225s FOUR STROKE MOTORS. TRAILER IS A 2001 TORINO WEB-ON TRAILER. THE MOTORS HAVE LOW HOURS. THE BOAT IS SOLID. BOAT RUNS GREAT. BOAT WAS PAINTED AND REUPHOLSTERED IN 2013. HAS MINOR SCRATCHES ON THE SIDE. \$27,500 OBO.</p>
	<p>Model: 1988 260 Location: Charlotte, NC Asking Price: \$1,000</p> <p>Hull only not trailer no engines delivered for extra fee . Had twin 350 engine inboard outboard with mercruiser out drives . No title but you can get one easily last registered in SC . again this is without engines or out drives come see it good solid hull</p>
	<p>Model: 1989 312 Location: Jersey Shore, NJ Asking Price: \$15,000</p> <p>Aluminum I beam trailer ready to go, original finishes, beautiful interior, low hours on engine and a new exhaust. Length is 31'2"</p>