

# SEATTLE OUTBOARD ASSOCIATION PIT PREVIEWS

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## COMMODORE'S BALL

It's nearly time for our annual club party, and members need to send their reservations to Laurie Gleason quickly so that she can ensure preparations are complete to make the event a success. The attached flyer gives details, and offers incentive in price reductions for kids 12 and under and for those who send in reservations.

To reserve a space for golfing (I have reserved a block of time starting at noon.) they should call the Nile @ 425-775-2412 and ask for the pro golf shop. Tell them that you are part of the SOA party. And give them the names of your golf group to reserve your space.

Lauri will be at the general meeting in Jan to collect money

Let's help Laurie make the party a success.

## APBA 2005 REFEREE TEST

Attention Referees --- The new 2005 Referee Test and Answer Sheet is now on the APBA web site. The Test will not be mailed, as it is available for download on the web site in the downloads section:

<http://www.apba-racing.com/Downloads.html>

If you require a copy, please notify APBA to have it mailed to you.

ANY RACE SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 15TH OR LATER MUST HAVE A 2005 APPROVED REFEREE LISTED BEFORE SANCTION CAN BE APPROVED REGARDLESS OF WHEN IT IS SENT IN. (Example: A sanction mailed to APBA February 1 for race dated April 16th must have a 2005 approved Referee.) Please take your test early and avoid any delays in the sanction process.

As a reminder, when you join APBA as a Referee, your membership card will not be sent until you have taken the test.

Thanks to Referees for your cooperation with these testing procedures.

## SOA ANNIVERSARY PARTY

Good news for those looking forward to the end of winter and a shiny new season! Because of the success of last February's Seattle Outboard Association 75th anniversary meeting it's been decided to schedule another club birthday party for our February membership meeting.

We'll be meeting, as usual, at the Kirkland Eagles where we hope to see the same great mix of racers and friends, past and present we saw last year. So start Digging out your old pictures and souvenirs and rehearse all your best "sea stories", and spread the word to all the old boat racers you can find.

We hope to see you there.

# Meeting Minutes

28 December 2004

## Activity Reports:

### *Stock:*

Dave Anderson reported that a decision on the Tohatsu "D" motor should be coming out of the APBA national meeting. Dave also noted a rumor that the man who's been assembling the Merc D may be selling out his interests.

There was discussion of the dates for Winternationals and Divisionals. Currently it appears that Winternationals are tentative for March 12/13. Divisionals are tentative for March 5/6. There is resolution needed to include Mod.

Craig noted that agenda items need to be submitted to representatives for presentation at the national meeting. He went on to suggest that such items be sent as soon as possible and added that this applies to all categories.

### *Mod:*

Ryan Johnson offered explanation

of the region negotiations that are keeping Mod Divisionals unresolved.

### *PRO:*

Steve Greaves Noted that there have been no bids for PRO Divisionals as yet, and added that this should be a California host year.

### *APBA:*

Craig noted word that APBA will be switching insurance carriers to K&K in 2005. Craig was unsure of details regarding numbers. He did note that this will likely mean we'll have to submit new photos of all sites we race on.

In discussion it was noted that it appears that insurance cost is lowered for a two-day event, but there will be a reduction in the savings for filing a sanction on-line. And there appear to be serious price breaks for 3-day and longer events, which might lead to more testing days and could lower cost substantially for nationals.

### **Old business:**

#### *Kaiser Fund:*

Craig Fjarlie reported that an initial check has been sent off to

the Kaisers, and that SOA and CORA are still collecting for the fund.

### *Club Party:*

Kyle Bahl reported that things are humming along for the Commodore's Ball. There have been no changes to the schedule and his Mom (Lauri Gleason) is hoping to see those RSVPs mailed in.

Craig Fjarlie noted the date and flyers included in pit previews and added that it costs less if you register in advance and that there were discounts for kids under 12. He added that RSVPs should be in by 10 February and offered a brief description of what will take place.

### **New Business:**

#### *Class Reps:*

Craig Fjarlie noted that we were very late in nominating class representatives last year and called for nominations at the meeting. Members submitted a list of candidates which will be published separately in Pit Previews.

#### *Race Directors' Meeting:*

It was announced that the annual Race Directors' Meeting is tentatively set for 10 a.m. February 5th at the Kirkland Eagles.

#### *Novice School:*

Ryan Johnson says that nothing is firm as of this time. Craig Fjarlie noted that there have been suggestions for a series of "mini-schools" at races in addition to the regular novice school.

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*Video:*

Craig Fjarlie told members that Dave Anderson would be showing a video of the current layout at Capitol Lake following the meeting. The video shows changes to the site following earthquake repair, and shows the new pit and camping areas.

*2005 Schedule Notes:*

Craig Fjarlie noted a few early 2005 events of significance.

**Bridgeport - April 30/May 1:**

Craig suggests that racers take advantage of Bridgeport as a test and shake-out for the inboard early Lake Lawrence show on May 14/15.

**Kitsap Lake May 21/22**

Craig notes that John Erickson has been working hard to make Kitsap even better with additional sponsorship. Kitsap gained status as an official Armed Forces day event and Bremerton is looking forward to having us back.

Newberg OR May 28/29 followed by Silver Lake, Everett two weeks later on June 11.

*Nationals Bid:*

Dave Anderson asked if any decision had been reached regarding a bid for Nationals. Craig replied that there would be an informal meeting of the SOA board following the meeting to focus on possible questions and issues for direction. Craig notes some of the issues to be resolved and added that there were options available including potential sites on Moses Lake that might be available.

*Anniversary meeting:*

Pat Gleason told members that the success of the SOA 75th Anniversary meeting led the Board to decide that the February meeting would be another anniversary meeting. E-mail and word of mouth alerts will be sent out as well as word in Pit Previews. Bring Pictures and old time goodies!

*Trophies:*

Kathy Myers asked for the return of club trophies so they may be made ready for re-awarding at the club party.

**Raffle:**

Anti-fog  
J.W. Myers

Popper bag (Party explosives?):  
Troy Holmberg

Armor-all:  
Steve Greaves

WD-40  
Troy Holmberg

**Pass the Pot:**

Michael Bartlett, Dave Losvar, Brian Morgan, Jon Brunet, Rick Herrmann, Mike Cruver, Clyde Ambacher, Mike Jones, Michael

Moreland, Russ Dodge, Norm Bunting, Phil Williams, Jerry Hopp, John Pucek, Lauri Gleason, Kristina Kelly, Bud Weiss,

**J-Dub Myer Winner!**



**NOTE:**

The March Bakersfield race is now set for March 5/6 2005.

Also, at this time Bakersfield is Stock Divisionals only, due to a dispute between Regions 11 and 12 on Mod Divisionals, and likely won't be settled until the National meeting.

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## *Contributors:*

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Total raised to date: \$1,069.87. \$100 was given directly to Ken as cash by contributors. SOA wrote a check on 12/11/04 to Ken for \$451.73. There is currently \$518.14 in the Fund.

## *Kaiser Raffle Prize Donations:*

Sorensen Woodcraft - A/J Hydro kit. A \$345 or higher donation wins it outright, otherwise in stays in the prize pool. Other prizes to date:

CPM/Portage Bay Systems - Steering wheel & base; Side-mount throttle

Woodshed Embroidery - NASCAR leather jacket

Drew Thompson - set of earring sleeves

SRP Racing Products - it's a surprise, and it's really cool!

Pete Wells - gift certificate for a Sidor propellor

## *Donations can be made in two ways:*

1. By mail, sent to:  
Steve Greaves 3110-D Portage Bay Place East, Seattle, WA 98102  
(make check out to SOA). Must be received by January 29, 2005.
2. At the January SOA General Membership Meeting.
3. At the SOA Commodore's Ball, prior to the drawing.



## *Tentative* 2005 SCHEDULE

A tentative schedule of 2005 Region 10 outboard events. Possible changes are noted.

**April 30/May 1**  
Columbia River, Bridgeport, WA

**May 14-15**  
*Possible inboard date for Lawrence Lake - Alternate in September*

**May 21/22**  
Kitsap Lake, Bremerton, WA  
*May 22nd is also the Inboard Spanaway date*

**May 28/29**  
Willamette River, Newberg, OR

**June 11**  
Silver Lake, Everett, WA

**June 25/26**  
Cullaby Lake, Astoria, OR

**July 9/10**  
Scootney Reservoir, Connell, WA  
*May move to alternate date*

**July 16/17**  
Capitol Lake, Olympia, WA

**August 20/21**  
Scootney Reservoir, Connell, WA  
*Alternate date*

**August 27/28**  
Silver Lake, Eatonville, WA  
*May move to later date*

**September 4/5**  
Sutherlin, OR

**September 16/17/18**  
Lawrence Lake, Yelm, WA

**October 1-2**  
Moses Lake, Moses Lake WA

**October 15**  
D-Lake Kilos Lincoln City, OR



# CLASS REP LIST

At the January Seattle Outboard Association general membership meeting a draft was held for racing class representatives, who will work to coordinate and represent racers in their class to participate in races and club activities.

The following members were chosen as class representatives by the membership:

**J- Hydro/Runabout:**

Aaron Peterson

**K-PRO Hydro:**

Jonathan Nilsen

**A-Stock Hydro/Runabout:**

Mike Perman

**20ss hydro:**

Roy Blackwell

**25ss Runabout:**

Troy Holmberg

**C-Stock Hydro:**

Jamie Nilsen

**C-Stock Runabout:**

Drew Thompson

**D-stock Hydro:**

Todd Cragin

**45ss:**

Wayne Peeters

**AXS Hydro:**

Ryan Johnson

**AXS Runabout:**

Kyle Lewis

**Formula-A Hydro:**

Ryan Johnson

**C-mod Hydro:**

Gene Laes

**D-Mod Hydro:**

Steve Peterson

**Formula-E Hydro/Runabout:**

Howard Shaw

**125/250cc Hydro/Runabout:**

Dean Hobart

**350cc Hydro:**

Bill Diamond

**500/1100cc Runabout:**

Dwight Malhiot

**C-Service/Racing:**

George Thornhill

**OSY-400:**

Kyle Bahl

**500cc Sprint Hydro:**

Kevin Martin

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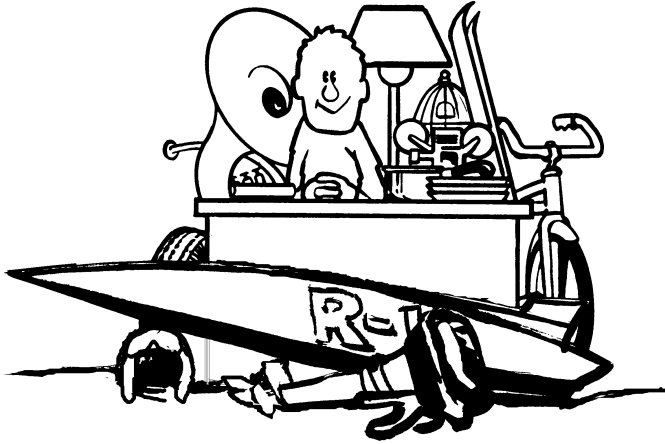
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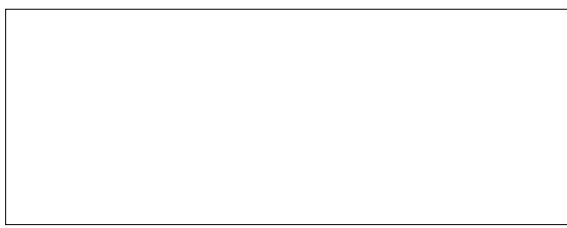
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*The Next General Meeting is at 7:30 p.m.  
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