



NOVEMBER 2024

Hello Fellow Prop Riders,

First, I want to say it is an honor to be voted in again as your President. I, along with all the other elected officials look forward to working on your behalf to promote the sport we all love. We have many exciting opportunities coming up for 2025 and beyond and I look forward to working with you all to continue the success we have had in recent years.

A couple of important events coming up that you need to be aware of:

Our annual banquet is approaching fast....Saturday November 9th! From what I understand, we are short of even the minimum people to break even. This banquet has been a long-standing tradition for our great club to come together in fellowship and celebrate our members' accomplishments. We plan to spice things up a bit this year by extending the hours and having some music and dancing. So, if you haven't yet already, please RSVP as soon as you can so we can get an accurate head count. We need members to be involved with this and come and support the banquet so that it can continue. Without your involvement, it is at risk of going away so please make plans to come. Mario and Kathy as well as a host of others work hard to make this a nice event for the club, so let's support their efforts!

The fall region meeting is coming up the first weekend of November. It is also important to show up and have your voice counted. It is the first step on the way up to the nationals to voice your opinions on what you want to see changed or improved in our great sport. Let's have a strong showing on behalf of our club.

Again, thank you all....and see you at the upcoming meeting, region meeting and banquet.

John

MPR General Meeting

Meeting called to order by President, John Grigg at 7:31pm

Entertainment was held first due to visitors from Ray Dong. Ray introduced Haley Guest and two others, from UofM Dearborn, Formula SAE Program. A presentation was given on the Formula SAE Program.

Publicity – Nothing new. Tina made cupcakes for everyone.

Membership – 127 members, 29 new this year.

Tina – Walled Lake – found another location at Walled Lake. The pits would be in the street. Talks are in the works.

Mario – **Treasurer's Report** – 1 Deposit and 2 withdrawals. Audit was conducted with Mario Maraldo, Dave Muczinski, Nancy Spanich and Ray Dong. Motion made to accept the Treasurer's Report, 2nd by Nancy Spanich. All in favor

Mario gave information on the banquet. We need 90 attendees to break even for the banquet. Price went up to \$40. Doing the basket raffles again. They are the best part of the night. John Grigg stressed that everyone needs to bring people to the banquet so that we can keep Penna's.

John Grigg asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the September meeting. Barry Pray made a motion to make a correction, where names were switched around in the nomination for Treasurer and the correction should be that Dave Muczinski nominated Mario Maraldo for Treasurer. 2nd by Patti Hayes. All in favor. Correction noted. Phil Goodell read last paragraph about nominations in the September 2024 minutes. Phil read minutes passing Article 7, section 1 from the January 10, 2024 minutes. Phil read Roberts Rules of Order . Section 18, Subsection 57:14, Page 565. According to Roberts Rules of Order the only way that a bylaw change that is approved does not take affect immediately is if there is an effective date in the future included in the bylaw change that is voted on and passed.

Nominations were reopened:

Phil Goodell read the last paragraph from the September minutes regarding voting for board members: There was a discussion regarding the new by law that was passed. Some felt that the bylaw does not take affect immediately and we should be voting on every person, rather than just the president and secretary. This will be looked into, and will be discussed again at the October meeting. In the meantime, nominations were opened for all positions. Phil then read the minutes from Phil stated that he looked into it and per Roberts Rules of Order, Rick Falcinelli made a motion to amend the meeting minutes to reflect the correct nominations, 2nd by Adam Justin. Majority approved, 1 against – Eli Whitney.

Nominations we reopened:

President: John Grigg, confirmed acceptance. Dave Muczinski declined the President nomination from September.

Secretary: Dave Muczinski was nominated by Patti Hayes, 2nd by Tina Wilson.

Vice President: Nomination was removed due to the position not being up for election.

Treasurer: Nomination was removed due to the position not being up for election.

Membership: Nancy Spanich accepted her nomination for Membership Chair from the September meeting.

Entertainment: Austin Hayes accepted his nomination for Entertainment Chair from the September meeting.

Publicity: Tina Wilson confirmed acceptance of her nomination for Publicity Chair.

Member At Large: Patti Hayes, Adam Justin and Steve Fischel confirmed their nomination for Member At Large (2 positions to be elected).

Barry Pray made a motion for nominations to be closed, Tina Wilson 2nd. Rick Falcinelli made a motion that those running unopposed to be elected by proclamation. 2nd by Barry Pray. All in favor.

Minutes Continued

Ballots were handed out, collected and counted by John Bridge and Kyle Hayes.
Patti Hayes and Justin Adam were elected by the majority of votes for Member At Large.
Barry Pray made a motion to destroy the ballots, 2nd by Eli Whitney. All in favor.

Steve Read: Update Pontiac Lake – HOA met to see if they still wanted to have the race. Steve, Phil Goodell and the HOA met on Sept. 18th. They have an issue with a date. They feel it is too cold for May 18th – 185 voted yes to the race. They voted for the June date which is no longer available. Steve Read sent them an email that we cannot support the June date, only the May 17 & 18 date. Contacted Scott Wyrzinski regarding antique boats being at the race to possibly display. They could support Pontiac but not Mott due to another event.

Mott Lake – Steve Read said that Dave is going to make a few tweaks to the package for sponsorships and Steve will start working on Mott for sponsorship.

Phil discussed the promo video from Mott Lake.

John talked about the crowd struggling to understand when heat starts. Feels that they need to bring the cannon back.

Discussion followed

Dave Muczinski talked about what APBA is doing to promote inboard. Needs to be brought up at Region Meeting.

Barry Pray made a motion to award an honorary membership to UMD Formula SAE Team in perpetuity. 2nd by Eli Whitney. All in favor.

Barry Pray made a motioned to adjourn, 2nd Rick Falcinelli. Approved

Adjourned 9:10pm

Sam Anspach won the 50/50 and gave the \$48 back to the club.

Respectfully Submitted:

Patti Hayes

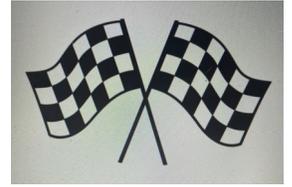


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October 6 2024

Marine Prop rider member takes the seat in S 20...
It has been 13 years since he has driven...
Warm up heat going well ...
He comes around to the start finish line...
Still looking good...

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Jim has been placed on Driver Probation **INDEFINABLY from driving my boat.**

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Thank you to Patti Hayes for this puzzle.

HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE AT THE 2024

“2024” MPR Awards Banquet

Saturday November 9, 2023

6:00 PM until Midnight– Dinner at 7:00 PM

“Evening Attire”

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Bring a gift basket and receive multiple tickets toward the raffle

Hydrobowl at Caesar Creek Inboard Race Report – Waynesville, Ohio, 05-06OCTOBER2024

by Eli Whitney

Sunshine, warm temps, and clear skies greeted the thirty-nine Inboard Hydro and Vintage hulls entering the *rescheduled* **2024 Hydrobowl at Caesar Creek State Park** in Waynesville, Ohio, 05-06October2024. Rescheduled, you say?? Well, because *Hurricane Helene* decided to make the southern APBA Region 6 area her weekend **DEVASTATION DESTINATION** in late September, displacing all thoughts of boat racing. Kudos for everyone involved with the re-scheduling process!!!

Back to racing: Saturday racing conditions were simply outstanding, with a full program completed; untimely breezes cut short Sunday racing to single championship heats for each class. The **Dayton MotorBoat Racing Association** put on a great weekend of racing; hats off to Race Director **Greg Kreitzer**; **Jamie Kreitzer**, designated *chefette* for the race crew and turn judges; officials, including **Don Melillo**, **Billy Noonan**, **John Grigg**, **Jackie Meyer**, **Steve Spisak**, **Jennifer Grigg**, **Chris Ritz**, **Tom English**; and all the unnamed but much needed volunteers. Thanks again to Jennifer Grigg; by forwarding the race data to this writer, we can all see who done what to whom!

Now, by class, from small to tall, here are the results!

1 Litre Modified (Y class): 1st – Tim Collins (Y-1) 295 points, 2nd – Jim Sechler (Y-18) 280 points, 3rd – Chris Ritz (Y-2) 275 points

Tim Collins' Y-1 (2023 national hi-point winner), ably piloted this weekend by Bobby Kennedy, swept Saturday's pair of races; however, Region 10's Jeff Bernard, driving Jim Sechler's Y-18, stopped the sweep in Sunday's championship final. Chris Ritz in his own Y-2 Orange Crate was consistent, finishing 3-2-3 for the weekend, earning third place honors. Scott Melowic (Y-40) put young Reid Melowic behind the steering wheel, gaining competitive experience with 4-3-4 placements.

2.5L Stock (S class): 1st – Greg Barker (S-9) 295 points, 2nd – Kevin Kreitzer (S-64) 275 points, 3rd – Henry Kutsche, Jr. (S-429) 240 points

Eight 2.5L Stocks took to the lake this weekend, with western New York's Greg Barker (S-9 Rewinder), Bobby Kennedy up, taking the overall honors. Bobby was a busy guy, running up front with a 1-2-1 record in these races. Kevin Kreitzer in his S-64 Blue Devil garnered 2nd place honors with steadily improving results of 3-3-2 for the weekend. Underdog H. Matt Krutsche III finished each heat in his father's S-429 to the tune of 240 points, finishing on the podium. Grand Island, NY's Don Less towed the S-500 to Waynesville to challenge the Rewinder, with driver Eddie Kanfoush delivering an exciting win in Saturday's final over the S-9 by 0.85 seconds! Jeff Nobis S-49 and Dennis Wright S-2 both had problems, Jeff with hull damage, Dennis with motor issues.

2.5L Modified (A class): 1st – Thompson Bros Racing LLC (A-35) 100 points, 2nd – Tina Wilson (A-20) 95 points, 3rd – H. Krutsche, Jr. (A-429) 90 points

The A class ran a single final heat Saturday, and it was a barn burner, with Kyle Hayes driving to the win over Tina Wilson's black beauty S-20 by 0.36 seconds. Sunday's heat was cancelled after Jim Wilson managed to dump wife Tina's previously pristine S-20 going into turn 1 on the first lap. No injury, other than Jim's pride and the boat's canard.

Sportsman Entry (SE class): 1st – Hugh Monahan (SE-44) 290 points, 2nd – Joel Jones (SE-99) 290 points, 3rd – Greg Barker (SE-9) 185 points

Hugh Monahan, of Hillsdale, Ontario, Canada, invaded Ohio this weekend, with veteran New Jersey driver Jim Clauss at the helm (heat finishes 2-2-1); this potent combo delivered first overall, breaking a points tie with South Carolina's Joel Jones, Gibbstown NJ driver Michael Hendrickson up (heat finishes 1-1-3) by virtue of lower total time in the three heats contested. Greg Barker utilized Ryan Timmerman to pilot his sleek craft to finishes of 3 and 2, missing one heat to mechanical woes.

E350 (E class): 1st – Robert Betke (E-55) 285 points, 2nd – John Jenkins (E-132) 270 points, 3rd – Don Less (E-500) 270 points

Nine 5 Litre hydros found their way to Waynesville to race in the Hydrobowl, the largest class this weekend. Bob Betke (self owned and piloted E-55) looked like Superman on Saturday, flying to wins in his qualifier and the final; Sunday's finish was enough to garner overall first place. An overall points tie between New York's Don Less (E-500 Centsless – Joe Less up) and Kingston, Ohio's John Jenkins (E-132 Merko Marine, John his-self just taking a ride, in his words) was broken by Jenkins' less total elapsed time. The second qualifier Saturday was won by Dillon Goodell (E-40) over Alex Manga (E8) and Tony Black in Tom Newman's E-100. Joe Less (E-500 Centsless) did come back to win Sunday's final with a fine drive over Kyle Johnson (E-80) and Jenkins (E132). Carl Adams (E-323) also scored points this weekend. John Jenkins second place overall is notable; his wood hulled venerable E-132 Merko Marine, a veteran of E class wars in Region 6 since the 1990's, is powered by a 305 Chevrolet motor, alone among the field of dry-sump 350 Chevy engines and sleeker, composite Auld/Henderson/Bergeron hulls!

National Modified (NM class): 1st – Tom Newman (NM-100) 300 points, 2nd – Alex Manga (NM-8) 285 points, 3rd – Cassie Briggs (NM-42) 185 points

To All Members

Please, please, please.

I would like to keep the MPR member bio's going, I ask and get no takers. I was just asked again to put this in the newsletter from our VP Phil Goodell.

Just a short bio of when and why you are a Prop Rider, one page, maybe a picture. If you own a boat or if your affiliated with a Team let me know. Please send it to: jetjims@comcast.net

All articles should be in word and sent to me no later than the 25th of every month.

**Thank you
Christina**

Hope to hear from someone!!!!

**I was going through some photo's and came
across this one,
It brought back memories I will never forget.**



After I won this I spoke with Royce and he told me so many stories, I was so amazed at his history with Hydroplane Racing and I could see why he won this

It was a true honor to be the only woman to win this trophy not just once but twice

But Royce, first on the trophy in 1964 and two more times after that, he rocked.

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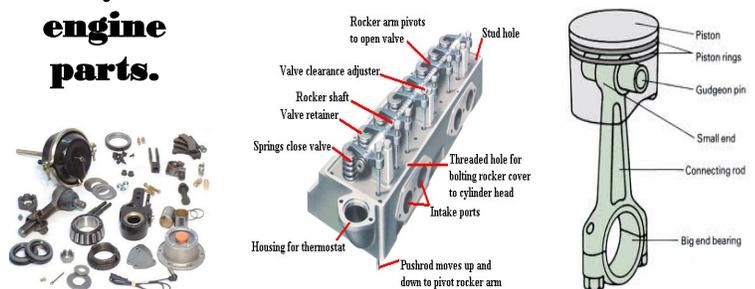
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