## PIT PREVIEWS - MARCH 2023

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#### Hello SOA!

We are officially in the last month without a boat race! Can you believe it? It feels like just yesterday we were at Lawrence Lake on the world's fastest water.

As we ramp up to race season, keep an eye out on your email and social media for important information from the club. Race directors are already sending out information to reserve camping spots. As a reminder, helmets dated Snell 2010 expire this year. As we approach the first race take a moment to look at yours and make sure you are set to compete! On the officials side, APBA, Region 10, and SOA are buttoning up all of their winter meetings and publications. It looks like we should see updated rule books from APBA soon, and the full region 10 schedule is being finalized.

See you soon! SOA BOD and Officers

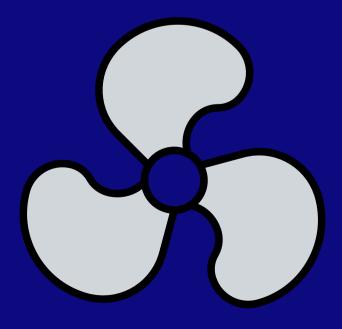
## **Kenmore Slough**

Race director Jan Shaw has been working closely with the city and some local sponsorship connections to make this event possible this year. It hasn't been easy, but the city is EXTREMELY excited to welcome us back, and we are happy to support communities that support us. A HUGE thank you to the sponsors for this years event, US Plywood Supply and 192 Brewing Company. Make sure if you are in the area, you give them your support and say thank you for supporting boat racing. JOT registration is coming soon! Watch for a notification from the club. Official event poster attached.

### **Moses Lake**

Have you heard? There's 2 Moses Lake events this year! Our first one in April will be a 3 day event, similar to Lawrence, with testing on Friday and racing on Saturday and Sunday.

If you would like to reserve your camping spot, reach out to race director Daren Goehring at mercguy63@comcast.net





## **Spring Yelm**

PNBRA (the new inboard club in Region 10) has invited us to race select outboard classes at Lawrence Lake in April. This year, they will be running a 1 ¼ mile course. As always, this is an invitational event and only select classes will be eligible to attend. To maximize the number of people who will take a shot at a record, classes will be one day.

Here are the classes for this event. Please let your class rep or Jason Diamond know if you plan to attend.

Saturday - 300ssH, KProR, 200MH, CSR, DSH, CSH Sunday - OSY400, 500MH, AXH, 25ssR, 20ssH, BSH

### **Castle Rock**

As mentioned before, Castle Rock is getting a new race commitee! This year Johnny Adams and Dave Anderson are taking over from Kyle Bahl as co race directors. Please reach out to Johnny (john.k.adams@outlook.com) with your trailer information. As a reminder, there are no motor homes allowed in the park.

## **Angle Lake**

One thing that makes Angle Lake special is the support we get from the community on the lake. We have a few dedicated individuals who call Angle Lake home who are dedicated to making this event special. They are working behind the scenes with Matt and Kelsie to organize additional attractions to bring in the community and make the entire weekend more of a spectacle! We really appreciate the work of Fuzz Hill who is leading this effort.

After a very successful New Folks in Boats program in 2022, we are VERY excited to get to bring an SOA drivers school back to Angle Lake in 2023. Spots will be limited again, so please reach out to Kelsie now if you have interested parties in participation. Also, Angle Lake is officially a Seafair event again! We will be running the Seafair J Hydro Championship. Watch for more promotion from the Seafair organization, and keep an eye out in the pits on race weekend for those Seafair Clowns!

### Lawrence Lake

The most frequently asked question about our last race of the year is what size course we will be running. Start testing your 1 mile course set ups now, to take a shot at the record course!



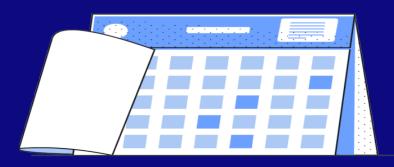
## 2024 Stock, Mod and J Nationals

At the national meeting, SOA was awarded the Stock, Mod, and J Nationals to be held in Moses Lake in 2024! We are SO excited to have this event back in region 10, and cannot wait to show the country what SOA has to offer.

Nationals events are a lot of work, and require helping hands on all levels. If you are interested in helping in any capacity or have ideas for this event, reach out to a board member!

## 2023 SOA Schedule

- April 15 Kenmore WA Sammamish Slough Exhibition Select Vintage Outboard
- April 21-23 Moses Lake WA Moses Lake #1 Western Stock and Mod Championships, Testing Friday, Stock, Mod, Pro, J
- May 6-7 Castle Rock WA Mt St Helens Regatta Stock, Mod, Pro, J
- May 20-21 Bremerton WA Armed Forces Day Regatta Stock, Mod, Pro, J
- June 3-4 Everett WA Howard Shaw Memorial Regatta Stock, Mod, Pro, J
- August 12-13 Moses Lake WA Moses Lake #2 Pro and Mod Western Championships, Stock, Mod, Pro, J
- Sept 9-10 SeaTac WA Frank Hansen Memorial by Seafair New Folks in Boats, Seafair J Championship, Stock, Mod, J, Select Pro
- September 15-17 Yelm WA Lake Lawrence Record Course, Stock, Mod, Pro, J





### From the Desk of the Commodore

Racing season continues to rapidly approach. Our race directors are hard at work on the permitting process and pre-race organization that is required for our events to happen. Race directors have a time consuming job, so be sure to say thanks when you see them at a race. When figuring out how many classes you will race this year, Please keep in mind finding time to volunteer at the races. Some of our members volunteer all year long in the form of running the club, others just for a few hours on a Saturday. It really does take everyone to pitch in and do their part. The drivers that run one class shouldn't have to volunteer all day for those who run 5 classes. Just something to keep in mind. Please attend our online meetings, they are the 4 th Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm, watch the club email for the link. This is our way to get you race updates and important information. Meetings usually take an hour, and you can attend from the comfort of home.

Jason

## 2023 Officers and BOD Contact

- Commodore Jason Diamond jasondiamond713@yahoo.com
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- Board Jim Nilsen jnilsen529@comcast.net

### 2023 Class Reps

The role of the SOA class rep is to coordinate between the participants in each racing class to make sure the class has enough participants for any given event. They may be asked by a race committee about any particular event to help report class count or to rally the troops and fill some vacancies. Please reach out to the representatives for the classes you intend to run so that they can get an idea of who to be reaching out to for our events this season.

- JH/JR Kannon Cushing/Cushing Family brandon.cushing@ferguson.com
- AXH/AXR Brody Wyant/Wyant Family dan@accelnet.net
- ASH/ASR Kierra Marquard mbtcm@comcast.net
- BSH Linkous Family linkousfamily@sbcglobal.net
- 300ssh Tay Diamond diamond.tay@yahoo.com
- CSH/20ssh Johnny Adams john.k.adams@outlook.com
- 25ssR Lee Sutter leesutter82@gmail.com
- CSR Kyle Bahl racerkyle@hotmail.com
- DSH Aaron Adams baamadams@frontier.com
- 200MH Bob Smiley rsmiley2@centurylink.net
- 300MH OPEN Reach out if interested
- 500MH Justin Menard justinmenard@comcast.net
- 750ccMH/850ccMH Daren Goehring mercguy63@comcast.net
- KProH Harper Kelly-Moen/Kelly-Moen Family iloveharper14@gmail.com
- KProR OPEN Reach out if interested
- OSY400 Ryan Gowin rgowin33@gmail.com
- 350ccH Zach Malhiot zach.malhiot@gmail.com
- 700ccR/1100ccR Chad Eagon/Nathan Adams chadeagon@yahoo.com, nadams65r@gmail.com
- C Service Jim Nilsen jnilsen529@comcast.net
- F500 Brent Hall/Jeff Kelly info@brenthallracing.com, kelly42r@aol.com

## **SOA Website Refresh**

The SOA website is getting a makeover! Kyle Bahl has been leading the charge getting our new website up to date and it should be live soon. Watch for the announcement!

## **Mountlake Terrace Car Show**

There is a car show on July 15th at the Nile Golf Course in Mountlake Terrace that has reached out to us interested in having boats at the event! If you are interested in bringing a boat out and talking about boat racing, reach out to Ron Magnuson! Rumor has it that there are a few SOA BOD members interested in a round of golf afterwards.

## **Minimum Boat Count**

After discussion, the board has decided to continue with maintaining the SOA 5 boat minimum rule. Remember, if you are participating in a class with less than 5 boats that does NOT mean you don't get to race, it just means that you will likely be combined and run together with another class. With that, board members are working on adapting 2 versions of an SOA standard schedule. One with 3 flights and one with 4, giving a choice for what is best based on the situations at any given event. As always, the race committee can make decisions to ensure the success of their individual events.



### **SOA Club Cut Gear**

After taking inventory of the club truck, Ron Magnuson has discovered that there is some of the SOA cut gear missing from the truck. If you have some that you borrowed and did not return, please reach out to Ron so he can account for it!

The club uses the gear it owns to help get new racers on the water and loans it out as needed. It is important to try and track all of the gear down so we can continue to do so.

## SOA Membership Update

Registered Members for 2023: 127 Brand New Members in 2023: 9

The next round of SOA cards are set to be sent out early next week! Keep an eye on your mailbox if you haven't received one yet.

## **Eric Peterson Memorial Foundation**

SOA would like to thank the Eric Peterson Memorial Foundation for their donation to provide 4 new helmets to be used in SOA driving school. The foundation was created in memory of late SOA member Eric Peterson, and strives to help provide funds to promote the safety of children on the water.

To read more, or make a donation to the hydroplane division of their organization, visit https://www.ericpetersonmemorialfoundation.com/.



### **New Class!**

At the APBA National Meeting, the new Class Committee approved KPro Runabout as a new class! We are looking forward to seeing this class run at SOA events. If you are interested in being the SOA class rep, please let us know.

## **APBA Random Drug Testing**

In case you haven't heard, APBA is implementing random drug testing this year. 2% of all drivers, officials, and race committee will be tested at random at randomly selected APBA events. These drug tests will test for the 6 major opiates, but will NOT test for THC.

If you are on prescription medication that could show up on a test, you should be bringing that to the race site with you as evidence in case you are selected. These prescription medications should not be labeled as should not operate machinery while taking. Refusal to test if selected will count as a failure. Failures will be punishable with yellow and/or red cards.

For more information, reach out to APBA.

## **SOA Meeting Schedule**

The BOD is planning on hosting fully virtual meetings in March for both the BOD meetings and general membership meetings. The BOD meeting will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month (3/14) at 7PM. The general meeting will be the 4th Tuesday of the month as usual (3/28). Links will be emailed out to the membership for the general meeting as we get closer.

As a reminder, BOD meetings are available to the general membership to listen in so reach out to a BOD member if you'd like to participate.

## **ADVERTISEMENTS**

## **Advertisement Info**

YOUR BUSINESS HERE!!! Advertise your business to almost 200 members and support the SOA Promotional Fund. Advertisement options are below. Costs are good for the season. If you would like to have an advertisement in the Pit Preview please reach out to secretary@seattleoutboard.org.

Payment will be coordinated with the SOA Treasurer before ad is included.

Swap and Shop - Quick notes about equipment for sale - Free

Business Card - \$15 1/4 page - \$25 Half Page - \$50 Full Page - \$100





## **ADVERTISEMENTS**

Sorenson "c" hydro for sale Solid non leaker boat \$500.00 4 boat open trailer with front engine box \$900.00 OBO David Salmon (206)518-0214



Dartcraft CSH, built in 2020, never raced but has been out testing. Complete with hardware, no Micron. Reach out to Dewey Anderson. (Photo Shown) \$2200.

9'8" Karelsen, Raced as 350 MOD Hydro, Hardware, pipe Puller w Pipe. Miscellaneous Yamato Engine Parts. Includes (2) boat dollies. Custom 3 boat trailer. Always garaged. \$3,500. Held the "Restricted B" 1989 & 1990 Yelm Record.

Ric Montoya would rebuild the Yamato to Race Ready, (Cost ?)

Rick Herrmann 253-448-9997 e mail Racinricky@msn.com



### February 28, 2023 - General Meeting via Google Meet

#### Call to Order:

Time: 7:31

#### New Guests/Attendance:

- Officers Jason Diamond, Ron Magnuson, Kelsie Eagon, Travis Kauth, Jim Tryon
- Past Commodore Daren Goehring absent and excused
- **BOD** Doug Martin, Jim Nilsen, Matt Yarno, Johnny Adams, Kyle Bahl Johnny Adams absent
- Attendance 19

#### Motion to Approve January Minutes:

As published in the Feb Pit Previews edition 119 Motion: Doug Martin Second: Travis Kauth

#### **Treasurer Report:**

- General: \$4,068.47
- Equipment: \$12,671.78
- Promo: \$12,319.76
- Total: \$29,030.01
- Big scary time where we pay out a lot of money and get not very much in
- When we get low, we can transfer from one fund and repay it back later in the year when we get some revenue
- Missing one expense and one revenue here (Castle Rock sanicans, and Eric Peterson memorial check)

#### **Activity Reports:**

#### Stock: Lee Sutter and Carl Lewis

- Only thing going on is that there is a 25ssR ballot to increase the rate on mercury engines. If you race 25ssR last year please reach out to Carl Lee or Howie for the ballot
- Carl sent out emails to all people who raced last year
- Cannot use your cell phone if you are a turn judge at stock
- Lee still working on 300 props
- Letter from sidewinder with information about new production updates
  - 15 orders to be filled by late Spring

#### Mod: Daren Goehring

- No Daren or Laurie to report
- Not a lot going on
- Adopted cell phone rule in turns as well

• Merc is a legal 200M motor now

#### Pro: Lee Tietze and Nathan Adams

- Doug filling in report
- Big news is the approval of KPro runabout

#### J: Matt Yarno and Jim Nilsen

- Nothing since national meeting, just some minor clean up rules
- Availability of lower units and motors continue to be an issue

#### Equipment Report: Ron Magnuson

- Outdated drivers school helmets
  - There were 5 expired and we are replacing them
- Grant from the Eric Peterson Memorial Foundation for 4 new helmets
- Jim N picked up the scales to take them for certification
- Kyle Bahl is working on getting new helmets
- No formal work party, but Ron has a few people asking to come over and help individually

#### **Completed Race Reports:**

#### Kenmore April 15

- All permits are in and good to go
- Bridge is wider which is nice
- Old rowing thing is gone, and they are on the water from 9 to noon, we will start at noon
- Jason is helping with a poster and Jan will share it

#### Moses Lake #1 April 21-23

- Not a lot going on, waiting for the insurance package.
- Sending money for permits for parks, etc.
- Western championships for stock and mod
- Insured testing Friday

#### Castle Rock May 6-7

• Regular race, no special events

#### Bremerton May 20-21

• No update

#### **Everett June 3-4**

• No update

#### Moses Lake #2 August 12-13

• No update

#### SeaTac September 9-10

- Working on game plan and promotion
- Promotion will need help from club members
- Fuzz will reach out for more information for the event on the website
- Seafair promotion should be a lot more active this year as well

• Positive response from the Seafair clowns

#### Yelm September 15-17

- 1 mile
- Insured testing on Friday
- Move in Thursday at noon like always

#### Other Interesting Races:

- CORA/NBC Newberg May 28-29
  - 300ss NAC
  - F500 Nationals
- CORA Cullaby Lake #1 June 18-19
  - Western stock and junior divisionals
- CORA Cullaby Lake #2 Sept 23-24
  - New Race
  - A little worried that people won't want to race after Lawrence, so they might try to add somethings
    - Marathon?
    - Drivers school?
- CORA Lincoln City Devils Lake Oct 7-8
  - Kilos and ¼ mi straight away
  - Moved date to try to accommodate inboards
  - Huge seaweed problem and the state was not a big help
    - Locals are doing their own harvesting
  - State just approved introduction of grass carp in the lake to keep up with this if they can lower it down once
    - They fish will eat their body weight in seaweed every day
    - Unknown how many carp they have approval to put in
    - Selvidge thinks that this should get things under control
    - These fish are the same as Depue and will be jumping out of the water....YAY
  - Selvidge also thinks that this weekend is going to be a better weather window

#### **Old Business:**

#### Membership: Kelsie

- 120 current members, 9 new to 2023
- Cards are current before last week will send more this weekend
- Remember to join by March 31 for reduced fee
- Reminder that life members still need to fill out the form

#### **Commodores Ball Recap: Kelsie**

• Thank you to everyone who came.

- Thank you to Jason and Missi, Matt and Dawn, Travis, Findley, Peeters Girls, Gleason, Nilsen, Tronson, and everyone who helped me set up
- Great time honoring award winners and past commodore Daren Goehring
- Big thank you to a very generous donation from one of our racing families who helped us break even

#### Website: Kelsie

- New website coming soon
- Kyle Bahl is working with me and done most of the work to date
- Will be on the old url when we get it set up and we will announce when the new site is live
- Focusing on getting things set up for registration and then promotion
- Very functional and easy to use and modern looking
- Kyle spoke to the ease of use and how nice it is and fun to play with

#### **Drivers Meeting:**

- Voicing again that there are changes to come to the race day drivers meeting
- Working to try and reduce some of the things that we talk about at drivers meeting so that we are already ready to go.
  - Trying to get on the water sooner and make things easier

#### **New Business:**

#### APBA Membership:

- Cards will come out when they can
- Last day to renew APBA membership at discounted rate
  - Consider joining your family and crew members and for SOA!
  - Goes up \$45-\$75 after midnight

#### Eric Peterson Foundation Grant Explanation: Kyle Bahl

- At the last BOD meeting Kyle reached out to Pam (Eric's sister) who is covering 4 RZ 62s for the new helmets that will be Snell2020 (\$1500)
- Caveat, they aren't going to sponsor Castle Rock with the helmet donation
- Foundation based on donations from other people, and there was not a ton of traffic on the racing side of things (which we maybe didn't promote enough)
  - We are going to assist trying to get more funds into the racing side of the foundation
    - We'll do some sort of fundraising for this, and we'll have plenty of promotion for them on our socials and website
- Jim and Jason are going to coordinate payment once we receive the check
- Very generous of Pam and a very big thank you to her and the organization! **Spring Yelm:** 
  - 1 ¼ mile
  - Invitational for select outboards
  - Reaching out to class reps to say if we can get these classes confirmed

- Saturday 300ss, KProR, AXH, CSR, DSH, CSH
- Sunday OSY400, 500MH, 200MH, 25ssR, 350ccH (Pro), 20ssH
- One day racing for outboards, with 6 classes each day
- We have to be careful to make sure we have the correct classes figured out in advance so they can plan accordingly for what days to show up
- Intent of the inboard group is to run a few heats of outboard, then a few hears of inboard

#### National Meeting Recap:

- Congrats to Members:
  - Jan Shaw Honor Squadron
  - Jon Nilsen, Carson Kelly, J Michael Kelly Hall of champions

#### New Class Committee approved KProR:

• Concerned about requests from racers regarding schedule changes and whatnot, but we will deal with this when we get there

#### APBA Random Drug Testing:

- Random races, and random people will be selected
- 2% of drivers, officials, and race committee will be tested at a select race
- Does not test for THC
- Tests for 6 major opiates
- If you have medications that you think will pop you need to bring them and they need to be current. No notices for not operating machinery
- Double yellow card and mandatory testing at next event for failing
- Refusal counts as failures

#### Stock, Mod, and J nationals at Moses Lake 2024:

- Nationals is coming to Moses Lake!
- Nationals committee being created soon
- Going to need some help raising some money
- Going to reach out to APBA marketing and see what they have to help us

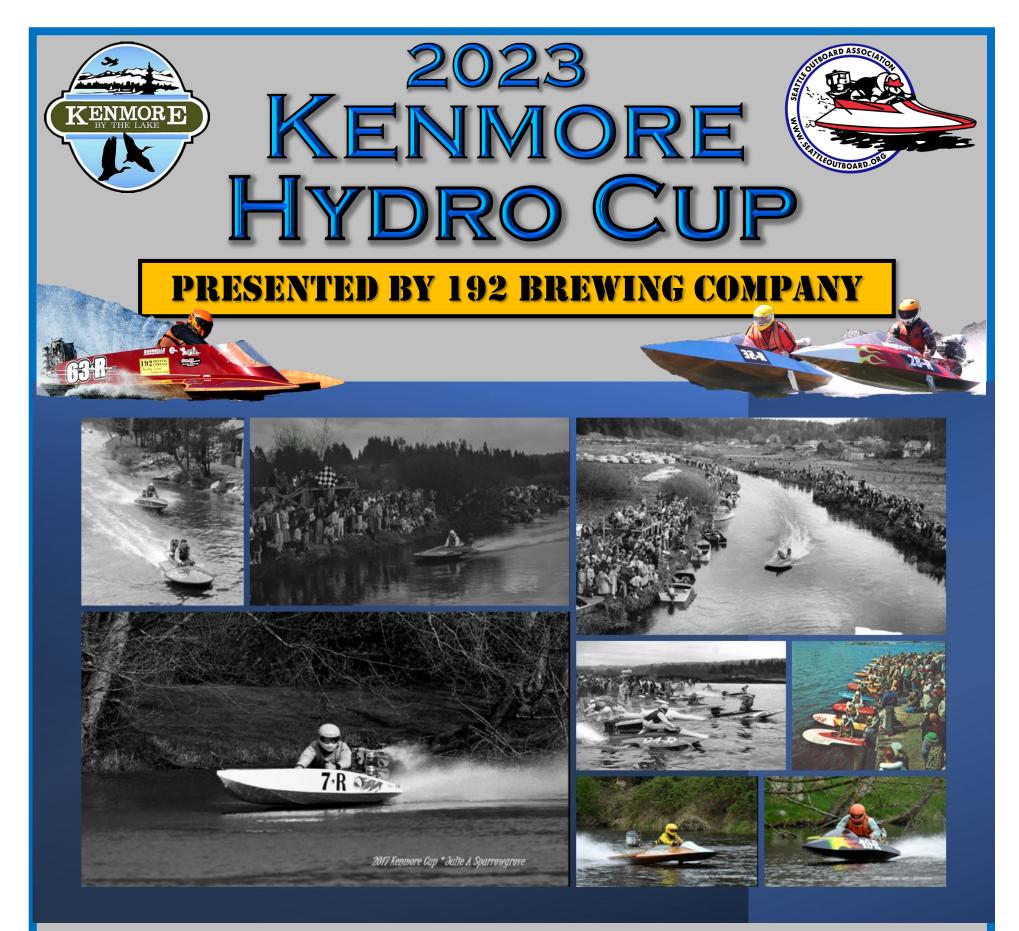
#### **Round Table**

- Bob Wartinger last friday was when the BOD proposals went to the safety committee and that's what they are going through now. Lots of time being spent on this, and safety committee doesn't totally agree with what the categories had.
- Carl Lewis Kilos in Oroville are on but APBA isn't helping get a JOT March 25/26
- Jan Shaw going to be a busy season!
- Matt Yarno Friday night before the slough at 192 for a party and boats on display. Details to come!
- Missi Diamond had a good scorers meeting on Saturday at the region meeting. Please give the scorers some patience this year while we use the program

- Rick Tronson thanks for joining on Zoom. Thinks we need to encourage more people in the club to join the meeting and listen. Allows you to voice your opinion and stay up to speed, so we should all be talking about it.
  - Jason: torn between putting it everywhere and advertising in person meetings which aren't easy
  - Jan: appreciates online meetings for her attendance
  - In person meetings need some sort of hybrid
- Kelsie: You gotta tell me if you need an email sent out to the club!

#### Ending:

Motion to adjourn: Travis Kauth Second: Jim Nilsen Time: 8:30



# EXHIBITION RUNS SATURDAY, APRIL 15TH 12 NOON-4PM OPENING CEREMONIES WILL BEGIN AT THE

## KENMORE BOAT LAUNCH RAMP 10:00 AM

