



JANUARY 2006

Seattle Outboard Association

# PIT PREVIEWS

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# OOPS!



Due to editorial brain cramps the finish order reported for J-Stock at Moses Lake was incorrect. Apologies to Ashley Rucker who finished 2nd in J hydro and tied for 1st place in J runabout. This was just the second race for Ashley and her first time ever in runabout.

## ELECTRIFYING NEWS FROM THE UK



*Helen Loney Powers An Stradag to a new UIM  
record of 68.09mph on Coniston Water*

Remember An Stradag, the electric hydro that Fiona Countess of Arran, drove to a UIM Electric Waterspeed Record in 1989, that, in turn led to special event electric racing and records set here? Well, An Stradag's back from the museum courtesy of Henry Engelens, and in the records business once again.

The boat was completely gone through and fitted with improved Lynch motors and better batteries (Exide copies of Optimas) plus aerodynamic and propeller work.

On November 1st, the boat was driven to a new UIM electric Hydro Mark of 68.09mph by 24 year old Helen Loney of Windermere Motor Boat Racing Club. The boat's initial pass was fastest at 70.610mph with a return at 65.561mph. This speed doesn't surpass the APBA 70.5mph average of Mischke/Cloud, but it does raise the standing UIM mark of 50.825mph set in the same boat by by Lady Arran. Norm Boddy still retains the runabout record at 55.9mph.

For more details and photos visit the team website at: <http://www.electricrecordteam.com>

# Meeting Minutes

22 November, 2005

## Activity Reports:

### *Stock:*

Dave Anderson reported that the Tohatsu-D is now a legal motor for D-Stock voted in by the Stock Commission. Boat weight increases 20 pounds and depth is set an one in. below the bottom for these motors.

Dave also noted that the Kevin Ladd Fuel issue has been resolved and may lead to discussion at the national meeting which could lead to competitors being limited to fuel and oil available on-site, and said that there's an apparent move afoot to standardize records course design.

### *Mod:*

Ryan Johnson reported on a Mod meeting noting eligibility problems for people signing on for Winter nationals as single event members. He also spoke on how lower mod membership numbers have reduced Mod commissioner count and noted that points are now based on a Mod racer's best 15 races.

### *PRO:*

Steve Greaves announced that Region 10 elections have named Howard Anderson and George Thornhill as Commissioners. He

added that PRO Commissioners have Name Steve Chairman again, and said that the Category has sorted out its 2005 awards, pointing out Jim Nilsen as a 2005 APBA Hall of Champions inductee.

### *J-Class:*

Rockey Peterson reported on the Hydroplane museum's "J-Project", where 5 kids and their families are each building a Sorensen J-Hydro to race next summer.

## Old Business:

Dwight Malhiot noted that Kathy Myers is working out production. Kathy added that she'd like to hear from members who might have knowledge of or a connection to a printer who can turn out the roster book at a no to low cost.

## New Business:

### *Region Banquet:*

Scheduled for the Saturday following Thanksgiving. Dwight Malhiot noted meeting times and the location.

### *Commodore's Ball:*

Debi Perman outlined the schedule and highlights of the club party. It will be held on 25 February from 6 p.m. to midnight at the Lake Wilderness Golf Course Country Club.

There will be an informal golf tournament earlier in the day. Dinner will be on an Italian theme. A live band will perform. Gary Longley will arrange for a

live NASCAR simulator for those aspiring to test their skills against desires. There will be door prizes, raffles and auctions...and a "Hot-wheels" hydro race.

## NOTE:

***A summary of the Commodore's Ball location, cost and events may be seen in a box on page 6.***

### *2006 Board of Directors:*

Ballots were counted, and the Seattle Outboard Association 2006 Board of Directors is as follows:

Troy Holmberg  
Todd Cragin  
Kathy Myers  
Rockey Peterson  
J. Michael Kelly

### *Rescue and Jon-Boats:*

Drew Thompson reports that he spoke to Howard Shaw regarding getting the rescue boat and the Jon-boats liner-coated, and the best time looks to be between Christmas and New Years. Help will be needed to invert the boats for the work needed.

## Other:

Dave Anderson said that no 2007 Nationals meetings will be scheduled until after New Years, and Noted Todd Cragin as the trophy sponsor and says he's negotiating with a potential title sponsor.

**Raffle:**

*U-2 button and a signed bit of Gold Cup Wreckage:*  
Jan Tonge

*Scented Candles:*  
Dwight Malhiot  
Debi Perman

*Files*  
Mike Kelly

*Eagles Drink Tokens:*  
Steve Greaves  
Ric Montoya

*Wood Chisels:*  
Rockey Peterson

*Wingdome Card:*  
Rockey Peterson

*Chocolate hydroplanes:*  
Rockey Peterson

*Lottery Ticket:*  
Lauri Gleason

**Pass the Pot**  
Tom O'Neill  
Steve Jenkins  
Jan Shaw  
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*Dave Cossette - Winner*  
*Donated to 2007 nationals fund*



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# H.A.R.M.'S J-PROJECT

*Where Dreams Live*

The Hydroplane and Antique Raceboat Museum's J project, has been noted in Pit Previews, and now, thanks to Pat Gleason, here are a few photos of the construction progress as 5 kids, D.J. Haskins, Ashley Raney, Shane Thompson, Jared Martin and Nick Scott, and their families with the help of racers build their own J-Hydros, from kits provided by Darrell Sorensen

Serious assembly work began about week-2, with the help Jeff Kelly, J. Michael Kelly, J-Dub Myers, Darrell Sorensen, Mike and Tony Perman, Rocky Peterson, Dwight and Zach Malhiot, Museum Director David Williams and others.

As word of the project spread, more guests and helpers stopped by, including Stan, Scott, and Chip Hanauer and Dr Ken Muscatel who commented that this program is 'right down the middle' with the Hydro Museum's mission of not only tracking the history of the sport, but growing the sport and bringing new people to boat racing.

Ashley Raney brought in her "posse" of friends and had them working hard on her new boat with her, sanding, fairing and gluing.

**Shane Thompson and Jeff Kelly team up for a little drilling**



*Ashley Raney (left) brought friends to offer a display of "Girl Power".*



*Inspiration is easily fed in a shop as pretty as this one.*



Though the project has been worked in the main Museum display area, there are times when the Museum is host to banquets and other events, and at those times the project is moved to the shop area alongside Bill Muncey's "Blue Blaster" and the Museum's current restoration of Hurricane IV Unlimited.

Photos here are courtesy of Pat Gleason, who's been taking both notes and photographs as the project progresses. All of Patrick's photos can be seen on-line at this URL:

<http://community.webshots.com/user/sponsonhead>

And check out the folks who made this possible too!

<http://www.thunderboats.org/>

<http://www.boatracinr11.com/sorensenmain.htm>



## RAFFLE REMINDER

Those who've attended meetings at the Kirkland Eagles should be familiar with the Wing Dome, the little eatery next door. Wing Dome now provides a \$10 food card as a raffle prize. Wing Dome also offers takeout and will deliver if they aren't too busy. What a deal!...An SOA meeting and a chance to win free food. Golly! what next?



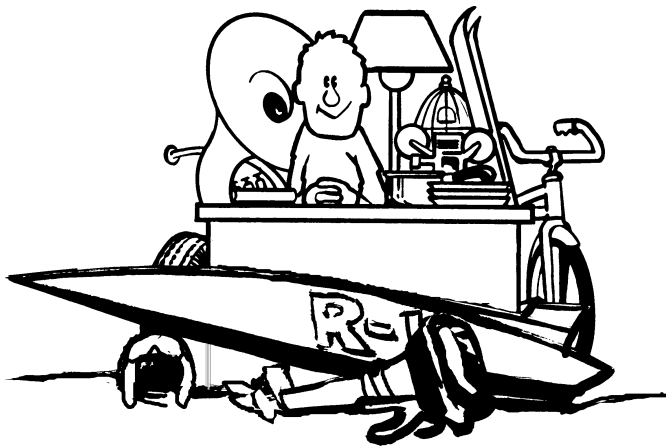
*When the museum display floor is in use, the boats are easily moved back to the workshop.*



*Nick Scott and J.W. Myers work on Nick's 2006 Ride.*



*Folding jigs and David Williams clever use of ropes and pulleys stores the boats between build sessions.*



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The Ball is scheduled for February 25th, 2006 from 6:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m. at the Lake Wilderness Country Club in Maple Valley.

There will be a live band and a silent auction as well as raffle prizes and of course awards presented. The cost for the dinner and all the fun will be \$30.00 per person. Kids 10 and under will eat free.

There will be a golf tournament earlier in the day. A guest speaker is lined up but without confirmation we will withhold the name.

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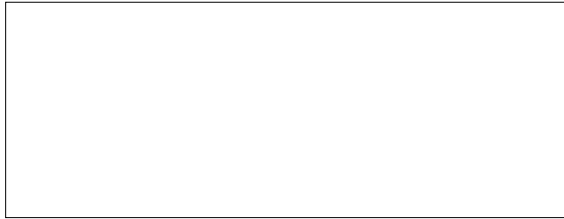


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## SOA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27th AT THE KIRKLAND EAGLES, 258 CENTRAL WAY, KIRKLAND, WA

*The Next General Meeting is at 7:30 p.m.  
 Tuesday, December 27th at the Kirkland Eagles  
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