



June 2024

**H**ello and Happy Memorial Weekend Fellow Racers,

I know the season is starting and we are all looking forward to getting out on the water! Good luck to all the Marine Prop Riders who are competing and here's to a fun and safe racing season.

On June 1st we have three boats going up to Mott Lake at Crossroads Village to promote the race and our sport for their annual Genessee County Days. I want to personally thank everyone who is taking the time to supply their boats, bringing the videos and simulators, and volunteering their time to attend. It's outreach like this that can really connect with the community. We will also be selling shirts and looking for sponsors so if you are interested in coming down and supporting the event, all are welcome.

We are still in need of volunteers for the Mott Lake race. Please at the next meeting sign up to help any way you can. The only way we can pull off these races is with support from the club.

Decatur is coming fast and on behalf of myself and the board we wish everyone good luck. If you can get out to the race....do it! It's a race that has been resurrected and has returned to the APBA circuit and from what the planning looks like it's going to come back with a great event.

More information to come so until then happy racing!

*John*

## **MPR General Meeting May 1, 2025**

Called to order by John Grigg at 7:31

Welcomed Mrs. Kathy Richards, round of applause. Moment of silence for Royce Richards and Ron Jones, Jr.

Motion to accept general meeting minutes as printed, Rick Falcinelli, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Connie LaBelle. All in favor

Motion to accept the board minutes as printed, Tina Wilson, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Adam Justin, All in favor

**Treasurer Report: Mario** 3 expenses. Mario pointed out that Royce Richards was treasurer before him. Motion to accept Treasurer's Report, Rick Falcinelli, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Brian Reed. All in favor

**Membership:** 112 members

**Publicity:** Tina said this is the last month she will remind people for Bios.

**Entertainment:** Ray introduced Chris Misiak, a culinary chef, from Schoolcraft College. Chris presented Ray with a birthday gift and a chef apron.

### **Old Business:**

Prop Cover rule is delayed until 2025 but recommended for 2024. John Bridge had questions because the rule is on the inspector's test.

**Race Committees:** Mott Lake is moving forward. In sponsorship mode. Patti suggested that if you have connections for possible sponsorships, please pursue.

**Pontic Lake:** They would like the race the weekend before Memorial Day 2025. Looks like things are progressing.

**Walled Lake:** Tina and Jim Wilson opened the door back to this race. City may be tough. Will be a 2025 event.

Genesee County Day – covered for boats. Need some for Touch A Truck. Would like to have different classes represented. They want the full display that was at Autorama. There will be lots of kids present. Wilson and Falcinelli will have theirs at Touch A Truck.

### **New Business:**

Genesee Event : John requested a vote for up to \$250 for Scooter for coloring supplies and travel. Motion to approve by Rick Falcinelli, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rich Falcinelli. All in favor.

Patti handed out a volunteer sign up sheet for Mott Lake for everyone to sign up for. Tina suggested that assignments be handed out by class.

Phil talked about Hot Boats. Mark Weber was in favor. One member of Hot Boats brought the boat to Test and Tune and Mike Noonan and Chris Ritz went over it and told them things that they need to work on to be able to participate. Made contact with Rob-in Shane and needs info from them to see how to proceed. They are not a fan of the oval course, would rather make drag runs down the front stretch and putt up the back stretch. Chance for having them at Mott.

Scooter: .com has been switched over and shows the new website. Brian and Scooter will work on Mailchimp for the newsletter. Nobody has sent anything to Scooter. Please send pictures and team info for your team page. Scooter is setting up a drop box so that people can send pics easy. Facebook - 30 days up 4,000 people. 87% are non MPR members....we are getting out there. Traffic on website, 241 people in last 30 days have stayed on longer than 2 minutes.

Dave asked about drones. Phil explained the insurance expectations for drones. There were questions regarding the use of turn judges with drones. Some feel the necessity of using both turn judges and drones.

Motion to adjourn, Patti Hayes, 2<sup>nd</sup> – Barry Pray. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Patti Hayes

**MPR Board Meeting**

**May 1, 2024**

**In attendance: John, Patti, Adam, Tina, Mario, Nancy, Phil, Dave**

John Grigg called the meeting to order at 6:35pm

John has been in contact with Walled Lake: Looking for a 2025 event. All in community interested

Steve is working on paperwork with Pontiac Lake. 2025 Event.

**Dave: Mott Lake Update-** Planning easy. Cranes confirmed, only pay operators, ambulance service is reserved. Dave is working on the hotel. Will be two hotels in the same area. Still looking for sponsorships. Steve Read is assisting with sponsorships. Dave will email the list of people that he has contacted. Phil is working with Bobby Keys.

**Website:** Scooter said he and Brian finished the website. It is now .com. Scooter owns .org and .net. Got mailchimp to work again. Facebook numbers are way up. Scooter is working on a drop box and other things. Working on stuff to help promote

**Touch A Truck for Genessee County.** With everything he did he came in just under budget. Nancy thanked Scooter for getting mailchimp to work and Scooter said that the thanks goes to Brian. Tina questioned the journey of the newsletter, who she sends it to, where it goes from there, etc... Scooter said he would keep Tina updated.

Ray said the only way he could get his presenter was to have him go first. We will go through opening stuff, treasurer report, etc... and then he can go.

Genessee wants the display from Autorama and two of their events. Touch a truck is kid based. June 1<sup>st</sup> -has boats and sims. July 6 & 7 is Touch a Truck. John would like to have money to do the coloring that we had at Autorama. This would give us a chance to stop parents and interact with MPR representatives. John is asking for some money for Scooter and Weronika. Ray made a motion to fund the promotional effort in Genessee County for Touch A Truck to allow Scooter and Weronika to travel back and forth and supplies for the coloring station. Not to exceed \$250. Dave Muczinski seconded, Discussion about location, Dave offered the sims to be in his trailer, will have power. Vote: All in favor.

John strongly recommended in the future that maybe the Prop Riders put together a sim set up for the future.

**Phil:** Talked about Mott Lake having the 2025 Divisionals. IRC may not be voting on it until June. 2026 Nationals come back to the East Coast. At some point we will have to address the bid as to whether we want to put it on and particulars.

Mario received the newsletter yesterday and was very impressed with his President's Letter.

Dave made the motion to adjourn at 7:12pm, seconded by Phil. All in favor.

# TEST & TUNE CAESARS CREEK APRIL 27-28 2024



**Thank you to all the volunteers that made Test & Tune a success as they do every year. Thank you to all the boat owners and drivers who came from far and wide, without you this event would not take place. I was not at Test & Tune so I would like to thank Patti Hayes for taking these.**



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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!!!!

**Okay, I have asked and asked, well now it IS all about me like I promised....**



**Are you sick of me, I have a ton more!!!**





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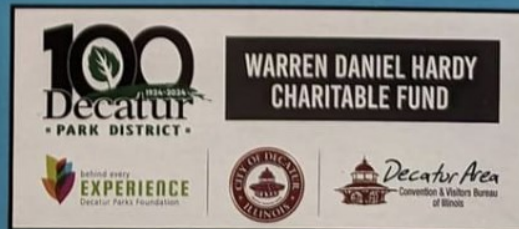
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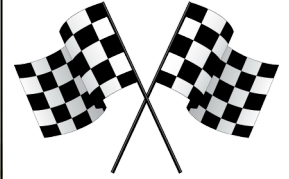
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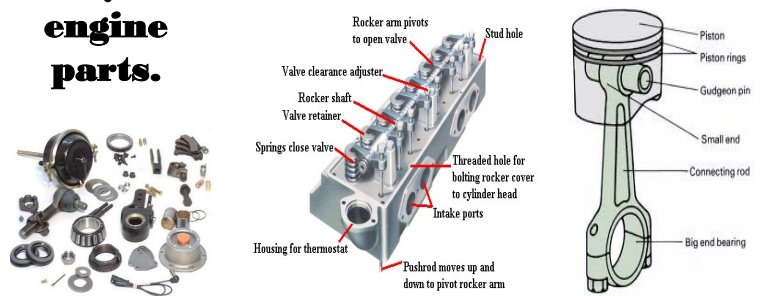
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