In Red, White, Blue, 50 Boats On Parade

Jane Forbes Clark’s turquoise Narra Mattah, top photo, one of a handful of antique electronic launches on Glimmerglass, leads this afternoon’s annual Otsego Lake Association Fourth of July Boat Parade, which included 45-50 decorated vessels this year. Lower left, David Rees of Oneonta, with wife Helen, waves jauntily as he passes Lakefront Park, Cooperstown. Lower right, Margaret McGowan, enjoying her recent retirement with the sale of Cooperstown Ambulance, sports the colors of the day – red, white and blue. The parade began at 3 p.m. off Three Mile Point, with Paul Lord, aboard the Biological Field Station’s pontoon boat, let off a fog-horn blast. The boats then lined up and headed south along the west side of the lake, to cheers from other boats and picnickers ashore, past The Otseaga to Lakefront Park. (Jim Kevlin/AllOTSEGO.com)