



April 2014

Hello Prop Riders,

I've been thinking about what to write for this report for a few days now. Every time I had an idea, I'd scrap it thinking it wasn't good enough. As I go to press, I still think this, as anything I write, isn't good enough.

As most of you probably know now – we lost our fellow Prop Rider, Tim Hueston, to cancer this past week. What can be said here to honor this man, father, friend, and inspiration to everyone?

Tim also carried the spirit of what it means to be a Marine Prop Rider. From Tim's competitive nature in the cockpit, crewing for his children, and his countless hours in the pits, there was ALWAYS a smile on his face. And never a complaint or bad word.

We can all learn from Tim. He had a Facebook post recently that said "If God only gives you what you can handle, then I must be a badass". Yes, Tim, you were a BADASS!

Let's honor Tim this year. Let's volunteer, let's get involved, let's make this club and region badass!

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The Next Meeting Is April 2nd

7:30 PM

— ***Juliano's Restaurant at 27380 Van Dyke in Warren*** —

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MEETING MINUTES

Marine Prop Riders - General Meeting February 5, 2014 - Meeting Minutes

Meeting: Held at Juliano's in Warren, Mi. The meeting was called to order by Chris Ritz at 7:44 pm.

Fund Raising Activities: John Bridge will be selling 50/50 Tickets tonight.. Prop Pitch is not available tonight.

President's Report (Chris Ritz): No guests present to be introduced. No Special Announcements

Approval of Minutes: Approved by: Rick Falcinelli Seconded by: Rich Falcinelli

Treasurer's Report (Mario Maraldo): Deposit: \$275.00. Disbursements for Printing and Postage: \$175.58; Others: \$45.56 (?); Balance: Initial: \$10,293.86, Final: \$10347.72 reported. Note: **Additional \$20.00 submitted by Chris Ritz, from Mark Webber's 50/50 win contribution to be earmarked for display boat, not used for boat/auto show prep.** Approval of Treasurers' Report: Approved by Rick Falcinelli and seconded by: Rich Falcinelli

Membership (Jennifer Falcinelli):	(2013)	(2014)	
Current Membership:	212	150	(Last year to date: 177)
Primary Membership:	130	93	
Family Membership:	59	43	
Life Membership:	13	14	
Vintage:	24	21	(ten (10) New)
Newsletter:	Printed: 86	51	
	Electronic: 51	52	

Note: **Newsletter electronic posting and printed shipments were reset this month from 2013 paid memberships to 2014 paid memberships. Therefore, if you did not receive your last newsletter, it may be time to renew your membership for 2014.**

Approval of Membership Report: Approved by Rick Falcinelli and seconded by Rich Falcinelli

Publicity (Vallery Ritz): The membership applauded Valery Ritz for her effort to publish the newsletter, it is greatly enjoyed by all present. Vallery thanked Eli Whitney for the APBA Region 6 Spring 2014 Meeting notes published in the March 2014 newsletter, and also recognized John Bridges for previous newsletter submissions. The Helter Skelter Saga is now complete, and new material is sought to be shared in the newsletter. Paul Poledink volunteered to seek new articles, and Dick Delsener "volunteered" to submit a member biography for the next newsletter.

Entertainment (Ray Dong) : Ray contacted "Rosie the Riveter" to cancel tonight's event. Ray is trying to coordinate another guest to be present the night of her appearance. Mike Brudenell of the Free Press could not make it tonight because of a conflict in scheduling with an Indy Car Racer in town for the Autorama. Therefore, tonight's entertainment will be Show-N-Tell by Ed Krupinski, and Mike Weber.

Race Reports:

Scheduled Date:	(2014)	
Dayton Testing:	April 26-27	Got Ice Boats?
Walled Lake Thunder:	June 14-15	Volunteers Needed
Gold Cup:	July 11-13	
Waterford Quake on the Lake:	July 19-20	Volunteers Needed
Celina, Ohio:	Aug. 23-24	
Rocky Fork:	Sept. 20-21	
New Martinsville:	Sept. 27-28	

To help with communication concerning the races, and finalize volunteer assignments, Todd McQuade and Mary Ann Wilson (not present tonight) will present a "List of Tasks" for "Volunteer Sign-Up" concerning their respective races. These will include "Pre-race, Race, and Post-race" assignments. It was suggested to encourage local racers, to stay around Sunday night, after their races are complete, to help with tent/scoring stand/race course disassembly. This would reduce the effort needed on Monday following the races with limited volunteer help.

There is also a concern with course time available for "Vintage" racers during the National event at Quake on the Lake. Some discussions concerning two (2) heats early morning ("early"-after course is measured and set), and then the vintage boats removed from pit area, for static display in the spectator area to help promote the sport. This will also make more room for Grand Prix boats in the pit area. There was also discussion about the possibility of reducing/eliminating entry fee for vintage boats, due to limited course exposure time and/or heat cancelations. Dick Delsner will contact Mary Ann Wilson to address concerns of the Vintage Program. It was mentioned some of these concerns could have been addressed at the Regional Meeting in Perrysburg, Ohio where all concerned (both local and out-of-state) with these issues, would have been present.

Dayton Testing.....it will be here before we know it! Billy Noonan is trying to get the budget set and needs to know who will be attending. Please let him know ASAP if you will be testing! E-mail Billy at willytapba@outlook.com or call him at 502-396-3120.

APBA News (Mark Weber): No Report

MACH News (Ray Dong): The new point, and payout system, was the result of many individuals participating in the development of the sport. Time will tell if the proper decisions were made. The series is still in the process of tweaking the point system for championship race show-up. Social media is indicating support of the program. Vintage is interested in being recognized as a MACH class. Vintage would be interested in kicking-in for funding of the class.

IRC Racing News: No Report

Region 6 News (Eli Whitney): Region news was posted in the March MRP Newsletter. October will be the Next Region Meeting. Scheduling for next years Region Meeting (Both February and October) will be moved up one (1) week due to Hotel scheduling conflict. Try to make arrangements to be at next years region meeting banquet. The lack of interest in this years banquet jeopardized discounts available for next years conference room and pool availability, and rates.

Old Business: Trophy presentation to Royce Richards on behalf of Alexis Weber. Royce Richards/Tom English Racing recently had a very successful race down south, and broke a few records in the process. ***!!Congratulations!!***

New Business: Audit Update: None (Still looking for Volunteers). "Safety Andy" has a couple of local Dunk Tank Tests scheduled Saturday, April 5, at Lanse Creuse High School from 2:30-4:30 PM. Contact Andy (586-242-0673) for further details.

Next Meeting: Date: April 02, 2014 at Julianos's in Warren, Mi

Adjournment: Time: 8:58 pm. Approval of Adj. Request: Approved by: Dick Delsener; Seconded by: Rich Falcinelli

Fund Raising: 50/50 winner: Tom Alfano, amount: \$28.00; Red Wing Program winner: Eli Whitney

Tonight's Entertainment:

Recognition of our Veterans: Ed Krupinski

Proudly owned Second Place Trophy: Mike Weber

Respectfully Submitted by: Wayne Shagena/Jennifer Falcinelli

Event Schedule – 2014

*Race dates and upcoming events are tentative.
Planning is taking place for the following events:*

Inboard Driving School, Dayton, OH

Walled Lake

Quake on the Lake (APBA Inboard Nationals), Waterford, MI

Celina

Rocky Fork

May 2014

June 14-15, 2014

Jul 19-20, 2014

August 23-24, 2014

September 20-21, 2014

If you have any articles, classifieds or photos or want to submit a member bio in the newsletter, please forward to me at: varitz@gmail.com

Thanks!



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Schedule of Events



Submitted by Paul Poledink

Sad News

The boat racing community and family lost a special friend this month. **Tim Hueston** lost his brave battle against cancer on March 22, 2014. A memorial service will be held on March 29 at 1 PM at the First Presbyterian Church, 300 E. Grand River, Brighton, MI followed by a celebration of Tim's life at 3 PM at the American Spirit Center (VFW), 10590 E. Grand River Rd., Brighton, MI.

In honor of Tim Hueston and his dedication to our sport, the family encouraged everyone to show up in their race day or race team attire. This includes team shirts, official's shirts, APBA, MACH, Prop Rider or whatever facet of boat racing you are involved with. Tim would have been one of the first people to show up in his Pit Officials shirt to support a fellow racer and it's a great way to celebrate the life of our dear friend Tim.

We followed Tim and his journey as he sought treatment in recent years. Perhaps you wished him well, or said a prayer for his recovery, or were able to show him your support in a more personable way. Tim's upbeat and positive outlook spoke volumes of his character, strength and courage, and is truly an inspiration. His welcoming nature, quick smile and friendship will be missed by all. Rest in peace. You now have the best seat to watch the races.

The Marine Prop Riders established a fund to help the family with expenses. You can donate via PayPal at https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_donations&business=HUPVBKF9GWRYS&lc=US&item_name=Tim%20Hueston%20Memorial¤cy_code=USD&bn=PP%2dDonationsBF%3abtndonateCC_LG%2egif%3aNonHosted or by sending a check to 34110 Garfield Circle, Fraser, MI 48026 payable to the Marine Prop Riders for the "Tim Hueston Memorial".



God gives us only what we can handle. Apparently God thinks I'm a bad-ass.

MPR Scrap Book

APBA Region 6 Spring Meeting, February 2014

Refer to the March 2014 newsletter for Awards details.



Mario Maraldo & Eli Whitney



Eli Whitney, Kevin Kreitzer



Eli Whitney & Joe Kreitzer



Tom English & Eli Whitney

Photos courtesy of Ray Dong



Royce & Kathy Richards



Steve Kuhr & Eli Whitney



Ray Dong, Tony Black & Tom Swindling



Kevin Kreitzer, Julie, Jeff and Kathleen Maurer, Greg & Joe Kreitzer

Vintage Views

Region 6 Match 'Em

There are approximately 60 vintage raceboats - hydros, skiffs, and flatbottoms - in Region 6. Can you correctly match these twenty-two oldies with their owners? Correct answers can be found on page 10.

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|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. ____ Scraps | A. Tom Bertolini |
| 2. ____ Lil Miss Hillwinds | B. Bill Gmeiner |
| 3. ____ Prime Mover | C. Ray Dong |
| 4. ____ South Paw | D. Gordon Jayne |
| 5. ____ J B and Water | E. Billy Noonan / Beth Gilday |
| 6. ____ White Lightning | F. Ken Warby |
| 7. ____ Agitator | G. Rich Willim |
| 8. ____ Flying Debris | H. Mark Weber |
| 9. ____ Mom's Worry | I. JoNell Roth |
| 10. ____ Fat Chance | J. Hal LeDuc |
| 11. ____ Chesapeake Lady | K. Jack Hines |
| 12. ____ Miss Lulu | L. Alan Radue |
| 13. ____ Advance United | M. Paul Poledink |
| 14. ____ Barracuda | N. Lisa Bruce |
| 15. ____ Whiz Bang | O. Dick Delsener |
| 16. ____ Tiger | P. Kevin McGregor |
| 17. ____ Opechee | Q. Bob Bramlage |
| 18. ____ Ike | R. Royce Richards |
| 19. ____ Helter Skelter | S. Kathy Schuler / Earl Stilson |
| 20. ____ Heavy Duty | T. Gary Vore |
| 21. ____ Miss Peg | U. Tim Settle |
| 22. ____ Lip Ship III | V. Phil Kunz |

Vintage Views Photos



Photos courtesy of Paul Poledink

2014 Detroit Boat Show February 2014

A huge thank you to Jennifer and Rich Falcinelli, the Kreitzer's, Heuninck's, the DRRA, Mark and Mike Weber, and the volunteers for their time and boats. Without all of you, and others who worked behind the scenes, our display would not exist. You all came together and it was a huge success.



Photos courtesy of Ray Dong





Vintage "Happy Buddha" - 1968 Lloyd hull, Ford 302 (Five Liter) fully race-prepared, new out of the box in 2005 (less than 5 hours total running time). Hull completely restored over four-year period - 2000 to 2003. Includes excellent trailer, great boat cover and misc. bits and pieces. Turnkey, ready to run - just add gas and go. Boat is located in S.W. Michigan. See:

<http://www.vintagehydroplanes.com/happybuddha.html>

MPR members: Be sure to submit your classified ad for free listing.



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Help promote our sport, the MPR club and our upcoming races!

FOR SALE

Jim Clary art prints (framed):

Columbia (Boblo boat), Seeandbee,
Put-In-Bay, Tashmoo

Vintage woodworking tools:

10" x 30" Lathe, 4 3/8" Jointer

Brian Reed - (586) 751-3247

Region 6 Match'Em Correct Matches

1-N, 2-E, 3-B, 4-O, 5-Q, 6-M, 7-L, 8-G, 9-H, 10-R, 11-D, 12-P

13-A, 14-U, 15-S, 16-F, 17-J, 18-I, 19-V, 20-T, 21-K, 22-C

Finally, which 17 of the 22 listed have run recently – say the last two or three years - in Region 6 events?



MARINE PROP RIDERS
Detroit, Michigan
Membership Application

- ☐ Electronic Newsletter Single Membership...\$20.00 ☐ Paper Newsletter Single Membership...\$25.00
☐ Family Membership...\$30.00

Primary Member Name: (Required for drivers and MPR board members)		
Family Member Name(s): (non-voting member(s))		
Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Home Phone #	Cell Phone #	
E-Mail Address:		

RACE AFFILIATION: (Check All That Apply)

☐ Owner ☐ Driver ☐ Crew ☐ Mechanic ☐ Official ☐ Media ☐ Other: _____

BOAT AFFILIATION:

Class/Number: _____ Boat Name: _____

Is the boat part of the vintage category? Yes / No

Class/Number: _____ Boat Name: _____

Is the boat part of the vintage category? Yes / No

NEWSLETTER:

Please check how the primary member would like to receive the newsletter. (Check one only)

- ☐ Email: A color version of newsletter (You must provide an email address above.)
Or
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Marine Prop Riders can share my contact information with other MPR members. ☐ Yes ☐ No

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