



July 2023

Hello Fellow Prop Riders!

I want to start off first with a huge congratulations to everyone involved for making the Belleville race a success. We all know the amount of work it takes to give birth to a new race, and it takes an ARMY to put these on. Everyone jumped in when needed to make it a success. From the BYC to the Racers, Officials and everyone in between, everyone had a great time. Are there lessons learned?... of course. Now we can use that knowledge for future events and make sure that things go even smoother.

Special shout out to Steve Linn for his hard work heading this up, thank you for your commitment to the club and sport. Also thank you to Steve, Ray, Phil, Mike and others for the months of planning it took for this to come together. If there is anyone I missed.... just know that your contribution was invaluable and appreciated.

As you know we were treated like Royalty, and for that we all need to thank the Belleville Yacht Club. As far hosting is concerned, I have never seen a more accommodating and welcoming group to our race community. From the BYC to the community, we look forward to working with them on making the race bigger and better!

Lastly, thank you to all the teams and racers for coming out to support the race. Congrats to all our competitors for putting on a safe event. A lot of rookie drivers got invaluable experience on a tight course and it will only make them better!

On to other Great News.....

Mott Lake is officially a go. What a great venue and we look forward to working with the county and township to make this a sustainable race for the future. It is going to be a mad dash to make this all happen so please note the volunteer form in the newsletter and pitch in where you can. I know there will be a lot of updates so off we go.....**LETS GO RACING!!!**

John

Marine Prop Riders – General Meeting – 07JN2023 – Meeting Minutes
Meeting at SIMPLE PALATE called to order by Pres. John Grigg at 7:41 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Moment of Silence for **Margie Kreitzer-Osborn-Van Oss** of Dayton, Ohio; Margie, a friend to all, the mother of **Greg, Kevin, and Tony Kreitzer**, wife to **Joe Kreitzer**, and a key member of the DMBRA family, late May 2023. *Godspeed, Margie!*

Guest tonight: **Tom Skelly**, MPR's newest member; Tom is the son of former boat racer **Ron Skelly** and a 4X graduate of the APBA Inboard Driving Academy (degrees earned BS, MS, EMS and PhD, majoring in hydroplanes).

Steve Read has resigned from the MPR club vice-presidency, citing personal reasons. Following discussion, **Phil Goodell** was appointed *MPR Vice-President* by **Pres. J. Grigg**, to fill out this term. Steve's valuable service to this club is appreciated and will continue on a different basis.

MAY 2023 MEETING MINUTES: Motion to approve as printed in newsletter, **Rich Falcinelli**; second, **Rick Falcinelli**; motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT – MARIO MARALDO: **Mario Maraldo** submitted the treasurer's report, noting expenses for Autorama and postage resulting in a balance of \$11,568.98. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report, **Dave Muczinski**; second **Rich Falcinelli**; motion carried.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT – NANCY SPANICH: **Nancy's** monthly report (in abstensia, while vacationing): 64 primary, 18 primary family, 2 honorary, 14 lifetime, 3 lifetime family for a total of 101. Noted renewal this month: **"Pappy" (Bob) Moore**.

PUBLICITY – TINA WILSON: **Tina:** good issue, she said **"I need content"!!**

ENTERTAINMENT – RAY DONG: Photos from testing, John Jenkin's shop and a preview of Belleville's race course if time permits.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **NEW RACE SEARCH COMMITTEE:** **A. Belleville Lake – 24-25 June 2023, Steve Linn, Mike Horvath, Steve Read, Phil Goodell;** discussion re: schedule, officials, predicted boat count, event set-up, efforts of Belleville Yacht Club and city recognized! On target for race weekend. **B. Mott Lake's Crossroads Village (Flint area) - 12-13 AUGUST 2023, Dave Muczinski and Cassie Briggs;** DNR has OK'd race for their part, contract with Parks and Rec plus host hotel signing, funding to race budget submitted by county is likely, dry camping OK, logistics discussion next MPR meeting. **C. Quake – Rebranded to Gateway Regatta: Ray Dong and Steve Read –** no discussion; **D. Equipment Trailer:** donating items like chairs/tables; buoy anchors being made; snowfence for Mott; more outer markers; no need to duplicate R6IRA equipment; Tina and Jim Wilson donated a Garmin GPS for course setting.
2. **Audit (actually a financial review of MPR records):** No report. Date tbd.
3. **Display Boat – Phil Goodell:** Will be picked up from painter (Dayton, Ohio) prior to Belleville race, for use at that race; all bills paid.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **MPR SWAG:** Shirt logo selection undertaken; original on front, newly developed design on back. **Ray Dong** moved to initiate an order for four dozen shirts with size mix and cost TBD; seconded by **Cassie Briggs**; motion carried.
2. **Ray Dong** moved to expend up to \$500 to provide hospitality for MPR club alumni at the Belleville race; seconded by **Mike Horvath**; motion carried.

Next Meeting: 12JY2023, SIMPLE PALATE, 7:30 pm

MOTION TO ADJOURN: **Ray Dong**; second, **Cassie Briggs**. Meeting adjourned at **9:27 PM**.

Respectfully submitted by D. Whitney (Eli)

Mott Lake

Hello Fellow Prop Riders,

Congrats to everyone who made the Belleville race a huge success. I personally know what it takes to get a race off the ground and I have mad respect for all who contributed to make it happen! Being that Mott Lake is officially on, I am in desperate need of volunteers to help plan and execute the event. Please contact me at my email address below if you feel you can take on any of the following:

- 1) Concessions Lead– This person will be responsible for making sure that lunches and coolers are stocked and provided for officials and volunteers for the weekend.
- 2) Barrier Lead – This person will be responsible for organizing and executing putting up and taking down all of the barrier fencing needed.
- 3) Buoy Lead – This person will be responsible for setting up and removing all buoy markers on the course.
- 4) Class Promotions Lead – This person will be responsible for visiting local businesses to try and raise sponsorships for class sponsors.
- 5) Dock Lead – This person will be responsible for handling the docks at the pits, set up and removal – TBD. Also will be responsible for removal and installation of part of the dock that rescue team will be utilizing. – I can explain more to interested parties, not a huge undertaking.
- 6) Boat Count Lead – This person will be responsible for reaching out to class representatives in the APBA and promoting the race to racers and work on boat count.

Those are the major ones for now, if you feel you can help please let me know. All will report to the race chairman. If you can help, please contact:

David Muczinski – dmuczinski@krakenhydrosports.com, 586-791-3659.

Thanks All for the Support!

Dave

Display Boat update...

I begin this article by giving much appreciation to everyone involved with bringing the display boat back to life and providing you with pictures along with the excitement this old craft is generating.

Mike McGuire played a big part in setting up Peter Kline who painted the deck a vibrant red which I can honestly say, really stands out. Thanks to both.

Mike immediately staged the display boat out in front of Joey's Pizza along with his banner, promoting this year's Rumble in the Hills at Rocky Fork State Park, Hillsboro Ohio July 29th & 30th.

On June 11th the display boat was staged at the entrance of downtown Bellville and is on display leading up to Thrill in the Ville. When driving into Bellville, it's hard to miss it as it is elevated above the road grade with banners and signage promoting Thrill in the Ville, June 24th & 25th.

Before I could block the wheels, we had curious onlookers approaching the boat and taking family pictures and selfies of them and the boat.

Monday June 19th, Paul Poledink and John Bridge brought the White Lightning to the Bellville Car Show and as onlookers came by to check out Paul's boat, many remarked that they saw the display boat as they enter town. It sure has brought attention to Thrill in the Ville.

After Thrill in the Ville concludes, the display boat will be reassigned to Joey's Pizza.

Our next assignments for the display boat will be at CS Mott Lake August 12th & 13th then off to the Hydrobowl at Caesars Creek in Waynesville Ohio, September 30th & October 1st.

After Caesars Creek, the display boat will be looking for a place to shelter for the winter. If anyone has room, please contact Phil Goodell to make arrangements for lay-up.

Story by Phil Goodell





“2023” Race Schedule



EAST	DAYTON TEST & TUNE,Waynesville, OH	April 29 & 30	
EAST	Edgewood, MD(NEW)	May 13 & 14	
EAST	Bellville, MI (T NEW)	June 24 & 25	Classes TBA
EAST	Guntersville, AL	June 23,24,& 25	GP & E350
EAST	Madison, IN	June 30, July 1, & 2	GP & E350
EAST	Cambridge, MD	July 22 & 23	
EAST	Hillsboro, Oh	July 29 & 30	
EAST	Genesee, MI Mott Lake (T NEW)	Aug. 11, 12, & 13	
EAST	Mays Landing, NJ	SEPT 9 & 10	
EAST	Lake Hopatcong, NJ	Sept 16 & 17	
EAST	Hampton, VA	Sept. 23 & 24	SUMMER NATIONALS
EAST	Caesars Creek, OH	Sept. 30 & Oct. 1	
EAST	Lakeland, FL	Oct. 21 & 22	EASTERN DIVISIONALS
WEST	Buckeye, AZ	March 11 & 12	CB
WEST	Oroville, CA	April 15 & 16	CB
WEST	Yelm, WA	April 29 & 30	
WEST	Lake Chelan	May 6 & 7	
WEST	Copperopolis, CA	May	CB
WEST	Nicolaus, CA (Lake Minden)	June 3 & 4	CB
WEST	Soap Lake, WA	June 17 & 18	
WEST	Richland, WA	TBD	
WEST	Olympia, WA(Black Lake)	July 8 & 9	WESTERN DIVISIONALS/(CRACKER NATIONALS Day 2)
	TriCities, WA	July 28,29,& 30	GP, 2.5 Stock, E350
WEST	Pateros, WA	Aug. 19 & 20	
WEST	Brewster, WA	Sept. 2 & 3	
WEST	San Diego, CA	Sept. 15, 16, & 17	CB, GP, & 1 LTR
WEST	Oak Harbor, WA	Sept. 23 & 24	
WEST	Lake Chelan	Sept. 30 & Oct. 1	
WEST	Copperopolis, CA	Oct. 7 & 8	CB
WEST	Nicolaus, CA (Lake Minden)	Oct. 14 & 15	CB
WEST	Buckeye, AZ	Oct. 21 & 22	CB



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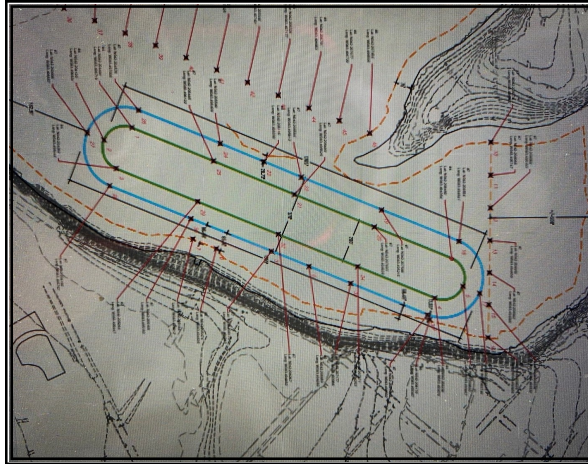




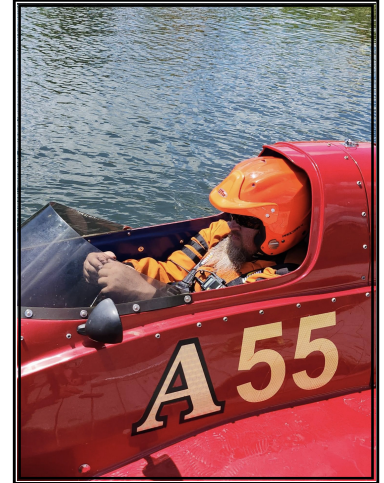
“Thrill on the Ville” Belleville, Michigan June 24-25 2023



Steve Reed and Mike Horvath Cleaning the docks



Race Course, super tight turns



Rich Falcinelli waiting to leave dock



Box 21 Rescue



Jeff Dobis S 49 Coming back to pits



**Steve Linn A 3
 Rich Falcinelli A 55
 Battling the course**



Brandon Zemach coming around that tight turn S 20



Greg Kreitzer resting before countdown

Belleville Continued....



Vintage boats making a great count



Cassie and her crew ? Cassie did an awesome
Job driving A 42



Rick Falcinelli discussing
strategy



Christina Wilson S 20
Smoking on the course (Literally)



Steve Linn A 3 in Pits with
Paul Poldink White Lighting



Trophy's hand made by
Mike Horvath



Cassie receiving her trophy and Jeff looking on, he was taking care of
her the whole time. Congrats to Dennis and Cassie.





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2023 Membership Application



- ☐ **Primary Membership: Electronic newsletter (color) - \$20.00**
- ☐ **Primary Membership: Paper newsletter (b&w) - \$25.00**
- ☐ **Family Membership: \$30.00 - Check box for paper newsletter ☐**

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Family Member Name(s): (non-voting member(s))		
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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

The Marine Prop Riders can share my contact information with other MPR members. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Checks should be payable to: Marine Prop Riders
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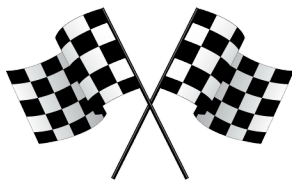
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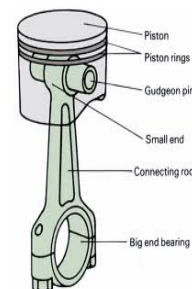
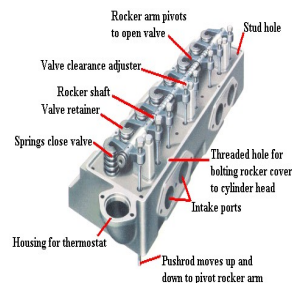
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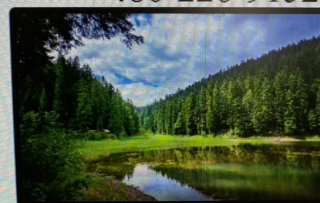
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