The **2003 Barthel Tri-Lake Challenge** has now been completed. A total of three boats completed in this all new format used to resurrect the beautiful **Barthel Trophy**. The three boats were two GL 70's and one N/M 50. In the beginning all three VP's from each respective **Lake Association** gave input to the scoring of the event. Basically, each race and its corresponding **Lake Association** used their local scoring system. Each of the boats placed (1st, 2nd, 3rd) according to their adjusted finish. The marketing and management of the **Barthel** fell upon **LSYA** in conjunction with their running of the **Trans Superior**, that being the last of the three races.

The winning boat was Colt 45, a GL 70, and it was officially awarded the **Barthel** for 2003. A keeper trophy was presented. The **Barthel** trophy will be placed (for safe keeping) with other suitable antique **Trans Superior** trophies in the **Maritime Museum** at Duluth for viewing and appreciation from a huge public visitation. Some restoration is needed on the **Barthel**, namely a reworking of the engraved shields, to make them all as originally intended.

The boats that participated in all three races (and their results) were:

Place	Points	Yacht Name	Model	Owner(s)	Yacht Club
1	5	Colt 45	GL 70	Alan Fletcher	Alpena Yacht Club Alpena, MI
2	6	Stripes	GL 70	Bill Martin	Bayview Yacht Club Ann Arbor, MI
3	7	Chewbacca	N/M 50	Bill Peterson and Bruce Nimmer	Wayzata Yacht Club Apostle Islands Station Bayfield, WI

The results of each of the three races were:

Race:	Chicago Mac (Americap)			
Place	Boat	Corrected Time		
1	Chewbacca	01:07:30:57		
2	Stripes	01:07:49:46		
3	Colt 45	01:09:03:00		

Port Huron Mac (Lake Huron PHRF)				
Boat	Corrected Time			
Colt 45	33:14:22			
Stripes	34:01:45			
Chewbacca	44:43:57			

Trans Superior (Lake Michigan PHRF)				
Boat	Corrected Time			
Colt 45	54:26:24			
Stripes	54:48:04			
Chewbacca	66:10:37			