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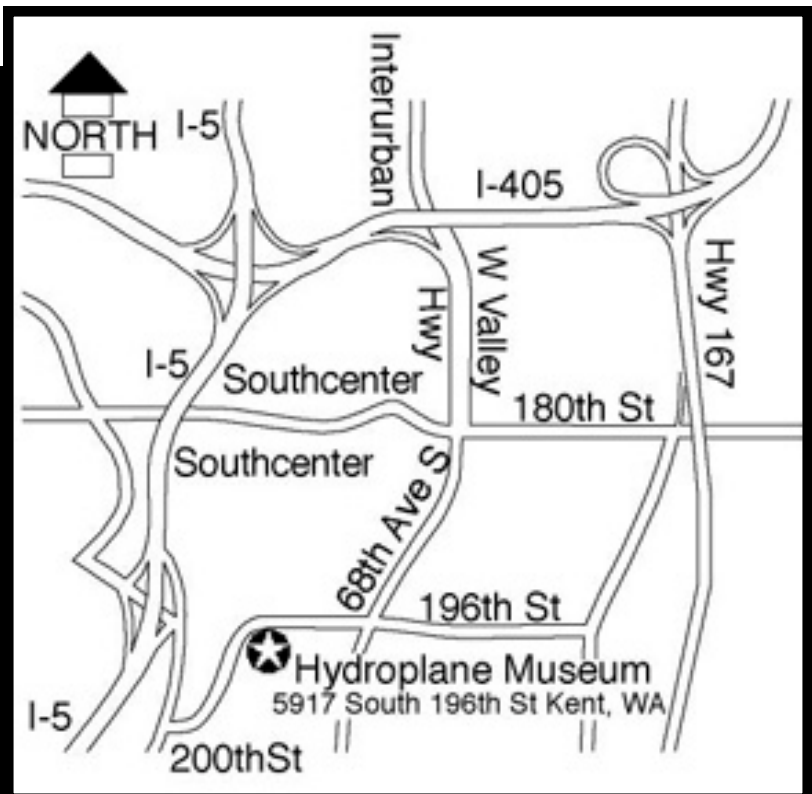
Howdy racers! Here's a reminder that we'll be celebrating SOA's 78th birthday at the Hydroplane and Antique Raceboat Museum in Kent, at 5917 South 196th St. just about two miles south of Renton:

Coming up I-5 from the South take exit 152 and drive South to 200th St then turn right onto 200th which will dogleg North then East again to become 196th st. The Museum will be located roughly at the turn to the East.

Coming down I-5 from the North turn onto I-405, then exit 405 onto West Valley Highway. Drive South to South 196th St and turn right. The museum should be about ten blocks West.

Coming down I-405 through Renton, take the West Valley Highway exit. Drive South to South 196th St and turn right. The museum should be about ten blocks West.

H.A.R.M. HYDRO MUSEUM



FEBRUARY 27th MEETING

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SOA's 2007 NATIONALS WEBSITE

<http://www.07nationals.com/index.htm>

Meeting Minutes

23 January, 2007

Dwight Malhiot opened with a summary of recent meeting activity (Mostly date shuffling due to weather driven by the need to determine election results) and read off winners for board positions.

Activity Reports:

Stock:

Dave Anderson told members what he expected to see presented at the APBA national meeting, noting that both he and Jim Nilsen had gotten a lot of membership input. Dave added that he'll present a report on the 2007 Nationals, and thanked Pat Gleason for putting together a Power Point presentation for his report.

Dave said her expected some sort of height refinement for the Tohatsu-D motor and Howard Shaw noted that comparative Mercury/Tohatsu lap times from Lawrence Lake were sent off to help resolve perceived performance differences.

Mod:

Howard Shaw wasn't expecting major changes to Mod.

PRO:

Dwight said that with Steve

Greaves already in Los Angeles he had little to offer other than there was an item to switch K-PRO and OSY-400 from pump-gas to alcohol, adding that he didn't think the proposal was likely to fly. Dwight added that the PRO agenda can be read on the PRO website: <http://www.portagebaysystems.com/proweb/>

Dick Rautenberg added that he'd understood there might be a national meeting proposal to restrict skid-fins to aluminum only, and objected, noting a preference for stainless steel fins.

Region Meeting:

Dwight noted the Region 10 meeting will be held Starting 10 a.m. on 24 February, At the Edmonds Yacht Club, With the SOA Commodore's Ball following that evening.

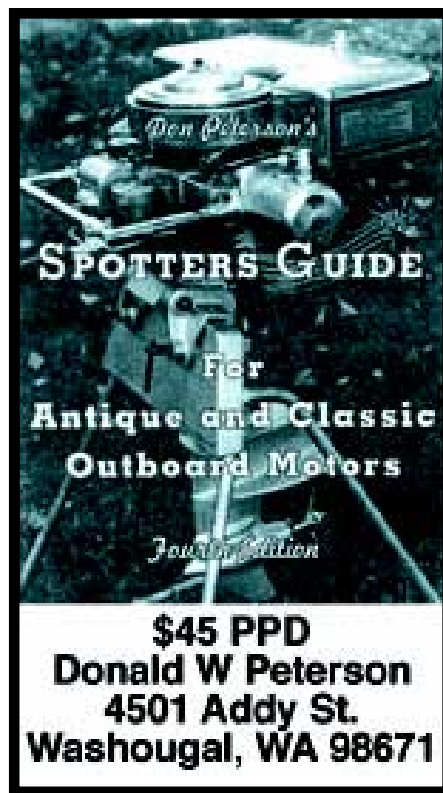
Todd Cragin added that on the Lynnwood Municipal golf course at High Noon that day there'll be a golf tournament with 24 spots/6 foursomes available.

Novice School:

Ryan Johnson told members that Novice School will be in mid-March at the Hydro Museum. Ryan said he's considering some format changes to make the school more of a "hands-on" experience.

Work Party:

Dwight announced that the club work party is scheduled for April



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7th, 9 a.m. at Howard Shaw's in Everett.

Bridgeport:

Dick Rautenberg says he's setting up for an April Bridgeport regatta with letters sent off to the Corps of Engineers. He's already got officials set and a course set-up crew ready. He sees no problem in getting the date's he wants. Dick would like class representatives nominated quickly and hopes the new representatives to go straight to work rooting out entries for the race. He hopes to make Bridgeport a Babcock race,

Inboard Lawrence:

Dwight's been trying to get confirming information, but assumes the classes will be chosen by class reps as in the past. The course at this point

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2007 SCHEDULE

April 28/29
Columbia River, Bridgeport, WA

May 12/13
Inboard Lawrence Lk., Yelm, WA

May 19/20
Kitsap Lake, Bremerton, WA

May 26/27
Willamette River, Newberg, OR

June 2
Silver Lake, Everett, WA

June 23/24
Cullaby Lake, Astoria, OR

July 7/8
Warden Lake, Warden, WA

July 13/14/15 (Friday Testing)
Capitol Lake, Olympia, WA

August 6 thru 12
Stock Nationals, Moses Lake, WA

August 18/19
Silver Lake, Eatonville, WA

September 1/2
Lake Lytle, Rockaway Beach, OR

September 7/8/9
Lawrence Lake, Yelm, WA

September 29/30
Moses Lake, Moses Lake WA

October 6 (7 Blowoff)
D-Lake Kilos Lincoln City, OR



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appears to be a 1-2/3 mile records course again.

Kitsap Lake:

Dwight says that John Erickson's indicated that Kitsap will be generally along last years lines, including the 4-wheelers to tow boats from the water's edge to the upper pits. There's also some interest by the host hotel in more active participation in the regatta.

Silver Lake Everett:

Howard Shaw reported that the annual meeting stream has begun along with submitting the initial permit requests.

Stock/Mod Divisionals:

Jim Nilsen noted that Stock/Mod Nationals will be on a 1-mile records course, 16/17 June at Oroville, CA.

Warden Lake:

Jim Nilsen said that he's considering adding a test day to the warden schedule. The reason is that the regatta will be about a month ahead of Stock/Mod Nationals to be held at nearby Moses Lake and sits at the same altitude, allowing racers to tune for Nationals.

SOA Anniversary Meeting:

Dwight reminded members that our next Meeting (24 February) will be held at the Hydroplane and Antique Raceboat Museum in Kent, where he promises to bring lots of SOA racing video from the early '80s. Dwight

mentioned the H.A.R.M.-J Project and Rockey Peterson told members that construction progress is faster this year, with one boat already mostly complete and ready for decking. Holidays have scattered other families a bit so some are a bit behind schedule.

Other:

Steve Bork asked a Whidbey Roostertails schedule be included in Pit Previews.

Raffle:

Post-it notepads:

Dave Cosette

Microwave Popcorn:

Dwight Malhiot

Canned Tire-Snot:

Steve Bork

Filter Mask:

Aaron Peterson:

Duct Tape:

Keeley Malhiot

Toffee-Popcorn:

Drew Thompson

Disposable Butane lighters:

Keeley Malhiot

Garage Organizer:

Steve Bork

Starting fluid:

Keenan Hegemann

Pass the Pot:

Ella Mae Myers
Gil Allen

Jerry Hopp
Bob Wartinger
Joel Cragin
Zach Malhiot
Mike Jones
Jeff Ewing
Laureen Thorsen
Jim Sturgul
Roy Carriker
Buzz Thorsen
Kyle Lewis
John Erickson
Brian Bartlett
Joanne Hegemann -- Winner
(donated to the club)

SOA NEEDS CLASS REPS

With a fresh racing season on the horizon it's time once again to revitalize SOA's army of Class Representatives, the worker-bees who's efforts keep racers up to speed and root out and round up the players to keep our sport and our club alive and thriving. We need racers hot to motivate other racers to turn out for events...In the end it means more and better racing for al. Right now, for example, Inboard Lawrence is coming up in May, with a mile and two thirds records course likely, and your help to turn out racers could result in great racing and records for SOA Racers.

In representing the interestests of racers in your class your work helps the entire club. Support your club by contacting any Officer or Board member listed on Page 7 on this newsletter to be a class representative.



SEATTLE OUTBOARD WORLD-WIDE

In the thrash of a racing season many interesting stories get passed by, Crowded out by lack of space and/or time. This story was one of them, and acts as an addition to the list of SOA Champions for 2006.

Last Summer, while many of us were scrambling off to Nationals, Bob Wartinger was winning a UIM World Championship in St. Petersburg Russia. The team of Wartinger, Osipov, Novskov, and Ovchinnikov won the 24 hour White Nights Endurance race on the approximately 1.7 mile course around Zayatchy Island.



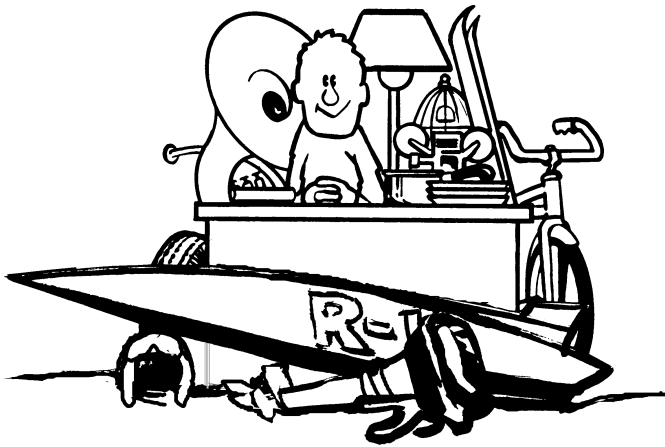
In the top Left photo, Bob's leaving the refueling dock, heading back onto the stormy rough Neva River course. The dome of St. Isac's Cathedral and part of the Hermitage can be seen in the background, and one of the everpresent tourist hydrofoils can be seen cruising just outside the course in the background...And you thought Bassboats were a plague.



The center photo shows Bob balancing his 300 hp 17ft V-Bottom on it's tailin a "needle threading" aim for the narrow opening in the bridge at the end of the Kronverksky Channel.

At the bottom, the winning team of Bob, Veniamin Osipov, Aleksey Novskov, and Andrey Ovchinnikov Let the champagne fly from the podium.

A flash animated view of the race-course layout can be seen here:
<http://www.race24hours.ru/eng/>



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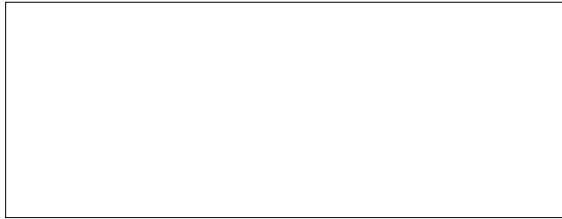


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SOA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24th AT 7:30 pm - H.A.R.M. HYDRO MUSEUM 5917 SO.196th ST KENT, WA

*SOA Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays: 27 February -
 At A.R.M. Hydro Museum 5917 S.O. 196th St Kent, WA*



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