

August 2011





Marine Prop Riders - General Meeting - July 7th - Meeting Minutes

Meeting: At Sinbad's called to order at 6:30 PM by Mary Anne Wilson.

President's Report: News from Madison, IN informed us that the most severely injured person from the accident had been upgraded to serious. There was a moment of silent thought for Brian Small who is having health issues.

Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve the June meeting minutes by Rick Falcinelli seconded by Eli Whitney. Stands as printed.

Treasurer's Report: Mary Anne for Mario; expenses of \$194.85 for the newsletter, \$596.50 for stickers, with a deposit of \$342.00 for a balance of \$10,665.12. Motion to accept by Eli Whitney seconded by Ray Dong. Stands as read.

Membership Report: Mary Anne for Jennifer; 160 members, directory is done.

Publicity Report: Brian; website has been updated; Paul is working on the club history. Check Facebook for updates and click on the "like" button.

Entertainment Report: Ray; our boat ride is the entertainment for tonight.

Race Reports:

Walled Lake – there is a recap in the newsletter. It was a great race with good reviews.

Gold Cup – we're here and the race is on!

Quake – 78 boats pre-registered, with 21 Vintage. Pit set up on Friday, pit party on Saturday night, and tear down on Monday.

Celina – still on despite news of its cancellation.

Stony Creek – no news.

Ray talked about the possibility of the club sponsoring the goodie bags at the Quake. Mary Dillon made a motion for the club to spend up to \$500 for the goodie bags, seconded by Ed Karpinski. Motion passed.

The meeting was abbreviated due the need for us to get on our tugboat ride. No 50/50 and the motion for meeting adjournment was missed.

Submitted by Tony Kallio

Wanted: A volunteer to do general PR work for MACH, must be fairly talented as an inboard writer. Provide web and MPR news articles. Contact Phil Kunz or any MACH official. pkunzphoto@sbcglobal.net

<u>THE NEXT MEETING IS AUGUST 3RD</u>

7:30 p.m.

Juliano's Restaurant at 27380 Van Dvke in Warren —

On the East side of Van Dyke about 1/4 mile North of I-696 http://www.julianosrestaurant.net/ - (586) 754-8383

After his win, Mario was given the traditional dunk by his crew members. Before he could even get back to shore someone handed him a phone call offering congratulations, I believe the person on the other end of the line was Jerry Hopp.



Event Schedule - 2011

Race dates and upcoming events (** for MACH series events):

Hampton VA

Celina OH - UIM World Championships!

Clinton IL

Shelby Twp MI - "Streak" - Stony Creek Hillsboro OH - Rocky Fork State Park

Geneva NY

Alum Creek OH

Wildwood Crest NJ - N. American Champ'ships October 1 & 2

Morgan City LA - Eastern Divisionals

MPR 60th Anniversary Awards Banquet

August 6 & 7

August 27 & 28**

September 10 & 11 (**?)

September (2012?)

September (2012?)

September 23 - 25**

September (2012?)

October 8 & 9

November 19, 2011

Quake on the Lake 12 - Inboard Nationals - July 16-17, 2011

Quake 12 featured the APBA Inboard Nationals at Pontiac Lake State Park, Waterford, Michigan. Hot, hot weather was matched by the competition on the water, as true elimination heats were run in both the S and E classes. Most classes ran two elimination heats each, with the best recorded elapsed time individually determining qualifying rank. Some notable names did not qualify in some of the classes, proving the competition level at this event. The finals were just as competitive, with some surprise winners!

Let's lead off with the T class (1.5L Stock), least in size, but not least in competition! Five entries were led in qualifying by Matt Henning, driving in the T-1 Shameless Kennedy entry, which is the defending hipoint class championship boat. In Sunday's final, Matt again held first place, holding off a strong John Shaw, Leanna Richards, Alexis Weber, and Courtney Stewart. Congratulations, Matt and the Kennedy clan!

Y class, 1L Mod, 2 stroke pocket rockets! A ten boat field battled through two competitive heats (one of which looked like Bowsher's Y-52 might finally get the measure of the Sechler/Kanfoush Y-1, but did not), the Y-1 Fast Eddie Too took the fast qualifying spot, as the favorite for the final. With seven boats answering the gun for the final, Dan Kanfoush again showed the fast way 'round the course, with the potent Y-1 again winning the Nationals. Again, we say, it must be the fifth time in a row. Keeping the Y-1 honest were Sean Bowsher, Scott Liddycoat (on holiday from the unlimited ride), Becky Wilson, Keith McMullen, Marty Hammersmith (with his 2000 Pinto four stroke!), while Joe Sovie's Accelerant decelerated into a disappointing DNF.

S class, 2.5L Stock, whew boy, hot races. Qualifying produced eliminations, as 16 boats showed to compete for 12 spots. Right from the gitgo, four gotta go home, makes qualifying a chore, not a formality. Coming out on top, and becoming the favorite for the final, was Ontario, Canada's Kent Henderson in his CS-00 Bank On It, followed closely by Justin Quires (S-83 Megabucks) and brother Bert Henderson (CS-79 Bad Influence). This class featured boats from all over: Colorado, Delaware, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Indiana, Wales (no, not the United Kingdom, even though a King was driving, but Michigan, up north of Smith's Creek or some such place), Waterford, Quebec, and maybe more, where's the map! Finals found Bobby Kennedy leading on the water, but when all the gun jumping and other penalties got handed out, Kent Henderson earned his first National Championship over Squires, brother Bert, Kennedy, Keith Anderson, Bobby King, and Scott Thompson.

A class, 2.5 Mod, oh boy, fast times on the water. Looked like record setting water, but with six boats makin' waves, that becomes a challenge. The qualifying results read Thompson, Sovie, Tate, Kuhr, Kreitzer, and Bergman, all readying for the final. When the roostertails calmed down after the final, the order reads Tom Thompson (A-52 Fat Chance), Joe Sovie (A-23 Geezer Boat, way to go Debbie Welte, now walking around again with no cast), Andrew Tate (A-25 Fat Chance), Stevie Kuhr (the young one in A-41 Jamakin Me Krazy), with an unfortunate DNS for Kevin Kreitzer (A-64 Family Affair) and Tom Bergman (A-8 Mike Cashin entry). Hang in there Joe, Greg, and Kevin, the luck has to turn better, it has not been for lack of effort! Congrats to George English and Royce and Kathy Richards, owners, and Tom Thompson, driving, on defending your National Championship!

NM stands for National Modified. They did run, and wrung the drops out of the water! Hi-winding small block V8's, with a couple of 2.5L fuel injected four cylinders turned impressive laps. Five boats answered the call, with the National Champion earned by Thom Heins, driving the Big Bird NM-30 for the Budget Buster Racing team, out of New Jersey. It's not the budget they busted, it is the RPM limit for any small block V8 known to man. Golly, talk about a wail, that boat sung around the course, with it's fuel injected 308 sounding like the full NASCAR field entering turn 1 at Michigan Speedway. Whew boy, after the butt whippin', Andrew Tate (A-25 Fat Chance) and Tom Newman (NM-100 Newman's Toy) had to be shakin' their heads. Scott Blackwell (NM-93 Desparado) and Tom Thompson (NM-81 Country Boy) had bad luck, but made every effort to be competitive and give the Big Bird a run for the money.

Some Jersey Speed Skiffs were skiffing the waters, more properly, skipping over the water like skipping stones, winding their way around the one mile nearly circular course on Pontiac Lake. Seven skiffs (I believe) made the show, with Tom Pakradooni coming out on top, winning the Nationals! Dennis Macy of local fame made a good race of it, all of the skiffs made a great effort to be here in Michigan, towing in from the East coast, including the Outlaws, (except for Dennis, he towed in from Garden City). It is a popular win on the shore, congratulations, Tom!

GNH – ground pounders, as described by announcers, the big blocks roared with seven boats on the water. When all the noise and the water settled down, it was Cal Phipps in Jimmy Deel's GNH-8 Deel Me In on top, followed by Steve Kuhr (the elder one) GNH-317 Irishman, Patrick Sankuer GNH-6 Showtime Racing, and Mark Burghardt in Cadi Reiss's GNH -515 One Way. Also competing were Dave Archiable in Pat Rankin's GNH-74 Cajun Queen, John Krebs / Tony Black in the Alex Findlow and Joe Marshall entry GNH-33 Tennesseean, and rookie Kevin Lacey in GNH 52 Wanna Bee Racing, courtesy of ther John Grigg team. I think Cal uses the GNH as a warmup for his unlimited ride. This year is the first National Championship since the nationals were in Celina a few years ago, which is a huge step forward for this class! Congratulations SuperCal and Jimmy Deel!

5L Stock, E class, well, the E does not stand for Easy. Wow. Qualifying was extremely competitive, with the starting spot being all important. Except for Wally Johnston from Montana (out west, way out there, where the buffalo roam). He flew to first place qualifying, becoming the favorite. And the pressure was on for others to make the final. All said and done, ten boats make the final field, and three had to go home. Two big favorites, Mark Burghardt's XRay E-726 and Joe Less in the Centsless E-500, both were put on the trailer. The E-6 Quatum Leap (Chryel and Mike Bruns) held down the alternate spot, got to sit in the water in case somebody had trouble before the final, but that did not happen, as the full field made it to the starting gun. When it was all over, Wally Johnston in his E-98 Agitator whipped up on everyone else, earning a well deserved and popular National Championship. Finishing order after that was Brandon Kennedy (E-30 Big Bird); Jeff Bernard, another West Coaster, with Motown ties, also an unlimited driver, had family with him, hello to Sue Troxell and the rest of the family(E-55 My Way); Tom Thompson (E-75 Investigator, Tom English's Begeron hulled E boat); John Jenkins (E132 Miss Merco Marine); Dave Kidd (CE-67 Black Falcon, a better trip this time, eh, Dave, last time at Walled Lake, Dave was upside down); Joe Sovie E-61 Rajun Cajun of Doug Benyon); Colby Denman (E-37 Hire Voltage, Stover's nephew showing some speed); Jeff Sankuer (E-17 Modern Drummer, way to go Jeff, keep it up, this was the Nationals final, not just any final); and Scott Blackwell (E-617 My Theory). Congratulations, Wally, the trophy and winnings should make for a good trip back West!

You think the GP's would be forgotten? Well, five GP's came to town, all fired and went in the water. Top qualifying went to Bert Henderson, in the GP-77 Crush, who broke the world record time for the one mile course by 2 mph – way to go Bert! (that's 18 world records for the Quake now!). Others keeping up, well, trying to do so, were Mike Weber GP-55, Marty Wolfe GP-93, John Grigg GP-52, and Mario Maraldo, the senior statesman of GP's in his own GP-59. The qualifying heat on Sunday was eventful, for a couple guys. Mike Weber got the measure of Bert through most of the race, when one of the inlet valves got loose from it's harness and produced a flameout. Bert, in the meantime, comfortably taking over the lead, broke something in his engine. That's two down for Huey Newport. Hootie and Mario made it past them in fine fashion, without issue. For the Crush team, making the final would be tight, as the engine change team swung into action. In short order, the spare went in, was fired up and pronounced OK to run just as the GP's went to the cranes. The race? Well, it was a final, and the pressure was on to crown the 2011 GP National Champion. Pressure? Yup. Must have been, what else would have both Bert and Hootie watching each other instead of the clock, paying no attention to the wily Maraldo. Mario followed referee instructions to move to the outside lane in case the one minute score up is missed, which he did. The others jumped the gun. Oops. No matter how hard they ran, they were not going to make up the time to catch Mario. Mario's first National Championship proved again, listen at the driver's meeting, follow the procedure, and don't jump the gun!!!! Old age and experience triumphs again over youth and enthusiasm!

And let's not forget about the vintage! 18 different boats from around the country raced three times, small to tall! A perfect way to round out the show!

Here is your list of National Champions: T class - Matt Henning, T-1 Shameless Say What; Y class - Jim Sechler / Dan Kanfoush (driver), Y-1 Fast Eddie Too; S class - Kent Henderson CS-00 Bank On It; E class - Wally Johnson, E 98 Agitator; A class - Royce Richards / George English / Tom Thompson (driver), A-52 Fat Chance; NM - Budget Buster Racing / Thom Heins (driver) NM-30 Big Bird; GNH - Jimmy Deel / Cal Phipps (driver), GNH-8 Deel Me In; JSS - Tom Pakradooni; GP - Mario Maraldo, GP-59 Baby Doll III.

Mary Anne and crew put on a great show again, with thousands in attendance on the grounds. A safe event, Box 21 had a quiet weekend, and the Region 6 Inboard team kept things going! Notables attendees included Brooks Patterson, Oakland County Executive (who is also the driving force behind the Rainbow Connection charity which the Quake benefits), Royce and Kathy Richards (faithful sponsors of the Quake and partners in two race boats), Fred Miller of outboard fame, the VP of APBA, Mark Wheeler (hiding from the outboard races, said he had gone 8 straight weekends and needed a break!), and the APBA President Mark Weber, with Lori keeping him on the straight and narrow (more like both of them were still in shock the week after the Gold Cup). A shout out has to go to all of the west coasters who participated, it is only at these national type events that we get a chance to see everyone. Scoring was ably completed by Kim Liddycoat and crew (Jennifer Grigg was one of them, there were more), with the seemingly dozen or so referees watching all the action to keep everyone on the straight and narrow. Turn judges put in their time ably, a hot job in the sun this weekend. Tractor drivers and crane crew kept things moving, dancing to the direction of Ray Dong and Sam Anspach. Another shout out to the race committee: not only was this race a good one, completed on time, safe, and exciting; but, everyone racing went home with some reward, as tow monies were distributed. This has not been the habit at some events, and it is good that all the racers got something to show for their efforts. For the Prop Riders club, from the racers, a thanks for the handy carryall bags with race goodies received by each race team.

Oh boy, another National Championships weekend completed, time to look forward to the World's Cahmpionships at Celina, Ohio, right here in APBA Region 6, August 27-28, 2011 (see circular, Saturday is the championship day, with Sunday a regular raceday, it's called blowout insurance). Oh, by the way, Quake 13 is right around the corner!

Quake On The Lake 2011 Summer Nationals

Photos by Brian Reed



Jimmy King crewing - Lil Crush?



John Bridge gets ready to take Paul Poledink's vintage White Lightning for it's vintage maiden voyage. A complete success for both!



Trophies - LOTS of trophies! Beautiful trophies this year sponsored by Royce & Kathy Richards and Sankuer Composite Technologies, assembled by Bob Wilson.



Don Melillo and Tim Hueston



Member Biography

Eric Hindbaugh

Personal Information:

Why did you get into hydroplane racing, and when? As a kid I used to watch the Unlimiteds on TV, but never was able to go to the race. After high school I would find a race on accident in Trenton or Ypsilanti and occasionally go downtown to see the Unlimiteds. When they started racing in Waterford I couldn't get enough and started searching for more, and finally came across the Marine Prop Riders and after about a year, I came to a meeting.



What is your most memorable moment in hydroplane racing? That

would have to be when I joined the Prop Riders, until then boat racing was just something I watched by myself, and now it is something I participate in with others.

What do you want to accomplish this racing season? Just to be more involved.

What would you change about racing? The amount of local races, we need more.

What is your favorite race course? As a non-racer my favorite race course is based on watching and to me the best place for that to me is Waterford, Quake on the Lake.

What is something no one knows about you? I used to have really long hair dyed two different colors, and a long goatee dyed red.

What are your other hobbies? I enjoy hunting, fishing, tinkering on engines, and spending time with the family.

What's your occupation? I have been a chef for 20 years and currently run the foodservice at a catholic school.

Where do you call home? Linden, MI

Do you have any children? I have 3 children, two girls and one boy (photo at right)

What's your age? 42

Thanks to Eric for catering the pit party on Saturday at Quake On The Lake! (photo at top)



APBA Race Circular Regatta: Celina Governor's Cup Regatta Event Date: 8/27/2011 – 8/28/2011

Conducting Club:CELINA GOVERNORS CUP REGATTA INC #381 Region: 6 Sanction ID: 10856 Approved Place: **Celina, OH Grand Lake St. Mary''s** Directions: I-75 to Exit 110. Rt.33 West becomes Rt. 29. 20 Miles to Celina. Turn left on Rt. 127 (Main St.). Go 1/2 mile, race site is on left. .

Accommodations: Holiday Inn Express, 2020 Holiday Drive, Celina, OH 45822 * * PHONE: 419-586-4919 Single and Double Rooms. Please reserve by August 3, 2011. OVERFLOW: Americas Best Value Inn, Celina -- 419-586-4656 * * * Americas Best Value Inn, St. Marys -- 419-394-2341 West Lake Villas, Celina -- 419-584-1444 * * * West Bank Inn, Celina -- 419-584-3625 Country Hearth Inns and Suites 419-394-2710 * * * Please identify yourself as a participant in the `Celina Governor's Cup Regatta` when calling any of the hotels.

Course: 5 Laps / 1 mile race course. APPROVED FOR RECORDS. Race Course elevation: 870.5 ft. *

* Safety/Rescue Team: Region Six / Box 21 Start Type: Clock

Classes:World Championships: Inboard: SE- Inboard local class Saturday, August 27, 2011 00800 VINTAGE 01000 INBOARD01020 GRAND NATIONAL HYDRO01030 NATIONAL MODIFIED01040 2.5 LTR MODIFIED01110 5

LTR01130 2.5 LTR STOCK01140 1 LTR01160 1.5 LTR STOCK01520 GRAND PRIX Sunday, August 28, 2011 **00800 VINTAGE 01000 INBOARD**01020 GRAND NATIONAL HYDRO01030 NATIONAL MODIFIED01040 2.5 LTR MODI-

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Prizes: INBOARD: \$750 per class per day: 1 - 30%, 2 - 25%, 3 - 20%, 4 - 15%, 5 - 10%. Trophies awarded for 1, 2, & 3 per class, per day. 5 boats needed in each class for full prize money. Race Committee may combine classes. VINTAGE: Participation Plaques. SPECIAL AWARDS: Ohio State Governor's Cup will be awarded to the Inboard Hydroplane that earns the most points in ALL heats and that has minimum of 5 boats registered both Saturday and Sunday. If there is a tie in points, the boat coming closest to or exceeding their class record will win the trophy. Presentation of awards will be 1/2 hour after final heat at Center Stage.

Registration: Fri., 8-26-11 - Pit Area - 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM. * * * * * Sat., 8-27-11 - Pit Area - 7:00 AM to 8:30 AM Sun., 8-28-11 - Pit Area - 7:30 AM to 8:00 AM Note: Hydro Hot Lap Registration closes at 8:00am sharp, each day Driver Meeting: Hydro Hot Laps 8:30 AM, each day. Closed Course 11:45am, each day. Entry Fees: INBOARD: \$45 per class per day, PLUS \$50 additional (for weekend) for the Inboard Administrative Fund. VINTAGE: \$50 for weekend. Make Checks payable to: REGION 6 IN-BOARD RACING ASSN.

Send Entries To: Jennifer Grigg, 9627 Crawford Rd., Columbus, MI 48063-2307

Officials: Race Director (55) MARK J WEBER, 65655 MT. VERNON RD, WASHINGTON TWP, MI

Race Director (732) THOMAS D ENGLISH, 2163 FLAXEN CT, CINCINNATI, OH

Referee (4208) JACK MEYER, 5009 E MANSLICK RD, LOUISVILLE, KY

Assistant Referee (53207) RON SNYDER, 4611 STATE ROUTE 66, MINSTER, OH

Inspector (50115) RICHARD T EVANS, 4992 COUNTY HIGHWAY 96, CAREY, OH

Scorer (12741) JENNIFER GRIGG, 9627 CRAWFORD RD, COLUMBUS, MI

Risk Manager (13250) MYRON BUXTON, 305 MAGNOLIA ST., CELINA, OH

Risk Manager (57218) LORI WEBER

Vintage Rep (72386) JOSEPH JOHNSON, 115 MAPLE ST, HANOVER, IN

Notes: * UIM Commissioner: William C. Thompson ** Vintage Inspector: Richard T Evans (see above) * Surveyor Name: JAMES A. WIECHART P.F., P.S.* MACH SERIES EVENT. * SPECIAL EVENT- VINTAGE: Scheduled to run 2 - 10 minute segments each day.* UIM World Championships will be held on Saturday and Regional race on Sunday. In the event that no races are run on Saturday UIM Worlds will be held on Sunday. * Testing on Friday from 4:00pm -6:00pm. To test you must be in the pit area and signed in at registration by 4:00pm.

This Regatta is sanctioned through APBA

From the President:

July was a busy month for the MPR club! We kicked it off with holding our July meeting at Sindbad's in Detroit, adjacent to the Gold Cup pits. We had many guests, spouses and members that don't regularly attend meetings! We were blessed with the presence of Unlimited racers Fred Alter (also an MPR founding member) and Jack Schafer Jr., true figureheads of the sport. We then took a long cruise on the Sindbad's tugboat, piloted by their owner, Marc Blancke. It was a beautiful night and enjoyed by everyone!

The next few days, many of our club members volunteered to help at the 102^{nd} Gold Cup. The weather was HOT but clear, blue skies prevailed, making it a weekend to remember! We got to see some inboard veterans do some amazing feats -- Cal Phipps was first in points heading into Sunday, Scott Liddycoat won his first unlimited heat and Y-boat driver from the West Coast, Bianca Bononcini, made her unlimited debut! We were also honored to witness Dave Villwock beat the career win record of Bill Muncey, with the most heat wins ever.

The following weekend was the 12th annual Quake on the Lake. There were 72 inboards and 18 vintage – 90 boats came to Waterford for the Summer Nationals! It was another HOT weekend and another weekend to remember! FOUR world records were broken – unfortunately, only one of them counted – two were not over by enough and the other did not have enough finishers in the heat – but Bert Henderson broke the record in the Grand Prix qualifier on Saturday afternoon. That is 18 World records for the Quake now!

With our major local races in the books now, we'll get back to some of the business on hand – our membership directory, plans for the 60th Anniversary banquet and continued work on our display boat! Plenty of ways to lend a hand if you're interested!

Best regards,

Mary Anne Wilson

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More "Quake" photos... an autograph session and the Vintage participants







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Ron Taylor: 269-926-8975, rjtaylor0134@yahoo.com

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U-64 Miss Vernor's Vintage Unlimited Hydroplane

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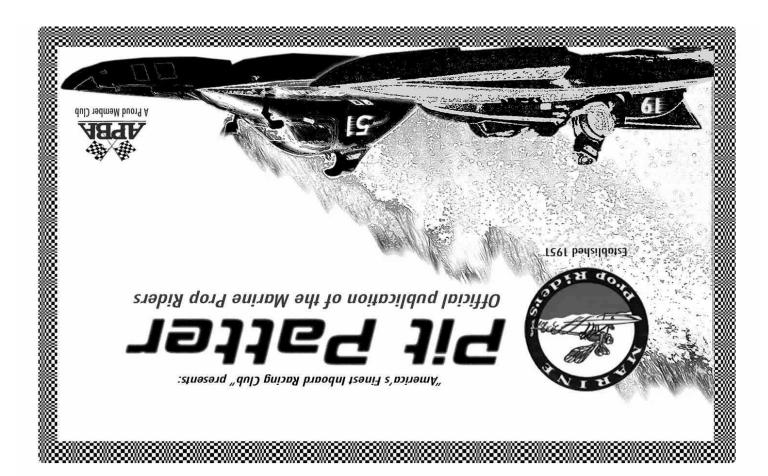
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Marine Prop Riders
Membership Application
c/o Mario Maraldo
25999 Ballard
Harrison Township, MI 48045

\$30.00 Family Membership

Only one active driver per family membership! List all, indicate driver.

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