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## 2023 Executive Board

### PRESIDENT

Doug Smock

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Matt Schofield

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Tom Kelly

### DISTRICT 3

Mark Grannis

### DISTRICT 4

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### DISTRICT 5

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### DISTRICT 6

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### DISTRICT 7

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### DISTRICT 12

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### DISTRICT 13

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#### SECRETARY

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#### PAST PRESIDENTS

*(See History Section of Rule Book)*

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National Safety Director

National Records Director

National Tech Chair

National Techs - Hydro & Mono

National Scale Director

National Outboard Director

Social Media Director

**Officers contact info on final pages.**

### ON THE COVER: Photo credit JJ Sports Photos.

A minor mishap at the recent SOWEGA GP race wasn't enough to keep "Miss Color Me Gone" out of the action. A little duct tape and a couple band-aids to fix the boo boo— and off for another heat!

### EVENT FLYERS

May be included with Race Listings on [website](#).

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## President's Corner

Doug Smock, IMPBA President

I hope everyone has completed their winter builds, and performed the required maintenance on their fleets. The racing season has already begun down south. Brandon Model Boaters hosted the Winter Nitro Championships in January in Florida, SpeedWeek 2023 was held in Georgia during the first week of February, and the first D13 Grand Prix hosted by SOWEGA Model Boaters was held at the end of February, also in Georgia. A great kick off, and there will be plenty more to do this season!

As of this report, we have more than 800 members renewed, with 65 new members who have joined this year. That is slightly above our normal average for this time of year. We have 39 clubs registered. Out of those, three are new to IMPBA: Valley RC Boat Club in D1 in Pennsylvania, Stony Pond FE Model Boat Club in D1 in New York, and Carolina RC Water Burners in D12, in North Carolina. Welcome to the IMPBA guys!

We have 45 events sanctioned so far. Among them are the **Gas Nationals June 1st – 4th hosted by the Huntsville Model Boat Association**, and the **Nitro Nationals July 13th – 15th hosted by the Cincinnati Model Boat Club**. It looks like both are shaping up to be great events! Good luck to all the participants who are hoping to go win a special award or trophy competing against some of the best in the hobby. Check out the calendar and district reports for more. Watch the online Events Calendar pages for any late additions or changes to the schedule.

The Board of Directors continues to work on, and update, the rule book. It seems never ending, but we are up to the task. You have assembled a great group to work with. They take their positions very seriously, and have the best interest of the hobby in mind in all decisions they make.

Safety is first and foremost. Let's make sure we do all we can to keep spectators and our membership safe. Review your rule book Safety Section before the season starts. Much is common sense, but it never hurts to be reminded of some of the tips for safe boating.

A special thanks to our Social Media Director, Brandon Atwell for his work on our IMPBA facebook page. Send items you would like to post to: [impbaphoto@gmail.com](mailto:impbaphoto@gmail.com) ♦

“ That's all for now. Keep the wet side down, and I'll see you at the pond. ”



Contact Doug at [smockrc@aol.com](mailto:smockrc@aol.com)

## DISTRICT VOTE POWER FOR 2023

Based on number of voting eligible members at end of 2022. Junior members have no voting rights and do not count toward district vote power.

District	Voting eligible members	Juniors excluded	Vote Power
D1	110	(6)	2
D2	154	(8)	2
D3	91	(10)	1
D4	71	(9)	1
D5	100	(6)	1
D6	26	(3)	1
D7	17	(0)	1
D8*	2	(0)	0
D9*	6	(0)	0
D10*	0	(0)	0
D11*	3	(0)	0
D12	126	(22)	2
D13	80	(13)	1
D14	105	(25)	2
D21*	5	(0)	0

\* Vacant board positions.

All other voting board positions receive 1 power vote per Constitution & Bylaws.

Total 2022 voting membership 896.

Total membership including Juniors 998.

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# EXPENSES • BALANCES • INCOME

## EXPENSES - First period of Fiscal Year (Nov.1, 2022 through Feb. 28, 2023)

CATEGORY	NOV 22	DEC 22	JAN 23	FEB 23
Federal 941 - Qtrly WTH tax			1,010.70	
Federal 940 - Annual FUTA Tax			42.00	
Indiana Incorporation Fee - 2 yr.		22.00		
Ohio Corp fee - 5 yr.				
Ohio - Qtrly WTH Tax			90.00	
City - Qtrly WTH Tax			122.52	
ODJFS - Qtrly UC Tax (based on cap)				
BWC - Annual Tax				
Payroll - Net	1,350.55	1,350.55	1,350.55	1,350.55
PO Box Fee - Annual	182.00			
Carbonite Backup - Annual				
Phone	29.84	29.84	29.78	30.01
WiFi Connection				
Website / Securty / CarePan / Domain	498.35		1,020.00	
Conference Call Fees				
CPA/Professional Fees		85.00	540.00	
Postage/Stamps		160.39	160.38	
Office supplies/toner/paper/env	34.98		67.09	
Printing - Roostertail		179.24		
Mailing - Roostertail		29.04		
Printing - Rule Books				
Mailing - Rule Books				
Other printing	853.26	14.23		
Other shipping				
Refunds (duplicates/overpays)				
PayPal / Bank Fees Net	117.69	827.11	225.59	153.42
Regatta /Trophies				
Wristbands/Life cards				
Miscellaneous				
Officers INSURANCE -1 yr		1,281.00		
Liability INSURANCE -1 yr.		4,141.00		
<b>MONTHLY TOTALS</b>	<b>\$3,066.67</b>	<b>\$8,119.40</b>	<b>\$4,658.61</b>	<b>\$1,533.98</b>

### OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STRUCTURE

The IMPBA organization is a 501(c)(4) non-profit corporation. Sources of income include: Memberships, Club Sanction Fees, Race & Record Trial Sanction Fees, and Newsletter Sponsor Fees. Other fees include printed Rule Book and printed Newsletter, however, costs for these items may exceed fees charged. Donations to the organization are accepted, but are not tax deductible as IMPBA is not a charitable organization. The Secretary & Treasurer ensure compliance with all Federal, State and Local laws regarding non-profit corporations. Year-end 990 Federal Informational Return is prepared by Vowells & Schaaf, LLP, CPAs. Compliance with By-Laws & Constitution of the IMPBA are ensured in that no two persons domiciled together may sign for any funds. Three officers hold signature rights on the bank accounts. The organization holds a Savings Account and Checking Accounts for normal business operations, and uses PayPal for processing of memberships and fees other than those received by check or money order. Fund transfers are routinely done. The bank accounts are currently no fee (with exception for non-sufficient fund, returned items, or foreign conversion). Transaction processing fees are based on a percentage of transaction plus a flat rate amount per transaction.

Petty cash will be paid by MasterCard and a detailed report is received by Treasurer monthly. No cash fund is kept at the office. All expenses require a valid receipt be on file.

### ACCOUNT BALANCES

Period ending **FEBRUARY 28, 2023**

#### Bank Accounts

CHECKING  
**\$60,918.96**

PAYPAL TRANSFER ACCOUNT  
**\$250.00**

SAVINGS  
(insurance account)  
**\$15,003.52**

#### PayPal Merchant Account

PAYPAL SYSTEM BALANCE  
**\$1,518.49**

### INCOME BY CATEGORY\*

(FY NOV. 1, 2022 to FEB. 28, 2023)

SENIOR MEMBERSHIPS  
**\$26,340**

FAMILY/JUNIOR  
MEMBERSHIPS  
**\$1,800**

SINGLE-EVENT  
OTHER ORGANIZATION FEES  
**\$195**

CLUB REGISTRATIONS  
& ADDITIONAL SITES  
**\$1,660**

RACE/RECORD SANCTIONS  
**\$700**

ROOSTERTAIL PRINT VERSION  
**\$90**

ROOSTERTAIL ADVERTISING  
**\$60**

CONTRIBUTIONS  
**\$100**

INTEREST  
**\$1**

\* TOTAL to-date, before expenses



## Director Elections Notice 2023

The following positions will be up for election in 2023:

**District 1, 4, 6, 8, 13 /**  
**National Large Scale Gas / National Fast Electric**  
for 3-year terms to begin Jan. 1, 2024.

**Nominations for positions up for election are due by JULY 31, 2023.**  
**Ballots and bios for any new nominees will appear in the August newsletter.**  
**Director voting is each October.**

A ballot will not be run for unopposed incumbent positions (*with the exception of office of President*).

For chart of positions open for next year see final page of the IMPBA Constitution.  
Refer to Rule Book Section B - Constitution, Article V- Officers & Executive Board, and Article VI - Nominations.

\* The elected Director must represent a minimum of 15 voting eligible IMPBA memberships.  
Members within an ineligible district may elect a Director; however, he/she will have no voting rights.

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# Silent Engine



*Terry Molnar*

*IMPBA Member #9381 S • Joined 1984*

## **Terry Molnar**

**January 2, 1951 – December 19, 2022**

Terry Molnar, 71, died at his home in Muncie, Indiana. Terry grew up in South Bend, Indiana. He was the only son of George and Alfreda Molnar.

He was a graduate of Washington High School in South Bend, Indiana, and later attended Ball State University where he met his future wife. His easy-going and gregarious personality afforded Terry a long career in sales. For many years, he worked for ClarkLift and Tynan Equipment Companies.

Terry's interests and hobbies were broad and included tinkering with mechanical projects, cooking, building/racing radio controlled boats, boating and collecting/working on classic cars.

Perhaps Terry was most at peace when enjoying himself with family and friends at the same Gravel Lake cottage his parents built in 1950.

Terry is survived by wife Glenna, sons Brent (James), Seth, and Jason (Cathy), and grandchildren Graydon, Evelyn, Owen, and Liliana.

A private memorial was held. He will be deeply missed by many family members and friends. ♦

# Silent Engine



*Scott Taylor*

*IMPBA Member #21130 S CD • Joined 2015*

## **Scott Joseph Taylor**

**August 14, 1966 – December 31, 2022**

Scott, a resident of Tipp City, Ohio, passed away unexpectedly at the age of 56. Scott was born in Dayton, Ohio to the late James and Carol Taylor. He is survived by his loving wife Donna Taylor, and children; Tony (Morgan) Taylor, Eric (Chelsea) Taylor, Seth Taylor, Matthew (Kylie) Taylor, and Alex (Tarah) Armstrong; brothers; Doug (Autumn) Taylor, and Tom Taylor; grandchildren; Ethan Armstrong, Mason Taylor, Aria Taylor, and Layla Armstrong.

Scott loved boating with his family at Norris Lake, spending time outdoors, and watching the sunset. He was the President of the Dayton RC Boat Club. Scott loved his dogs; Maggie and Charlie. He was a good man with a big heart and will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

A memorial was held in January in Tipp City, Ohio. ♦



# Silent Engine

**Roberta "Birdie" Mulvany**  
**September 22, 1953 – January 20, 2023**



*Birdie Mulvany*

IMPBA Member #8200 F • Joined 2005

The IMPBA lost one of its greatest fans this January. Birdie Mulvany of Florida was not a boat racer or builder, but she loved watching the races and even had a couple of boats of her own — she just never drove them. She was a big fan of the Jersey Skiff. Birdie and her husband, Pat, attended races in Florida, South Carolina, and Georgia. ♦

*I met Birdie at a District 13 Grand Prix race in south Georgia. She was a very caring and observant person, and if she noticed something you liked, she made sure you received it at the next race.*

*She was the best scorekeeper ever. We worked together for so many years in Atlanta. One year, she brought candy pacifiers for the "Cry Baby" racers. The next year, racers wanted to know "Where are the pacifiers?"*

*When score keeping, she watched each boat as it launched, and noted the color of the boat next to the drivers name to help the CD. Birdie watched the race carefully for buoy cuts and dead boats, and recorded them accurately — she was always "spot on"!*

*The boating family of District 13 will miss the sweet, loving lady.*

— Wendy Morton

# Silent Engine

**Ronald Joseph Zaremski**  
**April 9, 1950 – February 27, 2023**



*Ron Zaremski*

IMPBA Member #20619 S • Joined 2011

Ronald J. Zaremski, 72, of St. Clair Shores, Michigan passed away after a long battle with multiple illnesses. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Lois, and daughter Lindsay, as well as many extended family. He was preceded in death by his son, James.

Ron loved all things automotive and mechanical, which inspired his career as an auto mechanic. His intricately-finished scale model cars won competitions. Ron was also a lifelong Lions, Red Wings, and Tigers fan.

He became a Board Member of Unlimiteds Detroit, and also built custom R/C hydroplanes which his son raced in Michigan, Ohio, and Canada. Ron was a member of the Transom Twisters and the Oakland-Wolverine Model Boat Club.

A memorial mass was held at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in early March. Ron will be missed by his many D2 friends. ♦

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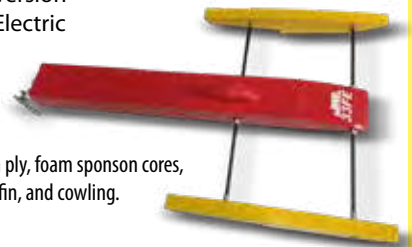
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**The following items were adopted by the Board as Trial Rules.**

To fulfill the requirement to be before membership for a full year, voting will be in December 2023.

**Proposals will be voted on individually, and will affect the final listings & number of classes.**

**SEC. H – NITRO SPECIALIZED CLASSES / Article XI- Nitro International Regatta / Paragraph A (1). (Page H-13)**  
*Additions/changes are indicated in red & highlighted.*

## Sport 20 Hydro as US-1 Class

Purpose: To elevate Sport 20 to a formal US-1 Class. The class has been allowed for IMPBA World Records for many years, and has had significant numbers of entries at previous US-1 Nitro Internats as a Specialty Class.

### XI - NITRO INTERNATIONAL REGATTA

#### A. US-1 Eligible Classes

The following 16 classes may enter the 1/16 mile SAW, 1/3 mile Oval, and multi-boat heat racing events at a US-1 format Nitro International Regatta to be eligible for the US-1 International Champion and Excellence of Performance Trophies per Section E-Procedures.

1. AB, CD, E and F Hydro and Mono; B, D, E and F Outboard Tunnel; 1/8 Scale Hydro; Sport 40; **Sport 20**; Multi-Engine Hydro.

Approved Feb. 15, 2022 Board Meeting.

## B Sport O/B Tunnel as US-1 Class

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1. AB, CD, E and F Hydro and Mono; B, D, E and F Outboard Tunnel; **B Sport O/B Tunnel**; 1/8 Scale Hydro; Sport 40; Multi-Engine Hydro.

Approved Feb. 15, 2022 Board Meeting.

## A Hydro & B Hydro as separate US-1 Classes

Purpose: To separate the .12 Hydro (A) from the .21 Hydro (B) in US-1 competition. In previous years there were a significant number of Nitro entries, and A/B and C/D were combined to save time. Today with the speed and size of the .21 riggers, a .12 is not competitive when they are run together in a heat.

### XI - NITRO INTERNATIONAL REGATTA

#### A. US-1 Eligible Classes

The following 16 classes may enter the 1/16 mile SAW, 1/3 mile Oval, and multi-boat heat racing events at a US-1 format Nitro International Regatta to be eligible for the US-1 International Champion and Excellence of Performance Trophies per Section E-Procedures.

1. **A, B, CD, E, F Hydro**; AB, CD, E, F Mono; B, D, E, F Outboard Tunnel; 1/8 Scale Hydro; Sport 40; Multi-Engine Hydro.

Approved Feb. 15, 2022 Board Meeting.

**The following PROCEDURE SECTION rule change was adopted by a vote of the membership.  
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2023.**

**Refer to IMPBA Rule Book:**

**SECTION E -IMPBA PROCEDURES / II-SANCTIONED REGATTAS /  
D. Restrictions**

Language restricting granting of sanctions the weekend prior to, or the weekend of an International Regatta, within a 300-mile radius of the host site, was eliminated from Article II, Paragraph (D). Former item (6) is now deleted.  
(Page E-2)

*Revised Jan. 2023*

and

**SECTION E -IMPBA PROCEDURES /  
III-ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL and NATIONAL REGATTAS/  
C. Restrictions**

The same language regarding a 300-mile radius restriction was removed from Article III. The former Paragraph (C) Restrictions was eliminated, and the previous paragraph (D) Applying and Acceptance was changed to item (C).  
(Page E-3)

*Revised Jan. 2023*

**#22-001:  
ELIMINATE 300-MILE RADIUS RULE**

	Dec. 2022 Membership Vote				Director Power Vote		
	YES	NO	ABS	2022 Power	YES	NO	ABS
District 1	4	2	0	2	2		
District 2	18	0	0	2	2		
District 3	10	0	1	1	1		
District 4	6	0	0	1	1		
District 5	18	8	0	1	1		
District 6	2	0	0	1	1		
District 7	0	0	0	0			
District 8	0	0	0	0			
District 9	0	0	0	0			
District 10	0	0	0	0			
District 11	0	0	0	0			
District 12	10	0	0	2	2		
District 13	24	3	0	1	1		
District 14	10	7	0	2	2		
District 21	0	0	0	0			
NITRO Director				1	1		
GAS Director				1	1		
FE Director				1	1		
Vice/Past Pres (thru 2024)				1	1		
Past Pres (thru 2024)				1	1		
<i>President casts 1 tie-breaker vote - see SEC B / Article V(3)(E)</i>							
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**BALLOT 22-001 PASSED**

The following amendment of the CONSTITUTION SECTION was adopted by a vote of the membership.  
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2023

**Refer to IMPBA Rule Book:**

**SECTION B- IMPBA CONSTITUTION / V – OFFICERS & EXECUTIVE BOARD /  
SECTION 3 / Paragraph D.**

*(Revised Jan. 2023)*

Approved Language:

- D. The elected Director must represent a minimum of 15 voting-eligible IMPBA memberships (Primary and Family memberships). Junior members have no voting rights and do not count toward Vote Power district tally. Members within an ineligible district may elect a Director; however, he will have no board voting rights until his district has the required number (15) of voting-eligible members. He will handle the passing on of proposed changes and the funneling of information of the district members the same as a full voting member. Voting rights of each District Director shall be based on the number of voting-eligible members in their district at year-end. District Directors with 15 to 100 members will have one vote; Directors with 101 to 200 members will have 2 votes. Directors with 201 to 300 members will have 3 votes. Their total votes will continue to increase by one with the addition of each 100 memberships in their district.

## #22-002: ESTABLISHING VOTE POWER

	Dec. 2022 Membership Vote			2022 Power	Director Power Vote		
	YES	NO	ABS		YES	NO	ABS
District 1	6	0	0	2	2		
District 2	18	0	0	2	2		
District 3	10	0	1	1	1		
District 4	6	0	0	1	1		
District 5	22	4	0	1	1		
District 6	2	0	0	1	1		
District 7	0	0	0	0			
District 8	0	0	0	0			
District 9	0	0	0	0			
District 10	0	0	0	0			
District 11	0	0	0	0			
District 12	10	0	0	2	2		
District 13	26	0	1	1	1		
District 14	17	0	0	2	2		
District 21	0	0	0	0			
NITRO Director				1	1		
GAS Director				1	1		
FE Director				1	1		
Vice/Past Pres (thru 2024)				1	1		
Past Pres (thru 2024)				1	1		
<i>President casts 1 tie-breaker vote - see SEC B / Article V(3)[E]</i>							
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**BALLOT 22-002 PASSED**



The following amendment of the CONSTITUTION SECTION was adopted by a vote of the membership.  
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 2023.

**Refer to IMPBA Rule Book:**

**SECTION B- IMPBA CONSTITUTION / V – OFFICERS & EXECUTIVE BOARD /  
SECTION 5 / Paragraph B.**

*(Revised Jan. 2023)*

Approved Language:

- B. The Treasurer shall be appointed by the Executive Board from within, or a past elected Director or officer. If no one can be found within the Executive Board, or a past Director or officer, then the Board may appoint a qualified person from the general membership.

**#22-003:  
TREASURER APPOINTMENT AMENDMENT**

	Dec. 2022 Membership Vote				Director Power Vote		
	YES	NO	ABS	2022 Power	YES	NO	ABS
District 1	6	0	0	2	2		
District 2	18	0	0	2	2		
District 3	10	0	1	1	1		
District 4	6	0	0	1	1		
District 5	23	3	0	1	1		
District 6	2	0	0	1	1		
District 7	0	0	0	0			
District 8	0	0	0	0			
District 9	0	0	0	0			
District 10	0	0	0	0			
District 11	0	0	0	0			
District 12	9	0	1	2	2		
District 13	26	0	1	1	1		
District 14	17	0	0	2	2		
District 21	0	0	0	0			
NITRO Director				1	1		
GAS Director				1	1		
FE Director				1	1		
Vice/Past Pres (thru 2024)				1	1		
Past Pres (thru 2024)				1	1		
<i>President casts 1 tie-breaker vote - see SEC B / Article V(3)[E]</i>							
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

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**CONGRATULATIONS!**

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50-Year Status is determined using the year the member became a Senior Voting member of IMPBA. Not all members have had continuous membership. We cannot verify actual year joined for all IMPBA members in some instances due to missing information.

Items generously donated by members include a 1957 Directory List, some member index cards from 1965/66, printed directories for 1970 to 1992 (not all years) and an alphabetical computer printout from 1997.

A member not showing on a Directory listing for a previous year may only indicate a break in active status. Member numbering is not always an accurate method to determine year joined due to differences in numbering systems over the years.



### Safety Section - Code of Conduct update

This rule change & reorganization of the Safety Section updated the language regarding alcohol to include other intoxicants. General Conduct & good sportsmanship includes activities at IMPBA insured ponds.

This item was for IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION. Approved unanimously by the voting board.

*BOD email vote, Jan. 31, 2023*

### Jersey Skiff Rule Clarification

A technical correction/clarification for measurement of width of hull. Measurement was found to be in error during a discussion of proper way to measure. This item was for IMMEDIATE IMPLEMENTATION.

The update was approved by a majority of the board.

11 YES: D1 =2; D5=1; D6=1; D7=1; D12=2; D13=1; LSG=1; PP/VP=1; PP=1

8 NO: D2=2; D3=1; D4=1; D14=2; Nitro=1; FE=1

*BOD email vote, Feb 22, 2023*

### LSG Section - Super Sport Engine Specification rules for Super Sport Mono, Classic Thunderboat, and Cracker Box

Statement added to clarify that the Walbro spiral diaphragm (OEM) is acceptable for use in the specified Walbro carburetors (IV) (A) (2). Additionally, consistent terminology used throughout the rest of the rule, and on the Super Sport engine inspection section (IV) (A) (9) and checklist (Appendix A).

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*BOD email vote, April 5, 2023*

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By Chris Wittrig

The City of Huntsville has long been a supporting partner of Huntsville Model Boating Association, and with two of the biggest model boating events in the country being hosted in Huntsville during 2023, an even greater level of partnership is underway. One of the solutions they brought to us this year is an application that is used for sports tournament management called EventConnect that we present to you under the name **Race Day Online**.

When first reviewing EventConnect the most important thing was to look past how it uses terms like Tournament, Divisions, and Players in managing sports tournaments, and translate it to how it could be used for Radio-Controlled Boating event entries. What time has shown us in the past is there are a variety of ways clubs choose to build heats and score the event, but only a few solutions have existed to take entries online and even those can be limited to a very specific purpose.

It was clear the other strengths of the platform could give the RC Boating event entry process a boost —like how present-

ing other items for sale such as t-shirts, hats, or banquet tickets are sold. Even more, though, is how dedicated event host hotels are made available at discounted rates with some add-on items like parking fees negotiated away, or how hotels near the event are available for booking if there isn't a dedicated event hotel. Everything needed to enter the event, add classes, buy swag, and reserve a hotel — all in one experience. It also offers dedicated

support from real people if somebody runs into any issues while using the system. Clubs can decide whether they want to connect the club bank account to accept credit card payments, or offer to accept checks or other payment methods like Venmo or Zelle offline from the system. They can, though, mark items as paid when those offline payments are received with the support of event financial reports.

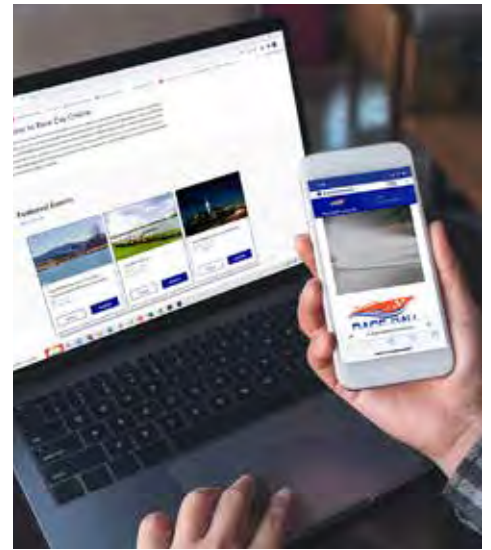
***This is a very exciting next step for RC Boating and creates new opportunities.***

***If you are a contest director hosting events and are interested in learning more about this system and how it can be used for you, please feel free to reach out to me via email at [Chris@C-DubOnline.com](mailto:Chris@C-DubOnline.com).***

With RC Boating events being a new market opportunity for EventConnect, they have been open to suggestions for how their platform can be updated to allow for some things to be configured so they are a little more familiar,

like Division being Class or Tournament being Event.

To be clear, though, EventConnect will never be a system where contest directors can build and score heats. That will be left to the preference of the contest directors, but EventConnect does have several reports that can be exported including who has entered each class. It can also allow contest directors to limit



the number of entries in each class or the number of overall entries accepted for the event.

Another capability of EventConnect, not previously seen in RC Boating, is the ability to send messaging either through email or text message. Who receives the message is based on reports. It can be everybody who entered the event, all the people in a class, or just a few chosen people. Consolidating heats and need to let people in the class know who has been moved to each heat? That can be announced on the PA and sent out via text message to the people in that class.

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**Therefore, no person may operate or assist in the operation of a model power boat, or enter the pit area, or operate a retrieve boat at any IMPBA sanctioned event on an IMPBA insured pond, and be covered by this insurance, unless he is a paid member of IMPBA.**

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- Permanent and temporary structures, such as drivers’ stands/scaffolding or bleachers, are not covered by IMPBA insurance.

## Safety

- It is not the intent of IMPBA to issue insurance to any organization that does not comply with and foster IMPBA Safety Rules and Regulations
- Adequate provision shall be made for the safety of the contestants and spectators.
- **“NO SWIMMING” signs** should be posted in conspicuous places on all sides of the pond.

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# APRIL 2023



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### Ron Drake

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There were **9 records set** in Gas and Electric at the event.

Congratulations to all the new record holders. We encourage everyone to go see how fast your boat is this year at any of our surveyed sites. If nothing else, just use the times to make your boat and equipment top notch for some fast racing this season. Watch the IMPBA website event calendar for the dates & locations of upcoming time trials.

Until next time. Happy Boating, and Stay Safe! ♦

**February 4 thru 12, 2023** ▶ VALDOSTA, GA

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John Finch/Steve Sutton	Gas Scale Unlimited	2.891	<b>77.827</b>
Doug Smock/Don Huff	P Mono	2.745	<b>81.967</b>
Doug Smock/Don Huff	Q Mono	2.785	<b>80.789</b>
Doug Smock/Don Huff	S Mono	2.553	<b>88.131</b>
Glenn Quarles	N Stock Hydro	4.086	<b>55.066</b>
Glenn Quarles	N Super Stock Hydro	3.285	<b>68.493</b>

1/3 OVAL	Class	Time/Sec	MPH
John Finch/Steve Sutton	FE 1/8 Scale Unlimited	<b>24.908</b>	48.177
Glenn Quarles	N Super Stock Hydro	<b>33.591</b>	35.723



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## Nitro Director

**Mike Betke**

Spring is here, and the racing season is getting started. I hope everyone had a good winter break and was able to get some new boats built. I have a gas twin project sitting on my bench to go along with getting all of our boats ready for the Nitro Nationals this year.



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### 2023 Nitro Nats:

The Cincinnati Model Boat Club will be hosting the Nitro Nats this year. The dates for racing are July 13 -15. Open Water will be on July 12 after set up is completed — which I would anticipate to be before noon. We have reserved Sunday, July 16 as a backup day in case we have bad weather on one of the racing days.

We will be running the National Regatta Format 1 – Shootout. There will be a banquet with raffle on Friday, July 14, and this is included as part of your entry fee. Extra banquet tickets are available for purchase. Event T-shirts are also available, and you can order yours by sending an email with size to the Contest Director

The location of the race site is in a very nice area around Harrison, Ohio. The race site has some limitations as far as trailer parking, but the pond is secluded and very seldom gets rough — it should make for some great racing. Lodging is available in both Harrison, and Lawrenceburg, Indiana, which are only about 10 minutes away from the site.

To register, go to [RCRacingEvents.com](http://RCRacingEvents.com). There is a 250 boat limit and we are getting close, so don't wait if you have any plans to attend.

I am the CD of the event, so if you have any questions you can email me at [betkehydro@gmail.com](mailto:betkehydro@gmail.com).

See you at the races. ♦



## LSG Director

**Lance Ledet**

Huntsville Model Boat Association, and the City of Huntsville proudly present the 2023 IMPBA Gas Nationals to be held June 1st through 4th, 2023, at Brahan Spring Park in Rocket City (Huntsville), Alabama. Huntsville is a 12-time host of IMPBA National events, including this second hosting of the Gas Nationals.

Brahan Spring Park facility features a large covered concrete driver's stand, concrete hot pits, and an abundance of grass area capable of housing a pit area for the largest events. Several hotels are near the site, and there is an RV center nearby, as well as an RV park for Veterans.

The race banquet (ticket included with each contestant's entry) will be held at the Bullet and Barrel\*. We will also be awarding the 2023 Johnny Ber Sportsmanship Award, LSG President's Cup for highest points in two classes, Classic Thunderboat Concours Award, Gas Scale Concours Award, and handing out all raffle items at the banquet. The Gas Nationals will offer all LSG classes following all rules and regulations per the IMPBA rule book. There must be six boats entered to make a National Champion class.

Shootout heat racing format will be used. Only the top 6 boats of each class will compete in the 5th round. Cumulative points for all 5 rounds will determine a National Champion for each class. Awards will be given for 1st thru 5th place. Any previous 2022 IMPBA National Champions are guaranteed entry to defend their championship.

The City of Huntsville has generously sponsored the trophies this year. **Please consider making a donation towards raffle prizes.** Your sponsorship will be noted on the prize it is used toward. The amount collected will determine the number of items we will have to raffle. ♦



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### RACING ITINERARY:

#### **Open Water:**

Tuesday May 30th &  
Wednesday May 31st

**Thursday, June 1:**  
All classes compete.

**Friday, June 2:**  
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**Saturday, June 3:**  
All classes compete.

**Sunday, June 4:**  
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### **DONATIONS & QUESTIONS:**

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Event T-Shirts will be offered.  
\*Additional banquet tickets are available for \$20 per person.



## D1 is Ready For Action!

### *Steady growth in the District membership.*

The snow has melted and our ponds up here in D1 land are ready for action. We have seen a steady increase in D1 membership which tells us that we must be doing something right. We do have a large following of Facebook friends which I believe is helping with the growth. Social media can be a great tool to promote our little hobby. If you are on Facebook, please come and join our page, "Home of IMPBA D1" and keep up to date with what's going on. Click the link below to be taken directly to our page.

Recently, I spoke with IMPBA member and pond owner, Ken Caliari, of Penfield, PA. He is getting all his ducks in a row to host a sanctioned 2-day race. This will be the Valley RC Boat Club's first race. **Let's mark September 23 & 24 on our calendars** and give them some support! Watch the IMPBA calendar event page for announcement and details to come.

The Northern Lights Model Boat Club in Toronto are all set for their big **CAN-AM Race, August 26 & 27**. This has become one of the premier races in all IMPBA. I spoke with Terry Keeley, CD for the event, and he is expecting a record turn out between 175-200 boats. Register early at [RCRacingEvents.com](http://RCRacingEvents.com). They offer Gas, Nitro, and fast Electric classes.

A final reminder not to take our little toy boats for granted. These boats can be dangerous. Always think "Safety First" before, during, and after operating your boat. Now let's have a fun and safe 2023 season.

See you at the pond. ♦



*Newly elected Northern Lights President, Mark Hoeflich..*



*New FE racer, Osei Charles, with his son — teach them young!*

◀ *At right: NLMBC Safety Officer, Daniel Kalte*



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## District 2 RACE SCHEDULE

May 20 & 21  
**(Backup date May 27 & 28)**  
**Need For Speed**

**Time Trials**  
Flint Associated Speed Team  
Flint, MI

May 21  
**Saginaw Bay Classic**  
Saginaw Bay R/C Boat Club  
Saginaw, MI

June 4  
**56th Mini Gold Cup**  
Oakland-Wolverine Model Boat Club  
Burton, MI

**June 17**  
**Power Stroke Classic**  
Motor City Model Boat Club  
Carleton, MI

**July 13 - 15**  
**IMPBA NITRO NATIONALS**  
Cincinnati Model Boat Club  
Harrison/Cleves, OH

August 6  
**HydroFest 2023**  
Transom Twisters MBC  
Burton, MI

**August 19 & 20**  
**Celina Summer Challenge**  
*D2/D14 Series Points Race*  
Driftwood RC Model Boat Club  
Celina, OH

**September 17**  
**District II Challenge**  
Oakland-Wolverine Model Boat Club  
Rochester Hills, MI

**September 23 & 24**  
**(Backup date Sep. 30 & Oct. 1)**  
**Need For Speed**

**Time Trials**  
Flint Associated Speed Team  
Flint, MI

October 21 & 22  
**CMBC Oval**  
**Record Trials**  
Cincinnati Model Boat Club  
Harrison/Cleves, OH

## Clubs Getting An Early Start On The Season

Some of our clubs have been lucky enough to get out and actually have some Test N' Tune time as they prepare for the 2023 season to kick off. Cincinnati Model Boaters and Dayton Model Boaters shared a few pics of recent outings. Looks like they took advantage of those random March warm weather days we had. The first sanction event of the year will be the "Need For Speed" record trials in Flint and the first sanctioned heat racing at the "Saginaw Bay Classic" both being held the third weekend of May. In addition, the Nitro Nationals are being held in D2 in July this year, hosted by the Cincinnati Model Boaters —it's shaping up to be a busy year of boating. ♦



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*Cincinnati club took advantage of an unseasonably warm and beautiful day in March to get out a few boats to kick off the season.*





## Test 'N Tune in Dayton *pics*

>>> *Courtesy of Dennis Post*





## Looking Back

Time flies faster than a twin's hole shot to the finish line! I can't believe it is April this weekend. D III already had the Nitro Winter Championships back in January. This race was well attended from within D III, as well as outside of the district, and we very much appreciate those traveling to sunny Florida to experience this premier event. The qualifying rounds had excellent racing water. Unfortunately, the south winds made the championship heats a little tougher on the smaller boats.

Much thanks to all the Class Sponsors and their generosity that make this event happen. We were able to draw 4 winners of two CMB 67HR engines and two K45 engines. Thank you, Stu & Al. What made this engine raffle top notch was that no raffle tickets were sold. Just by entering each 67 or each 45 hull you were in the drawing. Who knows what will be raffled in 2024!

*In Memory Of*

**Kathy "Sparkles" Skwiera**  
August 11, 1946 – March 27, 2023

*D3 mourns the recent loss of Kathy Skwiera, wife of Leonard (past president and HOF member) Skwiera. Kathy was a key family member, and supporter of the Indy Model Boat Club. All who knew her will miss her contagious enthusiasm and humor. The couple resided in The Villages in Florida for the past several years. Prayers and thoughts to Leonard and the Skwiera family and friends.*

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR WINNERS!

**B Stock Tunnel - Mark Grim**  
**D Mono - Kim Grim**  
**D Tunnel - Mark Grim**  
**B Mono - Jetty Crowther**  
**F Mono - Charles Dukes**  
**Twin - Buck Shackelford**

**Sport 21 - Mark Bullard**  
**B Tunnel - Brian Sorgente**  
**Sport 40 - Kim Grim**  
**E Mono - Jerry Crowther**  
**F Single Engine - Mark Adams**

**E Hydro - Chad Grannis**  
**F Hydro - Joe Warren**  
**B Hydro - James Shields**  
**D Hydro - Rod Hendricks**  
**1/8 Scale - Rick Bellinger**



*First Coast Model Boaters are beginning work on their new site in Jacksonville. They have been working on the course set up and, for now, they will be building a portable driver stand while they build their relationship with the City and the Parks Services.*

## Moving Forward

Stay tuned for announcements from the Tampa and Jacksonville clubs. Tampa's lake is very large with plenty of room for big fast laps making the starts extra special. I'm eagerly anticipating a trip up to the First Coast Model Boaters pond to see how Adam Cook and the club are ready to reap the benefits of their hard work. Please consider making these a future destination when they host an upcoming event. I will see you all at the Spring Nats, the Nitro Nats & the Indy Masters. I look forward to seeing many old-timers, and some racers I do not get to race often.

See you at the pond! ♦



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## Hello from the Snowy North!

Not much has happened over the winter in our district. Our clubs are busy planning and preparing for the upcoming season — which sounds like it will be exciting and quite busy.

In 2022, we held a District High Points Series, re-orchestrated by several of our district members. All points in the district were counted if they fell into the rules prescribed. The main rule was that for the points to count toward the total for a race, there must have been 5 or more boats registered AND running in the class. This really narrowed down the classes available for awards and here are the results:

### Super Sport Mono

First place goes to: Bill Miller

Second place goes to: **Perry Villani**

Third place goes to: **Lee Simonson**

### Classic Thunderboat

First place goes to: Duke Mordja

Second place goes to: **Perry Villani**

Third place goes to: **Keith Ray**

### Gas Sport Hydro

First place goes to: **Austin Schaeffer**



Second Place goes to: **Keith Ray**

Third Place goes to: **Perry Villani**

The first place winners will receive a nice embroidered jacket to represent their 2022 win! If you see these winners around, please congratulate them!

## 2023 Points Series

For 2023, we will be doing the same High Points Series. \*If all 7 district races happen, scores from 2 will be dropped. To count in the 5 boat minimum, at least 5 boats in that class each MUST score at least 50 points.

Any questions, please contact Bill Miller or Perry Villani. ♦

## District 4 RACE SCHEDULE

*\*Points from these seven races have the potential to be counted toward your series points!*

### May 6 & 7

Little Thunder on  
Arrowhead Lake

Johnston City, IL

*(D4/D14 combined points series)*

### July 8 & 9

Badger

Thunderboat Throwdown

Somers, WI

### July 21 - 23

Ken Stang Shootout

July 21 - Round 1 starts at 1 PM

St. Anne, IL

### August 13

Chicago Challenge

Oak Forest, IL

### August 26 & 27

Super Sport Mono

Throwdown

Somers, WI

### September 30 & October 1

Midwest Scale

Championships

Johnston City, IL

### October 14 & 15

Fall Shootout

Somers, WI



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## Talk About Your Smooth Water!

Smooth as glass...

Minnesota still has a bunch of snow, and frozen ponds and lakes as of this report. It is not unusual for us to see ice through mid-April. On top of that, the Twin Cities club pond is on a flood plane, so we *also* have to wait out any possible spring flooding. We don't have any events planned as of yet, but we are looking forward to spring and summer weather when we can get out and run the boats we have been building —or repairing —this winter.

We recently eliminated our club website as it was too costly to maintain for our small club. Our members keep in touch through email and we also have a Facebook group 'Twins Cities Model Boat Club' for online presentation. This group is private but one can join easily.

St. Louis Thunderboats will be holding two events this year. While they are technically a D6 club, their pond is located in Johnston City, Illinois (nearly an 11-hour drive for most of us D6ers), and they will be holding a May and October race at that site again this season with the District 4 racers..◆



*The iced-over Twin Cities MBC pond in Eagan, Minnesota...*

*...and what we hope to be doing soon!*



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## D12 Welcomes a New Club!

District 12 would like to welcome the **Carolina RC Water Burners** to the district. Mitchell Stinson and his group from Charlotte, NC, made it official at the beginning of the year and are excited to get things going. They have been around as a club since 2014 and decided it was time to become a part of IMPBA. They were recently able to secure a pond location and will begin work on it soon. We look forward to what they have in store and hopefully a trip down south this summer is in the cards.

We held our annual district meeting towards the end of January this year, and it was well attended by most of the clubs. Unfortunately, the Capitol RC Model Boat Club has seen its membership diminish over the past couple of years and they were unable to attend. A lot of discussions were had during the meeting about ways to help get their numbers back up. They did recently register again this year. Anyone that would like to help is encouraged to reach out to their club president, Michael Faszczka.

A great deal of discussion was also had during the meeting about our district races and ways to improve membership within the district. My focus this year has been on building the individual clubs and allowing them to decide whether to hold a district race and not expecting them to do so. Several of the clubs have had success with local races that are often much more cost-effective, and more importantly, less taxing on the club members. The Model Boaters of

Baltimore have decided that they will be holding two district races this year, and both will be hosted at the Delmarva Model Boat Club Pond in Queenstown, MD. The dates for those races are:

- April 29 & 30, 2023
- September 16 & 17, 2023

Open water will be available on the Friday before each event, and registration for both can be found on [RCRacingEvents.com](http://RCRacingEvents.com).

The Wilmington Area Model Boaters kicked off their racing season on Saturday, February 18th, with their 2nd Annual Frostbite Regatta club race. From all accounts, it was a great success and had racers from 4 different states in attendance. Their 2023 club race schedule is also out, and the dates are 4/16, 5/7, 6/4, 7/9, 8/6, 9/17, 10/15, and 11/12.

What a great way to start off the season, and let's keep it going! ♦



Site of the future home of Carolina RC Water Burners club.



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## 2023 DXIII RACE SCHEDULE

### Previously held:

#### **RRF SpeedWeek 2023**

February 4 - 12 in Valdosta, GA

#### **SOWEGA Grand Prix I**

February 25 & 26 in Sycamore, GA

### Coming Up:

#### **Atlanta Spring Nationals**

April 21 - 23  
Atlanta, GA  
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#### **World Tunnel / Open Challenge**

May 19 - 21  
Sycamore, GA  
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#### **FCMB Grand Prix**

#### **25th Year 3-Day Celeb-race-tion**

June 9 - 11  
Sycamore, GA  
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#### **AMB Grand Prix**

July 15 & 16  
Atlanta, GA  
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#### **FCMB Grand Prix II**

September 9 & 10  
Sycamore, GA  
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#### **CMB Fall Nationals**

October 6 - 8  
Charleston SC  
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#### **SOWEGA Grand Prix II**

November 4 & 5  
Sycamore, GA



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## D13 Grand Prix Celeb-race-tion

By Adam Cook & Julie Gilley

Another racing season has begun in District 13, and it could not have opened with a bigger bang! This is not just another season—this is the 25th Anniversary of the District 13 Grand Prix Series. Wow! That's crazy to think that a race series has been going for 25 years. Hats off to the racers and all involved that has made this feat possible. This year is going to be a blast, and we are only just beginning and looking forward to another 25 years.

The first race of the series was at the Sowega Model Boater's complex. If you have never been to this place, you are missing out. Kem and Julie Gilley are a step above for allowing a bunch of crazy racers to invade their back yard multiple times a year. The Gilley's had a little bit of a medical emergency the week of the race and were not able to attend. This is where the racing family stepped up to help make this race possible. Can't say thank you enough to all those that helped make this race happen, to the racers who once again made for a great event, and to Kem and Julie for trusting us to play on their property without supervision.

The race had over 200 boats entered with racers from as far south as Miami to a racer who came all the way from Alaska. The 2022 District Champions were awarded their champion jackets —and very nice jackets they are. As always, the competition was intense, and with 26 classes available there is something for everyone. The Super Boat Offshore class is now a permanent fixture in the series, and we have separated the Single-Engine from the Multi-Engine Open Hydro classes.

We can't forget about the Norman Morton "Drive it 'till it stops" award which was given to our IMPBA president, Doug Smock, for landing his tunnel on the clock stand. Hey Doug! Wasn't that the exact same move you coached Norman into all those years ago?

The Grand Prix series has grown by leaps and bounds. Ten years ago, if a race had 100 boats it was a big series race. Fast forward to the present where the races have over 200 boats entered within the first 24 hours of the race opening for sign ups. This kind of response is expected in big national events, but truly amazing for a district race series. We will continue to grow and become the elite series in RC boat racing.

This year, to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the first race of the Grand Prix series, there will be a three-day Celeb-race-tion in June held at the Sowega Model Boaters complex, and hosted by First Coast Model Boaters of Jacksonville, FL. This event will be one for the ages, with food, prizes, friends, family, and of course some great racing competition. We look forward to having a great time with everyone. If you're interested in racing, please check out [RCRacingEvents.com](http://RCRacingEvents.com) for the details. We are currently seeking sponsorships and raffle items— if you are interested in either, please contact Adam Cook, President of FCMB @ 904-383-0122, or Julie Gilley, Grand Prix Director @ 229-392-4936.

We hope you all have a great start to your racing season, and we look forward to seeing you at the pond. ♦





SOWEGA Grand Prix pics >>> by JJ Sports Photos



2022 District 13 Grand Prix Champions. A couple of the guys couldn't make it so they have stand ins.



"Okay, so, what happened was..."

A Note To A Great District

**Doug Smock**



Hey Gang! I really don't have anything to add as Adam and Julie nailed it down well in their article. I will say this —I have had people ask me about D13 and what I do to make it so successful? Well, the absolute truth is that I can't, and won't, take credit for it. I/we are blessed to have an awesome group of people to work with. From the club presidents: Sean Anderson, Adam Cook, Julie Gilley, Lamar Huff; their members; and right on down to the folks that choose to spend their race weekends with us. Those are the people who deserve the credit! Many thanks to all of you. You make my job easy! Be safe and I'll see you at the pond. ♦





### GP Scenes pics

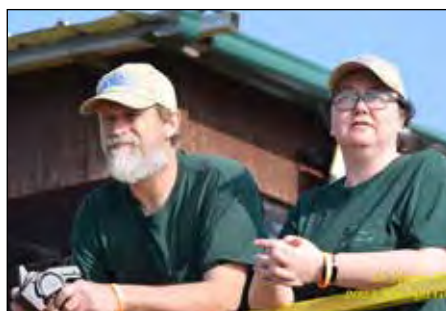
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The first water baby of the 2023 season — Mr. Keith Woodard does it with style...



... and a friendly assist on the retrieval.



Be sure to visit JJ Sports Photos facebook page for all the great shots of people, pits, and racing action.





## No Sleep For The Wicked...

2023 Season in D14 is going to be a another busy one with Great Racing with Great People. A lot is going on within our district from Indianapolis finding water again in Indianapolis, Madison is moving from a day race to a two day race and Evansville got word that in the next couple years they will move to the bigger pond that you see when you pull into the Sports complex we are currently at. The 2023 season is going to be full of races and from what I hear in D14 we are ready to compete. Hopefully we will see competitors from all over the country to attend our races as we love to see the familiar faces and especially the new faces.

If you haven't already started getting some equipment out and taking inventory you better get on it as the season is here. Hopefully everyone stored there equipment correctly during the offseason so that it will be easy to get back in the swing of everything. One thing to keep in mind, especially if you are purchasing new batteries, put a date on them so you know how old the batteries are so you can have an idea of how old they are.

D14 would like to wish good luck to all of the D14 members that will be attending the Gas Nationals in Huntsville.

### New Members for 2023

Welcome back **Jeff Wassmer**, and **Kent Block** and his son, **Brayden Block**, to D14. They have found their way back to the pond, and we are happy to see them back in the saddle. ♦

*Jeff Austin, shows off his new build! 1/6 Gas Scale "Pay 'N Pak"*



## District 14 RACE SCHEDULE

**May 6 & 7**  
**Little Thunder on Arrowhead Lake**  
Johnston City, IN  
**D14 Points Series Race**

May 20-21  
**Spring Shootout**  
Evansville, IN

**June 17 & 18**  
**Little Thunder Regatta**  
Evansville, IN

June 10 & 11  
**Dennis Holt Memorial**  
Madison, IN  
**D14 Points Series Race**

**August 5**  
**Wine Run**  
Huber Winery in Starlight, IN  
**D14 Points Series Race**

**August 19 & 20**  
**Celina Summer Challenge**  
Celina, OH  
**D14 Points Series Race**

September 8 to 10  
**Indy Masters**  
Pendelton, IN  
**D14 Points Series Race**

**September 23 & 24**  
**Kohlmeier Fall Classic**  
Evansville, IN  
**D14 Points Series Race**



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## PropWalkers Model Boat Club

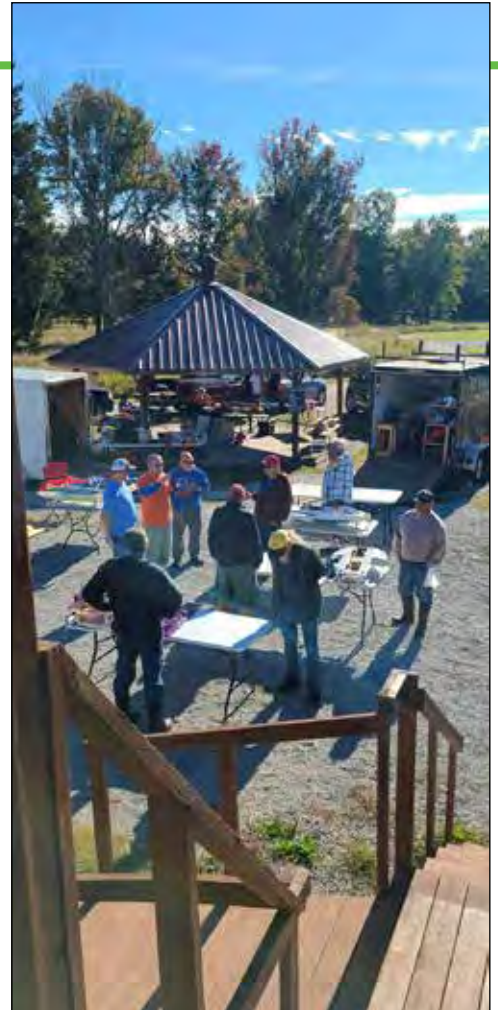
### New Strategies Have Help Club Growth

Five years ago, our “small, but mighty” PropWalkers Model Boat Club in Madison, Indiana, had a vision. We wanted to build an environment where racers can come together to race every month, and have fun without breaking the bank. With fuel costs increasing, travel was not an option for a lot of racers, so Madison began holding monthly club races where racers can run for a \$10 entry fee per driver, and kids could come race for free. The club races helped our club numbers double — and by adding FE and an FE Novice class, our club numbers have now tripled!

What started out as a way to grow our club, has turned out to be an excellent way for young, and old, to be involved in our awesome sport while keeping costs down. One FE boat was introduced to the club five years ago, and today we have over 30 FE boats in our club. What led to this great success? The simple answer: passionate boaters that wanted nothing more than to increase membership by offering classes that were fun, competitive and most importantly affordable.

The club members got together to create a set of rules to make sure these classes were just that, and things have just grown from there. We are excited to have several more potential members this year, and invite anyone interested in racing with us to join! We have a scheduled work day April 15th at 9 a.m. to get things ready for the season, and are excited to host a 2-day D14 race this year on June 10 &11.

Check out our club Facebook page: PropWalkers Model Boat Club -RC Boats for a list of club races and come join the fun going on in Madison this summer! ♦



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# RACES & RECORD TRIALS 2023

Watch for new listings on  
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Clubs may not have notified the office of additions or cancellations in time for publication. If you plan to travel a long distance, it is recommended that you contact the race sponsor prior to your departure to ensure this event will take place.  
 All raffle/drawing prizes are the responsibility of the conducting Club. IMPBA does not guarantee, nor is it responsible for fulfillment of raffle or drawing prizes.

## PREVIOUSLY HELD for 2023:

- January 20 - 22 ..... **"2022 Nitro Winter Championships"** ..... #23-003 RT  
 DOVER, FL - hosted by Brandon Model Boaters
- February 4 - 12 ..... **"SpeedWeek 2023" Record Trials** (1/16 mile SAW, 1/3 mile Oval) ..... #23-002 RT  
 VALDOSTA, GA - hosted by Really, Really Fast RC Boat Club
- February 25 & 26 ..... **"Grand Prix I"** ..... #23-004 R  
 SYCAMORE, GA - hosted by SOWEGA Model Boaters
- April 1 & 2 ..... **"2023 Mike Cantavespri Memorial Shootout"** ..... #23-028 R  
 RESERVE, LA - hosted by Voodoo Model Boat Club

## COMING UP FOR 2023:

**APRIL**  
**21 to 23**  
**ATLANTA, GA**

**Atlanta**  
**Model Boaters**

**"2023 IMPBA Atlanta Spring Nationals"** ..... #23-014 R

**TIME: 8 AM Fri., Sat., & Sun.**

Open water: April 20

Morning Creek Lake, 1000 Naturally Fresh Blvd., Atlanta, GA 30349

**Listings and entries on [www.RCRacingEvents.com](http://www.RCRacingEvents.com). Pre-registration is required by April 15.**

5 boats to make a class.

See [RCRacingEvents.com](http://RCRacingEvents.com) for all rule deviations.

CD: Lamar Huff (706) 616-4221 email: [lamar.huff@staples.com](mailto:lamar.huff@staples.com)

Assistant CD: Buck Shackelford (817) 773-4319 email: [buckunion@hotmail.com](mailto:buckunion@hotmail.com)

**APRIL**  
**24 & 25**  
**HUNTSVILLE, AL**

**Huntsville Model**  
**Boating Association**

**"IMPBA Record Trials"** ..... #23-034 RT

**Timed event for 1/16 mile SAW, 1/3 mile Oval, 1/4 mile Oval.**

**TIME: Event starts when timing system is operational – approx. 8 AM until dark**

Brahan Spring Park South Lake - next to Natatorium (indoor pool), 2111 Drake Ave.,  
 Huntsville, AL 35805

CLASSES: Any IMPBA legal boat/hull/motor can run. All IMPBA record eligible classes in Nitro, Gas & Fast Electric. 1/16 Mile SAW, 1/3 & 1/4 Mile Oval will be options at CD's discretion & majority of contestants. **Pre-registration is not required –but please email Rick or Mark to let us know you will be coming.** Plenty of room for tents and equipment. \$25 flat fee run as often as weather permits. Fee is payable prior to first run.

**NOTE:** Witching Hour Rules (1 hour prior to sunset) -- Only drivers whose boats have been within 5% of the record during the event, or that current record holder will be allowed to run on the short list. *If no one on the short list elects to run, other participants from the daily list may run until someone on the short list elects to run again.*

CD: Rick Grim (256) 656-0859 email: [uvapilot@bellsouth.net](mailto:uvapilot@bellsouth.net)

Assistant CD: Mark Grim (714) 615-9974 email: [mgrim@mindspring.com](mailto:mgrim@mindspring.com)



**APRIL**  
**29 & 30**  
**QUEENSTOWN, MD**  
**RC Model Boaters of Baltimore** (co-host Delmarva MBC)

"Joseph Sparr Memorial Race" ..... #23-045 R

**TIME: 8:30 AM**

Open water Friday, April 28 from Noon to 5 pm.  
 219 Cherry Lane, Queenstown, MD 21658 (US-301, between mile markers 86 & 87)

**CLASSES: Listings and registration on RCRacingEvents.com. Pre-registration required by April 24.** Club will combine classes at their discretion. 4 boats to make a class.

Racers should familiarize themselves with D12 rules. District rules can be found at capitolorcmodelboats.com. Standard heat racing for scale classes. Audio clock.

Pets allowed on lease. No pets in race area. Onsite camping allowed in designated areas – no hookups. Campers must remove all trash. Nearby hotels.

CD: Charles Jones (443) 617-8026 email: cjones930@verizon.net

**MAY**  
**6 & 7**  
**JOHNSTON CITY, IL**  
**St. Louis Thunderboaters**

"9th Annual Little Thunder on Arrowhead Lake" ..... #23-029 R

**TIME: 8 AM Driver Meeting Sat. & Sun.**

Open water May 5 from 1 PM until dark.  
 Arrowhead Lake Campground, 1600 Peterson Ave., Johnston City, IL 62951  
 www.JohnstonCityCampground.com

**Entry and class details on www.thunderboaters.com. Pre-registration required by May 1.**

5 boats to make a class. 4 rounds of racing for all non-scale classes. Scale classes will have 3 round, a consi, and a final for their 4th round. Concours judging for scale classes will happen Saturday morning following the driver's meeting. *This is a D14 points series race.*

CD: James Ellet (618) 658-0524  
 Assistant CD: Wes Ellet (618) 771-3896  
 For information email: thunderboaters@gmail.com



**MAY**  
**13**  
**PINE CITY, NY**  
**Southern Tier NY RC Model Boaters**

"NY State Championship Series - Race #1" ..... #23-016 R

**TIME: 9 AM / 8:45 Driver Meeting**

Open water Friday Noon to 6 p.m.  
 Skip's Country Pond, 11755 East Hill Road, Pine City, NY 14871 (3 miles from Caton).

**CLASSES: All IMPBA classes.** Race committee reserves the right to combine. 3 boats to make a class. Single-day races will be 3 rounds. **Flyer on IMPBA.net for additional details. Pre-registration is appreciated.** *Season champions awarded embroidered 2023 shirt based on scores earned from 6 eligible races.*

Email entries to pkforcier@juno.com (include name/address/phone/email/classes), or call 607-738-4631, or mail to: Forcier, 793 Chamber Rd., Horseheads, NY 14845 with check payable to: Kathy Forcier.

Large roomy course with protected smooth water. Covered elevated driver's stand & covered pit tables. Free camping – MUST be requested in advance – contact Pete! Lots of motels in area.

CD: Pete Forcier (607) 738-4631 email: pkforcier@juno.com  
 Assistant CD: Sue Rodas (585) 594-4844

**MAY**  
**19 to 21**  
**SYCAMORE, GA**

**SOWEGA**  
**Model Boaters**

"World Tunnel Championships/Open Challenge" ..... #23-005 R

**TIME: 9 AM**

Open water beginning May 18 at 9 AM  
SOWEGA Pond, 1966 Robert Davis Road, Sycamore, GA 31790

**Pre-registration required by May 10 on RCRacingEvents.com.**

4 boats to make a class. **250 boat limit - so enter early!**

All registration fees to be paid, cards checked, and wristbands on before you launch a boat -- this includes open water. ALL IMPBA MEMBERSHIPS MUST BE PAID THROUGH IMPBA WEBSITE BEFORE ARRIVING AT THE POND!!!! Other organization members wishing to attend must pay the IMPBA Single-Event Fee online (www.IMPBA.net) prior to the event.

Raffle Prizes! Details regarding special events to be announced.

Visit [sowegamodelboaters.com](http://sowegamodelboaters.com) for more info.

Contact us regarding availability of camping and campers hook-ups.

CD: Julie Gilley (229) 392-4936 email: [jgilley48@gmail.com](mailto:jgilley48@gmail.com)

**MAY**  
**20 & 21**  
**FLINT, MI**

**F.A.S.T.**  
**(Flint Associated**  
**Speed Team)**

"Need For Speed at Thread Lake" ..... #23-009 RT

**Timed event for 1/16 mile SAW, 1/3 mile Oval. TIME: 8:30 AM until dusk**

Thread Lake, Flint MI 48503. North end of Orville St., adjacent to UAW Fwy.

BACKUP DATE: May 27 & 28.

*An announcement will be made by 6 PM Thursday, Sep. 29 if using backup date due to weather.*

CLASSES: All IMPBA legal classes. Pre-registration is not required. \$25 flat fee to enter, come anytime and run as often as time permits until dusk.

CD: Terry Keeley (905) 819-4571 email: [tkee@rogers.com](mailto:tkee@rogers.com)

Assistant CD: Mike Nowicki (810) 367-6604 email: [mnowicki62@gmail.com](mailto:mnowicki62@gmail.com)

**MAY**  
**20 & 21**  
**EVANSVILLE, IN**

**River City**  
**Racing Club**

"Spring Shootout" ..... #23-031 R

**TIME: 9 AM**

Deaconess Sports Park, 6800 N. Green River Rd., Evansville, IN 47725

Open water: May 19 - Noon to sundown

CLASSES: RTR; Sport 20; Sport 40; 1/8 Scale; B Mod OB Tunnel; B Sport OB Tunnel; P-Limited FE; B Mono; Open Nitro OB Tunnel; Open Nitro Hydro; B Hydro; Open Nitro Mono; Gas Catamaran; Classic Thunderboat; 1/8 Scale FE; Open Gas Hydro; Gas Mono; Gas Sport Hydro; SS Gas Mono; P-Limited Novice; 1/6 Gas Scale; Jersey Skiff.

5 boats to make a class. **Pre-registration is required by May 20.**

CD: Aaron Johnson email: [braceru31@gmail.com](mailto:braceru31@gmail.com)

**MAY**  
**21**  
**SAGINAW, MI**

**Saginaw Bay R/C**  
**Boat Club**

"Saginaw Bay Classic" ..... #23-024 R

**TIME: 9 AM**

Open water May 21 from 8:15 to 8:45 AM prior to driver meeting

Vitec Lake, Corner of Geddes Road and Gleaner Road, Saginaw, MI 48605

CLASSES: 1/8 Scale; Sport 20/RTR; Sport 40; B Mono; A Hydro; B Hydro; D Hydro; Open Nitro Rigger; LSG Cat, Mono, Rigger, & Sport Hydro; Classic Thunderboat. 3 boats to make a class. 3 rounds per class. **Pre-registration is not required but recommended** – flyer on IMPBA.net.

CD: Charles Dukes (989) 297-3545 email: [dukes3801@gmail.com](mailto:dukes3801@gmail.com)

Assistant CD: Dean Notter (989) 992-8383 or Cell: (989) 992-8383

email: [dean.notter@nexteer.com](mailto:dean.notter@nexteer.com)

Contact Dean Notter with entries. You may text, email, or call (Please do not call after 9 PM), or message on International Waters.

**JUNE**  
**1 to 4**  
**HUNTSVILLE, AL**  
**Huntsville**  
**Model Boating**  
**Association**



**"2023 IMPBA GAS NATIONALS" .....#23-001 R**

**TIME: 7:30 AM Drivers meeting.**

Controlled Open Water: May 30 & 31  
Braham Spring Park South Lake - next to Natatorium (indoor pool), 2111 Drake Ave.,  
Huntsville, AL 35805

**Entry and information on: RaceDayOnline.com**

6 boats required to make a class. Shootout heat racing format will be used. Only the top 6 boats of each class will compete in the 5th round. Cumulative points for all 5 rounds will determine a National Champion for each class.

**Tentative Schedule:**

Racing Thursday, Friday, and Saturday

Sunday to be used in event of inclement weather delays.

Banquet Friday night. Banquet included in entry fee - additional tickets available.

We will also award the IMPBA LSG President's Cup for best single performance of 2 boats in heat racing, the Johnny Ber Sportsman Award, Classic Thunderboat Concours, and Gas Scale Concours, and Great Raffle Prizes!

Other organization members registered to attend must have paid the IMPBA Single-Event Fee ONLINE ([www.IMPBA.net](http://www.IMPBA.net)) at least one week prior to the event.

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**JUNE**  
**4**  
**BURTON, MI**  
**Oakland-Wolverine**  
**Model Boat Club**

**"56th Annual Mini Gold Cup" .....#23-041 R**

**TIME: 9 AM**

Limited open water on Saturday, June 3rd in afternoon.  
Kelly Lake, 1130 Munson St., Burton, MI 48509

*The Oldest Model Boat Race in the Country.*

CLASSES: A/B, D, and Open Hydro; B & D Mono; Sport 20; Sport 40; 1/8 Scale; LSG Cat, Mono; LSG Sport Hydro; Classic Thunderboat; Gas Scale. **Pre-registration required by June 1, 2023.**

3 boats to make a class. 100 boat maximum. DII rules for Scale.

*Directions: Take I-69 to Exit at Center Road South, turn left onto Lapeer Road. Head east to Munson Street. Turn Left onto Munson. Park entrance on north side of road approx. half a mile.*

CD: Chris Capaldi (248) 375-9566

email: [ccapaldi@wowway.com](mailto:ccapaldi@wowway.com)

Assistant CD: Joe Wiebelhaus (586) 206-5066

email: [jwhydros@comcast.net](mailto:jwhydros@comcast.net)



**JUNE**  
**9 to 11**  
**SYCAMORE, GA**

**First Coast**  
**Model Boaters**

"D13 Grand Prix 25th Anniversary Celeb-race-tion" .....#23-012 R

**TIME: 8 AM Driver Meeting**

Open water Thursday, June 8  
SOWEGA Pond, 1966 Robert Davis Road, Sycamore, GA 31790

Listings and entry details on RCRacingEvents.com. **Pre-registration required by June 8. There is a 200 boat limit for GP races so enter early!** Minimum of 3 boats to make a class / 4 boats to make a jacket class.

Raffle, trophies, food, and giveaways throughout the race!

All registration fees to be paid, cards checked, and wristbands on before you launch a boat -- this includes open water. ALL IMPBA MEMBERSHIPS MUST BE PAID THROUGH IMPBA WEBSITE BEFORE ARRIVING AT THE POND!!!! Other organization members wishing to attend must pay the IMPBA Single-Event Fee online (IMPBA.net/memberships-applications) prior to the event.

CD: Adam Cook (904) 383-0122 email: FCMB904@gmail.com  
Assistant CD: Daniel Hall (904) 707-7413

**JUNE**  
**10**  
**PINE CITY, NY**

**Southern Tier NY**  
**RC Model Boaters**

"NY State Championship Series - Race #2" .....#23-017 R

**TIME: 9 AM / 8:45 Driver Meeting**

Open water Friday Noon to 6 p.m.  
Skip's Country Pond, 11755 East Hill Road, Pine City, NY 14871 (3 miles from Caton).

CLASSES: All IMPBA classes. Race committee reserves the right to combine. 3 boats to make a class. Single-day races will be 3 rounds. **Flyer on IMPBA.net for additional details. Pre-registration is appreciated.** Season champions awarded embroidered 2023 shirt based on scores earned from 6 eligible races.

Email entries to pkforcier@juno.com (include name/address/phone/email/classes), or call 607-738-4631, or mail to: Forcier, 793 Chamber Rd., Horseheads, NY 14845 with check payable to: Kathy Forcier.

Large roomy course with protected smooth water. Covered elevated driver's stand & covered pit tables. Free camping – MUST be requested in advance – contact Pete! Lots of motels in area.

CD: Pete Forcier (607) 738-4631 email: pkforcier@juno.com  
Assistant CD: Sue Rodas (585) 594-4844

**JUNE**  
**10 & 11**  
**MADISON, IN**

**Prop Walkers**  
**Model Boat Club**

"Dennis Holt Memorial Mini-Regatta" .....#23-027 R

**TIME: 9 AM**

Open water may be available June 9 by request  
Krueger Lake, Jefferson Proving Grounds, 101 W. JPG Ordnance Dr., Madison, IN 47250

**Listings on International Waters, D14, and PropWalkers facebook sites.**

All D14 points classes will be offered. FE classed will be run if time allows (see PropWalkers club rules for FE classes).

3 boats to make a class. **Pre-registration is not required, but recommended.** Food available onsite for purchase.

CD: CD: Kevin Lichlyter (812) 701-2748 email: klichlyter@gmail.com

**JUNE**  
**17**  
**CARLETON, MI**

**Motor City**  
**Model Boat Club**

"Power Stroke Classic" .....#23-013 R

**TIME: 9 AM**

No open water - no engines started prior to 9 AM race time.  
Ash Township Pond, 1677 Ready Road, Carleton, MI 48117 (Behind the Ash Township Hall)

GAS CLASSES: LSG Cat, Mono, Rigger, Sport Hydro; Classic Thunderboat; SS Mono; Crackerbox. Open Hydro-Cat-Mono Available.

NITRO CLASSES: Sport 40; Sport 20; 1/8 Scale; B Mono; A, B, D, E/F Hydro.

3 boats to make a class. **Pre-registration is required by June 14th.** Paved walking path around lake. A Father's Day weekend tradition for many families, so come out and enjoy a day of great racing and great friends! Food for donation: Hot dog lunch. Raffle prizes.

CD: Chris Rupley (419) 360-3230 email: JuiceRC@gmail.com

**Submit entries to:** Dave Muscat (734) 276-7545 email: dmuscat@osmjb.us

**JUNE**  
**17 & 18**  
**EVANSVILLE, IN**

**River City**  
**Racing Club**

"Little Thunder" ..... #23-032 R

**TIME: 9 AM**

Deaconess Sports Park, 6800 N. Green River Rd., Evansville, IN 47725  
Open water June 16 - Noon to sundown

CLASSES: RTR; Sport 20; Sport 40; 1/8 Scale; B Mod OB Tunnel; B Sport OB Tunnel; P-Limited FE; B Mono; Open Nitro OB Tunnel; Open Nitro Hydro; B Hydro; Open Nitro Mono; Gas Catamaran; Classic Thunderboat; 1/8 Scale FE; Open Gas Hydro; Gas Mono; Gas Sport Hydro; SS Gas Mono; P-Limited Novice; 1/6 Gas Scale; Jersey Skiff.

5 boats to make a class. **Pre-registration is required by June 17.**

CD: Aaron Johnson email: braceru31@gmail.com

**JULY**  
**8 & 9**  
**SOMERS, WI**

**Badger**  
**Model Boat Club**

"Thunderboat Throwdown" ..... #23-037 R

**TIME: 8:30 AM / Driver Meeting 8:15 AM**

Open water Friday, July 7 from Noon to 5 PM.  
Badger Pond, 11th Place, Somers, WI 53177.

**On Google Map, search "Badger Model Boat Club Pond". We have pinned the location.**

CLASSES: All IMPB classes offered. **Flyer on IMPBA.net.** 3 boats to make a class. Four rounds of racing, 8 laps per heat. Shootout format for classes of seven or more boats. **Top six in Thunderboat will run a 12-lap finale – winner receives a NEW Zenoah stock 260PUM Motor (no carb)! Electric Scale class limited to 8S battery combinations. D14 and RC Unlimited rules.**

50/50 Raffle – winner must be present during drawing. Camping allowed – no hookup.

**Online registration required on RCRacingEvents.com by July 6th.** Call Dave or Mike with registration questions.

*In Kenosha County at intersection of I-94 & Co Hwy E Exit I-94 at Hwy E, go east 1/4 mile to E. Frontage Rd. Turn north on Frontage Rd. and go 500 ft. to 11th Place. Pond entrance is 300 ft. west of E. Frontage Rd.*

CD: Cathy Preusse (847) 533-4694 email: catpreusse@gmail.com

Assistant CD: Dave Halverson (847) 613-8745 email: davidh144@yahoo.com

General questions? Mike Mischnick (224) 522-0230 email: mike7130@gmail.com

**JULY**  
**13 to 15**  
**HARRISON, OH**

**Cincinnati**  
**Model Boat Club**

"2023 IMPBA NITRO NATIONALS" ..... #23-011 R

**TIME: 8 AM - 6 PM**

Open water: July 12 after setup is complete  
Smith Tract, 6040 Kilby Road., Harrison, OH 45030  
Lake entrance: 6471 Dryfork Road, Cleves, OH 45002 (other side of lake)

**Pre-registration is required on RCRacingEvents.com by June 26, 2023.** Event will be run National Regatta Format 1 – Shootout. **250 boat limit.** 6 boats to make a class.

A, B, D, E, F, and Multi-Engine Hydro; B, D, E, F Mono; B, D, E/F OB Tunnel; B Sport OB Tunnel; Sport 20; Sport 40; 1/8 Scale. (E and F Outboard will run combined). CD reserves the right to limit entries to respect time constraints.

Tentative schedule:

**Racing Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.**

**Sunday, July 16 will be reserved as a make-up day in case of inclement weather.**

Banquet & Raffle on Friday night - information to come.

IMPBA Nitro President's Cup for best single performance of 2 boats in heat racing, and the William LeFeber Sportsman Award. Great Raffle Prizes! Hotel, food, and other information will be available at registration.

CD: Mike Betke (248) 388-8099 email: betkehydro@gmail.com

Assistant CD: Brian Blazer (513) 262-4931 email: blazermarine@gmail.com



**JULY**  
**15**  
**PINE CITY, NY**  
**Southern Tier NY**  
**RC Model Boaters**

"NY State Championship Series - Race #3" .....#23-018 R

**TIME: 9 AM / 8:45 Driver Meeting**

Open water Friday Noon to 6 p.m.  
 Skip's Country Pond, 11755 East Hill Road, Pine City, NY 14871 (3 miles from Caton).

CLASSES: All IMPBA classes. Race committee reserves the right to combine. 3 boats to make a class. Single-day races will be 3 rounds. **Flyer on IMPBA.net for additional details.**

**Pre-registration is appreciated** Season champions awarded embroidered 2023 shirt based on scores earned from 6 eligible races.

Email entries to pkforcier@juno.com (include name/address/phone/email/classes), or call 607-738-4631, or mail to: Forcier, 793 Chamber Rd., Horseheads, NY 14845 with check payable to: Kathy Forcier.

Large roomy course with protected smooth water. Covered elevated driver's stand & covered pit tables. Free camping – MUST be requested in advance – contact Pete! Lots of motels in area.

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**JULY**  
**15 & 16**  
**ATLANTA, GA**  
**Atlanta**  
**Model Boaters**

"2022 AMB Grand Prix 2" .....#23-015 R

**TIME: 9 AM Sat. / 8 AM Sun.**

Open water July 14.  
 Morning Creek Lake, 1000 Naturally Fresh Blvd., Atlanta, GA 30349

**200 boat limit, so get your entries in early.** Class listings and entries handled via www.RCRacingEvents.com. 3 boats to make a class. **Pre-registration is required by July 7.**

The District XIII GRAND PRIX SERIES runs under District XIII bylaws and IMPBA rules. Please review the rules and be familiar with the ELIGIBILITY Requirements for a class to qualify for a Championship Jacket.

See RCRacingEvents.com for all posted rule deviations.

CD: Norman Morton (678) 772-3018 email: norwen@att.net

**JULY**  
**21 to 23**  
**ST. ANNE, IL**  
**Riptide R/C**  
**Boat Club**

"Ken Stang Shootout" .....#23-007 R

**TIME: 1 PM Friday - First Round**

Open water Friday  
 St. Anne Village Pond, 220 N. Second Ave., St. Anne, IL 60964

**Listings and entry details on RCRacingEvents.com. Pre-registration encouraged by July 20.**

**We are combing the Ken Stang Memorial Regatta and the Thunderboat Shootout races into one 2 & 1/2 day event this year.** It will begin with 1 round run on Friday afternoon, 3 rounds on Saturday, and 1 round plus Consi & Finals on Sunday.

1/8 Scale Kenny Stang Traveling Trophy, SS Mono Traveling Trophy, Thunderboat 10-Lap Final Traveling Trophy plus motor will be awarded at this race. Food on site.

3 boats to make a class. Open Offshore is any IMPBA legal boat - no cowl or numbers required.

1/8 FE Scale - Limited to 8S and 57mm prop. See D4 Scale registration form for more FE Scale info.

CD: Dan Pralle (815) 592-2300 email: danpralle@gmail.com

Assistant CD: Duke Mordja

**AUGUST**  
**5**  
**STARLIGHT, IN**  
**Southern Indiana**  
**PropNuts**

"Wine Run" .....#23-040 R

**TIME: 9 AM**

Huber Pond at Huber Orchard and Winery, 19816 Huber Rd., Starlight /Borden, IN 47106  
 Open water August 4th after 5 PM.

CLASSES: RTR; Sport 20; Sport 40; B Sport Tunnel; 1/8 Scale; Gas Mono; Gas Sport Hydro; Classic Thunderboat; Gas Cat; 1/6 Gas Scale; SS Mono.

3 boats to make a class /5 boats to make a trophy class. **Pre-registration required - cash only.** Food and snacks available on site.

CD: Gary Cook (502) 773-6505 email: garyandcindy93@gmail.com

Assistant CD: Sam Hagan (502) 544-6966 email: samhaganjr@gmail.com



AUGUST

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BURTON, MI

Transom Twisters  
Model Boat Club

"HydroFest 2023" ..... #23-023 R

**TIME: 8 AM**

Kelly Lake Park, 1130 Munson Street, Burton, MI 48509-1814

NITRO CLASSES: 1/8 Scale; Sport 40; A Hydro; B Hydro, D Hydro; Sport 20.

GAS CLASSES: Classic Thunderboat; LSG 27 Mono; LSG 27 Cat; Sport Hydro.

**Pre-registration required.** 3 boats to make a class. Watch for information and listing on RCRacingEvents.com

CD: Tom Kelly (586) 566-0639 email: theeonque@comcast.net

Assistant CD: Mark Baetens (586) 945-0467 email: markatark@hotmail.com

AUGUST

12

PINE CITY, NY

Southern Tier NY  
RC Model Boaters

"NY State Championship Series - Race #4" ..... #23-019 R

**TIME: 9 AM / 8:45 Driver Meeting**

Open water Friday Noon to 6 p.m.

Skip's Country Pond, 11755 East Hill Road, Pine City, NY 14871 (3 miles from Caton).

CLASSES: All IMPBA classes. Race committee reserves the right to combine. 3 boats to make a class. Single-day races will be 3 rounds. **Flyer on IMPBA.net for additional details.**

**Pre-registration is appreciated.** Season champions awarded embroidered 2023 shirt based on scores earned from 6 eligible races.

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Large roomy course with protected smooth water. Covered elevated driver's stand & covered pit tables. Free camping – MUST be requested in advance – contact Pete! Lots of motels in area.

CD: Pete Forcier (607) 738-4631 email: pkforcier@juno.com

Assistant CD: Sue Rodas (585) 594-4844

AUGUST

13

OAK FOREST, IL

Marquette RC  
Boat Club

"Chicago Challenge" ..... #23-036 R

**TIME: 8:45 AM.**

Cook County Forest Preserve-Midlothian Reservoir, 16th & Cicero Avenue, Oak Forest, IL 60452

All IMPBA classes will be offered. Flyer available on MPBA.net. **Pre-registration required by August 8 on RCRacingEvents.com.**

3 boats to make a class – classes may be combined to accommodate racers.

Audio clock. No re-launch. 1/4-mile oval with 35 ft. radius turn. 3 rounds of racing – time and weather permitting. Food available for a donation. 50/50 Raffle and Boat/Parts Raffle!!

CD: Joe Lauletta (708) 220-3311 email: zorrochili@aol.com

Assistant CD: Jeff Benuzzi (630) 605-7437 email: wd9gvu@aol.com

For more information contact: Jim Kapanowski (708) 651-1969

AUGUST

19 & 20

CELINA, OH

Driftwood R/C  
Model Boat Club

"Celina Summer Challenge" ..... #23-022 R

**TIME: 8 AM Driver Meeting**

Open Water Friday, August 18 from 1 PM - 5 PM

Eastview Park Pond, SR 29, 2001 E. Livingston St., Celina, OH 45822

**Pre-registration required by July 21.** See flyer on IMPBA.net for entry details & FE rules sheet or email Driftwoodmbc@gmail.com for complete rules.

CLASSES: B Tunnel; B Mono; B Hydro; B Sport Tunnel; Sport 20; D Mono; D Hydro; Sport 40; 1/8 Scale; RTR; OPEN Rigger, Tunnel, Gas Sport Hydro, Gas Mono, & Gas Cat; Thunderboat; Jersey Skiff; Gas Scale; SS Gas Mono; FE Scale; P Ltd. and Q Ltd. offering Tunnel, Sport Hydro, & Mono.

*RTR– District 14 rules. Series Points D2/D14 - District Rules apply. P limited & Q limited rules.*

5 boats to make a trophy class. 3 boats to make a racing class. **150 boat limit**/classes may be combined. Shootout format. Top 6 boats to the 4th round with points carrying over.

On-site camping permitted (no hookups). Several motels nearby. Raffle and food available.

CD: Dan Kramer (419) 692-1136 email: dkramer@wcoil.com

Assistant CD: Garry Geiselman (260) 437-0143 email: Driftwoodmbc@gmail.com

**AUGUST  
26 & 27  
STONEY CREEK, ON**

**Northern Lights  
Model Boat Club**

"The CAN-AM" ..... #23-008 R

**TIME: 9 AM - 6 PM**

Open water Friday, Noon until 5 PM  
Fifty Point Conservation Area, 1479 Baseline Road, Stoney Creek (Winona), ON L8E 3L8

**Pre-registration required at [www.RCRacingEvents.com](http://www.RCRacingEvents.com) by August 26 at 5 pm**

All IMPBA legal classes.

5 boats to make a class. Shootout format. Top six in the final round. "Oneida Cup" awarded for a racer running highest points in two classes. **Kids under 17 run FREE** – Novice Trophy. Huge raffle and 50/50 drawings!

**Note:** FE P Limited Motors = Inrunner design, single 37mm x 60mm (max) includes bearing protrusions.

CD: Terry Keeley (905) 819-4571 email: [tkee@rogers.com](mailto:tkee@rogers.com)

Assistant CD: Randy Rapedius (289) 396-3465 email: [randy\\_rap@cogeco.ca](mailto:randy_rap@cogeco.ca)

**AUGUST  
26 & 27  
SOMERS, WI**

**Badger  
Model Boat Club**

"Super Sport Throwdown" ..... #23-038 R

**TIME: 8:30 AM / Driver Meeting 8:15 AM**

Open water Friday, August 25 from Noon to 5 PM.  
Badger Pond, 11th Place, Somers, WI 53177.

**On Google Map, search "Badger Model Boat Club Pond". We have pinned the location.**

CLASSES: All IMPB classes offered. Flyer on IMPBA.net. **Online registration required on [RCRacingEvents.com](http://RCRacingEvents.com) by August 25th.** Call Dave or Mike with registration questions.

3 boats to make a class. Four rounds of racing, 8 laps per heat. Shootout format for classes of seven or more boats. 5th round shootout for classes with more than 4 boats. **SuperSport Mono class will run 5 rounds and a 12-lap finale for top 6 boats – winner awarded a brand NEW Zenoah 260PUM motor** (no carb)!

Custom Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals for classes with 5 or more boats. (Gold only for 4 or less) 50/50 Raffle – winner must be present during drawing. Camping allowed – no hookup.

*In Kenosha County at intersection of 1-94 & Co Hwy E Exit I-94 at Hwy E, go east 1/4 mile to E. Frontage Rd. Turn north on Frontage Rd. and go 500 ft. to 11th Place. Pond entrance is 300 ft. west of E. Frontage Rd.*

CD: Cathy Preusse (847) 533-4694 email: [catpreusse@gmail.com](mailto:catpreusse@gmail.com)

Assistant CD: Dave Halverson (847) 613-8745 email: [davidh144@yahoo.com](mailto:davidh144@yahoo.com)

General questions? Mike Mischnick (224) 522-0230 email: [mike7130@gmail.com](mailto:mike7130@gmail.com)

**SEPTEMBER  
8 to 10  
PENDLETON, IN**

**Indy Model  
Boat Club**

"Indy Masters" ..... #23-025 R

**TIME: 8 AM**

Open water Sep. 7th 8 AM 'till dusk  
Mystic Waters Campground, 5435 W. SR 38, Pendleton, IN 46064

Class listings and entry on [RaceDayOnline.com](http://RaceDayOnline.com). (<https://app.eventconnect.io/racedayonline>)

**Indy Masters Green Jacket awarded for First Place in class!**

Mystic Waters Family Campground offers a "Stay and Race" opportunity with cabins available for rent as well as a variety of RV and tent camping sites for an easy transition between racing and relaxing. For those wanting to stay off property there are hotels within 10 miles of the site and reservations can be made through the event portal.

250 boat maximum. 3 boats for series/ 6 boat all others. **Pre-registration is required by July 1st.**

CLASSES: A, B, D, E, F Hydro; Multi-Engine Hydro; B Sport OB Tunnel; Sport 20; Sport 40; 1/8 Scale; Multi-Engine; Unlimited; 1/6 Gas Scale; Classic Thunderboat; Gas Sport Hydro; Gas Mono; Gas Cat; Open FE; Open Nitro Mono; RTR. *Series classes are: RTR, B Sport Tunnel, Sport 20, Sport 40, 1/8 Scale, 1/6 Scale Gas, Thunderboat, Gas Sport Hydro, Gas Mono, and Gas Cat.*

CD: Bruce Jacobs (317) 727-8769

email: [bjacobs74@gmail.com](mailto:bjacobs74@gmail.com)

SEPTEMBER

9

PINE CITY, NY

Southern Tier NY  
RC Model Boaters

"NY State Championship Series - Race #5" .....#23-020 R

**TIME: 9 AM / 8:45 Driver Meeting**

Open water Friday Noon to 6 p.m.

Skip's Country Pond, 11755 East Hill Road, Pine City, NY 14871 (3 miles from Caton).

CLASSES: All IMPBA classes. Race committee reserves the right to combine. 3 boats to make a class. Single-day races will be 3 rounds. **Flyer on IMPBA.net for additional details. Pre-registration is appreciated.** Season champions awarded embroidered 2023 shirt based on scores earned from 6 eligible races.

Email entries to pkforcier@juno.com (include name/address/phone/email/classes), or call 607-738-4631, or mail to: Forcier, 793 Chamber Rd., Horseheads, NY 14845 with check payable to: Kathy Forcier.

Large roomy course with protected smooth water. Covered elevated driver's stand & covered pit tables. Free camping – MUST be requested in advance – contact Pete! Lots of motels in area.

CD: Pete Forcier (607) 738-4631 email: pkforcier@juno.com

Assistant CD: Sue Rodas (585) 594-4844

SEPTEMBER

9 & 10

SYCAMORE, GA

First Coast  
Model Boaters

"FCMB Grand Prix" .....#23-044 R

**TIME: 9 AM / 8:45 Driver Meeting**

Open water Friday, September 8

SOWEGA Pond, 1966 Robert Davis Road, Sycamore, GA 31790

Listings and entry details on RCRacingEvents.com. **Pre-registration required by September 4.** There is a **200 boat limit for GP races** so enter early! 3 boats to make a class.

All registration fees to be paid, cards checked, and wristbands on before you launch a boat -- this includes open water. All IMPBA memberships must be paid through the IMPBA website before arriving at the pond!!! Other organization members wishing to attend must pay the IMPBA Single-Event Fee online (IMPBA.net/memberships-applications) prior to the event.

CD: Adam Cook (904) 383-0122 email: FCMB904@gmail.com

Assistant CD: Daniel Hall (904) 707-7413

SEPTEMBER

17

ROCHESTER HILLS, MI

Oakland-Wolverine  
Model Boat Club

"District II Challenge" .....#23-042 R

**TIME: 9 AM**

(Park opens at 7 a.m. No engines running before 9 a.m. on race day)

Open water on Saturday, Sep. 16 from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m. after course set-up.

Thelma G. Spencer Park Lake, 3701 John R. Road, Rochester Hills, MI 48309

**Entries limited to the first 100 boats!** 3 boats to make a class. **Pre-registration required by Thursday, Sep. 13.**

CLASSES: B and D Mono; A, B, D, and Open Hydro; Sport 20; Sport 40; 1/8 Scale; 1/6 Gas Scale; LSG Sport Hydro; Classic Thunderboat; LSG Mono. DII rules for Scale.

CD: Bert Dygert (248) 221-0901 email: dannicdyg@yahoo.com

Assistant CD: Garl Clement (586) 344-3155 email: hydroplanes@wowway.com

SEPTEMBER

23 & 24

FLINT, MI

F.A.S.T.  
(Flint Associated  
Speed Team)

"Need For Speed at Thread Lake" .....#23-010 RT

**Timed event for 1/16 mile SAW, 1/3 mile Oval. TIME: 8:30 AM until dusk**

Thread Lake, Flint MI 48503. North end of Orville St., adjacent to UAW Fwy.

BACKUP DATE: September 30 & October 1.

An announcement will be made by 6 PM Thursday, Sep. 21 if using backup date due to weather.

CLASSES: All IMPBA legal classes. Pre-registration is not required. \$25 flat fee to enter, come anytime and run as often as time permits until dusk.

CD: Terry Keeley (905) 819-4571 email: tkee@rogers.com

Assistant CD: Mike Nowicki (810) 367-6604 email: mnowicki62@gmail.com



**SEPTEMBER  
23 & 24  
EVANSVILLE, IN**

**River City  
Racing Club**

"Jack Kohlmeyer Fall Classic" ..... #23-033 R

**TIME: 9 AM**

Deaconess Sports Park, 6800 N. Green River Rd., Evansville, IN 47725

Open water: Sep. 22 from Noon to sundown.

CLASSES: RTR; Sport 20; Sport 40; 1/8 Scale; B Mod OB Tunnel; B Sport OB Tunnel; P-Limited FE; B Mono; Open Nitro OB Tunnel; Open Nitro Hydro; B Hydro; Open Nitro Mono; Gas Catamaran; Classic Thunderboat; 1/8 Scale FE; Open Gas Hydro; Gas Mono; Gas Sport Hydro; SS Gas Mono; P-Limited Novice; 1/6 Gas Scale; Jersey Skiff.

5 boats to make a class. **Pre-registration is required by Sep. 23**

CD: Aaron Johnson email: braceru31@gmail.com

Assistant CD: Mike Schindler email: saymikey@gmail.com

**SEPTEMBER  
30  
PINE CITY, NY**

**Southern Tier NY  
RC Model Boaters**

"NY State Championship Series - Race #6" ..... #23-021 R

**TIME: 9 AM / 8:45 Driver Meeting**

Open water Friday Noon to 6 p.m.

Skip's Country Pond, 11755 East Hill Road, Pine City, NY 14871 (3 miles from Caton).

CLASSES: All IMPBA classes. Race committee reserves the right to combine. 3 boats to make a class. Single-day races will be 3 rounds. **Flyer on IMPBA.net for additional details.**

**Pre-registration is appreciated. Season champions awarded embroidered 2023 shirt based on scores earned from 6 eligible races.**

Email entries to pkforcier@juno.com (include name/address/phone/email/classes), or call 607-738-4631, or mail to: Forcier, 793 Chamber Rd., Horseheads, NY 14845 with check payable to: Kathy Forcier.

Large roomy course with protected smooth water. Covered elevated driver's stand & covered pit tables. Free camping – MUST be requested in advance – contact Pete! Lots of motels in area.

CD: Pete Forcier (607) 738-4631 email: pkforcier@juno.com

Assistant CD: Sue Rodas (585) 594-4844

**SEP / OCT  
30 & 1  
JOHNSTON CITY, IL**

**St. Louis  
Thunderboaters**

"Midwest Scale Championships" ..... #23-030 R

**TIME: 8 AM Driver meeting**

Arrowhead Lake Campground, 1600 Peterson Ave., Johnston City, IL 62951

www.JohnstonCityCampground.com

Open water September 29 - Noon until 6 p.m.

**Entry and class details on www.thunderboaters.com. Pre-registration required by Sep. 25.**

5 boats to make a class. Traveling Trophies for 1/8 Scale, 1/6 Scale, Sport 40, Classic Thunderboat. Traveling trophy classes will run 4 rounds, all others run 3 rounds.

CD: James Ellet (618) 658-0524

Assistant CD: Wes Ellet (618) 771-3896

For information email: thunderboaters@gmail.com

**OCTOBER  
6 to 8  
JOHNS ISLAND, SC**

**Charleston  
Model Boaters**

"2022 CMB Fall Nationals" ..... #23-026 R

**TIME: 9 AM**

Controlled Open Water ONLY on Thursday Oct. 5.

No other open water is allowed and will be strictly enforced!

Island Lake, 1673 Fern Hill Dr., Johns Island, SC 29455

**Watch for class listings, additional class details, and entry information on RCRacingEvents.com.**

3 boats to make a class. **Pre-registration is required.**

Four rounds time and weather permitting. Full mill course, 6 laps. 92dB strictly enforced.

Only canopies and vendors allowed on front side along water – NO EXCEPTION.

Nearby hotels available.

CD: Randy Corbin (843) 696-7963 email: randy.m.corbin@gmail.com

**OCTOBER  
14 & 15  
SOMERS, WI**

**Badger  
Model Boat Club**

“Badger Fall Shootout” .....#23-039 R

**TIME: 8:30 AM / Driver Meeting 8:15 AM**

Open water October 13 from Noon to 5 PM.  
Badger Pond, 11th Place, Somers, WI 53177.

**On Google Map, search "Badger Model Boat Club Pond". We have pinned the location.**

All IMPB classes offered. **Flyer on IMPBA.net.** 3 boats to make a class. 8 laps of racing per heat. Four rounds of racing. 5th round for classes with 4 or more entries. Shootout format for classes with seven or more entries.

Electric Scale class will be limited to 8S battery combinations. D14 and RC Unlimited rules.

Camping allowed – no hookup. 50/50 Raffle – must be present to win.

**Online registration required at RCRacingEvents.com by October 12.** Call Dave or Mike with registration questions.

*Exit I-94 at Hwy E, go east 1/4 mile to E. Frontage Rd. Turn north on Frontage Rd. and go 500 ft. to 11th Place. Pond entrance is 300 ft. west of E. Frontage Rd.*

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General questions? Mike Mischnick (224) 522-0230 email: mike7130@gmail.com

**OCTOBER  
21 & 22  
HARRISON, OH**

**Cincinnati  
Model Boat Club**

“CMBC 2022 Oval Record Trials” .....#23-043 RT

**Timed event for 1/3 mile Oval and 1/4 mile Oval.**

**TIME: Event starts when timing system is operational – approx. 8 AM until dusk**

6040 Kilby Road, Harrison, OH 45030. Lake entrance: 6471 Dryfork Road, Cleves, OH 45002.

All IMPBA record eligible classes in Nitro, Gas & Fast Electric. 1/4 Mile and 1/3 Mile Oval only.

**Pre-registration is not required –but please email to let us know you will be coming.**

**\$20 flat fee -- run as often as weather permits.** Fee is payable prior to first run. IMPBA membership required.

NOTE: Witching Hour Rules (1 hour prior to sunset) -- Only drivers whose boats have been within 5% of the record during the event, or that current record holder will be allowed to run on the short list. *If no one on the short list elects to run, other participants from the daily list may run until someone on the short list elects to run again, however at no time may someone on the short list give up their spot to someone not on the short list.*

CD: TJ Hammons (513) 675-6350 email: Thammons92@gmail.com

Contact: Mario Johnston (513) 675-6350 email: cincymbc@gmail.com



**NOVEMBER  
4 & 5  
SYCAMORE, GA**

**SOWEGA  
Model Boaters**

"SOWEGA Grand Prix II" .....#23-006 R

**TIME: 9 AM**

Open water November 3 beginning 9 AM  
SOWEGA Pond, 1966 Robert Davis Road, Sycamore, GA 31790

**Class listings and entry details on RCRacingEvents.com. 200 boat limit at Grand Prix races. Pre-registration required by Oct. 23.** 3 boats to make a class / 4 boats to make a jacket class.

ALL IMPBA MEMBERSHIPS & SINGLE-EVENT FEES MUST BE PAID THROUGH IMPBA WEBSITE BEFORE ARRIVING AT THE POND!!!! All registration fees to be paid, cards checked, and wristbands on before you launch a boat -- this includes open water.

**Raffle prizes!**

Contact us regarding availability of camping and campers hook-ups. Visit [sowegamodelboaters.com](http://sowegamodelboaters.com) for more info.

CD: Julie Gilley (229) 392-4936 email: [jgilley48@gmail.com](mailto:jgilley48@gmail.com)  
Assistant CD: Norman Morton 404-761-3775

**NOVEMBER  
17 to 19  
RESERVE, LA**

**Voodoo Model  
Boat Club**

"Voodoo World Championships" .....#23-046 R

**TIME: 7:30 AM driver meeting each day**

Open water Thursday, Nov. 16 - ALL DAY  
Voodoo Pond, 451 Airport Rd., Reserve, LA 70084

**ENTRY opening date 8/19 on RCRacingEvents.com.** This event has become one of the most competitive this hobby has to offer, and brings with it some of the fastest boats and greatest drivers from around the world. Mark those calendars and come enjoy some New Orleans hospitality!

**250 boat limit.** 3 boats to make a class. **Pre-registration required on RCRacingEvents.com by August 10.** Must pay fees at time of entry. See entry site for additional class details.

*Tentative Schedule:*

FRIDAY: Super Sport Mono; Thunderboat; Crackerbox; Jersey Skiff; D Hydro; F Hydro; 1/6 Scale Gas; 1/8 Scale Nitro; LSG Tunnel.

SATURDAY: Open Mono, Cat, Sport Hydro, Rigger; Open Offshore; B Sport Tunnel; F Mono; Sport 40 Hydro, E Hydro

SUNDAY: LSG 27 Mono, Cat, Sport Hydro, Rigger; Super Boat Offshore; B Mono; B Hydro; Twin Nitro Hydro, King of Da Swamp (TOP 3 NITRO VS TOP 3 GAS TWIN RIGGERS)

Voodoo Cornhole Championships! Food vendor on site throughout the event. Plenty of pit space and parking for large trailers/motor homes –low voltage hook-up and water. Hotels nearby.

Co-CDs: Nick Hartdegen (225) 461-9269 email: [njhrecovery1@gmail.com](mailto:njhrecovery1@gmail.com) /  
Jesse Lee (504) 329-1825 email: [jessemlee@bellsouth.net](mailto:jessemlee@bellsouth.net)

**NOVEMBER  
26 & 27  
HUNTSVILLE, AL**

**Huntsville Model  
Boating Association**

"IMPBA Record Trials" .....#23-035 RT

**Timed event for 1/16 mile SAW, 1/3 mile Oval, 1/4 mile Oval.**

**TIME: Event starts when timing system is operational – approx. 8 AM until dark**

Brahan Spring Park South Lake - next to Natatorium (indoor pool), 2111 Drake Ave.,  
Huntsville, AL 35805

CLASSES: Any IMPBA legal boat/hull/motor can run. All IMPBA record eligible classes in Nitro, Gas & Fast Electric. 1/16 Mile SAW, 1/3 & 1/4 Mile Oval will be options at CD's discretion & majority of contestants. **Pre-registration is not required –but please email Rick or Mark to let us know you will be coming.** Plenty of room for tents and equipment. \$25 flat fee run as often as weather permits. Fee is payable prior to first run.

**NOTE:** Witching Hour Rules (1 hour prior to sunset) -- Only drivers whose boats have been within 5% of the record during the event, or that current record holder will be allowed to run on the short list. *If no one on the short list elects to run, other participants from the daily list may run until someone on the short list elects to run again.*

CD: Rick Grim (256) 656-0859 email: [uvapilot@bellsouth.net](mailto:uvapilot@bellsouth.net)  
Assistant CD: Mark Grim (714) 615-9974 email: [mgrim@mindspring.com](mailto:mgrim@mindspring.com)



Watch for updates & new listings on <https://impba.net/races-events/list/>



# REMEMBER: SAFE BOATING IS NO ACCIDENT!

**It's up to all of us to stay safe, so if you see something... say something!**

## GENERAL

All IMPBA members and /or contestants are responsible to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with the concept of good sportsmanship: to wit, a person who plays fair and conducts him/herself in an acceptable fashion while participating in IMPBA events.

The use of alcohol or illegal substance and/or abuse of prescription drugs while participating in an IMPBA race or sanctioned event is considered unacceptable conduct and is a Code of Conduct violation.

IMPBA reserves the right to deny membership to any individual who has, at any time, demonstrated unsafe boating practices, been suspended, or banned from another boating organization for any amount of time, or for any reason.

Adequate provisions shall be made for the safety of the contestants and spectators.

Club Safety Officers should inspect the pond area prior to Open Water, or start of events to ensure IMPBA rules are in effect and adequate protections are in place. A first-aid kit should be maintained by the officer.

Boats not considered safe may be denied running privileges. Additionally, boats that show erratic behavior indicating possible control problems may be ordered off the course and given points for "Did Not Finish." The driver must demonstrate the problem has been repaired before he/she may continue in the next heat.

Frequency flags/tags and impound procedures will be used on transmitters. A radio may only be turned on when the correct frequency flag/tag is available. 2.4 Ghz frequency transmitters are exempt from these rules.

## SITE SAFETY

"NO SWIMMING" signs MUST be posted on all sides of pond.  
No person shall be permitted in the water without express permission of the Contest Director.

No model boats may run while the retrieve boat is working or any full-size boat is in operation.

Persons under 16 must wear U.S.C.G. approved personal flotation device while operating the retrieve boat. PFD should be available for each person in the boat.

Safety Netting should be placed on all sides of the pond exposed directly to spectators and contestants. Any area not covered by netting MUST be kept free of all people and animals during the event using signs, ropes, or barriers.

Caution tape, signs, barriers, fencing and/or netting shall be used to keep spectators out of the water and a minimum of 25 feet from the shoreline, and signs posted: "No Spectators Beyond This Point"

**Race officials, contestants, and assistants (PAID IMPBA only) are the only persons allowed in the restricted pit/engine test area (Neon safety wristbands should be issued to all to easily identify).**

An effort should be made to protect boaters in the pit area by using netting, or a raised launch area.

Tent & canopy, or similar, must have in-ground anchor.

Fire extinguishers MUST be in the pit/engine test area.

No smoking in pit/engine test area.

Host club should provide depository for disposal of racers' contaminated fuel

Drivers stands/steps should have reasonably slip-resistant surface and hand-rails on all sides.

## SAFE OPERATION

Whenever running a boat, whether during a race or practicing, there must be a spotter for each driver to watch for unsafe conditions.

When in the pit/engine test/launch areas shoes MUST be worn. Sandals or open-toe shoes are NOT acceptable.

Boaters should test their radio operation before starting an engine.

Always WALK TO THE LAUNCH SITE.

Once a boat passes the entrance buoy, there will be NO RE-LAUNCH.

Never bring a boat to the pit area straight in —  
ALWAYS RUN PARALLEL TO SHORE while slowing it down.

**This review is NOT an all inclusive list of Safety Rules. Additional rules apply.**



**Please review the entire Safety section of the IMPBA Rule Book!**





# International Model Power Boat Association

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## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Fill out on computer or PRINT ALL INFORMATION CLEARLY and mail with payment by check or money order (US funds only) payable to: IMPBA  
If signing up a Junior member without a parent, -- application must include the minor's birthdate and have Parent or Guardian signature.\*

New Member  Renewing Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_ IMPBA # \_\_\_\_\_ District # (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
\* Required for Minor applicants

Address \_\_\_\_\_ SUITE / APT # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_ Country \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Club Affiliation (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

**Racing Interests:**  Nitro Powered  Fast Electric  Gasoline Powered  Electric Scale/Steam  RTR

Everyone MUST read and complete below — Applications without completed waiver\* will be returned.

### Safety Regulations Compliance

I agree to comply with all IMPBA Safety and Racing Regulations both current and future for all applicable model operations. I understand that my failure to comply with the Safety Regulations will result in failure of liability coverage for any damages or claims so caused. I further understand that written notice must be provided within ten business days of the occurrence of any incident.

### Waiver and Release of Liability Statement

I am aware that modeling may present hazards to participants and spectators. I exempt, waive, and relieve the International Model Powerboat Association (IMPBA), its President, Secretary, elected and appointed personnel and their assistants from all current or future liability for personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death. I understand that this waiver does not affect my liability insurance coverage. I understand that this waiver means that if I am involved in any claim I will not sue IMPBA.

This waiver shall be in force at all times I am a member of IMPBA.

\_\_\_\_\_ Applicant \*\*       \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \*\*       \_\_\_\_\_ Parent or Legal Guardian of Minor applicant \*

\*\* \* By checking the box by my name, I certify that I have read the Safety Regulations Compliance and Waiver and Release of Liability Statement and accept the terms. Typed names will hold the same legal weight as written signatures.

### SENIOR MEMBERSHIP

For anyone 18 years and older per year.  
For insurance coverage.

EARLY RENEW - Current IMPBA Members ONLY if paid by DECEMBER 31 .....  \$50  
 NEW MEMBERS & Renewals paid January 1 through August 31 .....  \$60  
 LATE SEASON begins Sept. 1 — New & Renew for remainder of season (4 mos.) ...  \$30

### FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

Spouse and/or children under 18 years living in same household as the Senior Member.  
\$10 each per year —  
For insurance coverage.

Spouse Name _____	Birthdate _____	Spouse ..... <input type="checkbox"/> \$10
Child Name _____	Son or Daughter _____	Birthdate REQUIRED
Child Name _____	Son or Daughter _____	Birthdate REQUIRED
		Child ..... <input type="checkbox"/> \$10
		Child ..... <input type="checkbox"/> \$10

### JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

Under 18 years not joining with a parent — \$10 per year.  
For insurance coverage.

Birthdate is REQUIRED on the member information section. Application must include the Parent or Legal Guardian signature in waiver box to be processed. Junior .....  \$10

**RULE BOOK sections are available for view/download on www.impba.net at NO COST.**  
 Printed Rule Book (3-hole punched pages) \$15 EACH Qty. \_\_\_\_\_ Rule Book(s) ...  \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**ROOSTERTAIL Newsletter issues for view/download on www.impba.net at NO COST**  
 Printed Roostertail, B/W, 1st Class Post in US @ \$30 Roostertail .....  \$30

Expiration of Membership is December 31. TOTAL AMOUNT SUBMITTED \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 \* NO REFUNDS except duplicate or overpayments \*

FOR OFFICE USE

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Current

Ck# / PP# : \_\_\_\_\_

card mailed date: \_\_\_\_\_

Q# : \_\_\_\_\_

Mail with check or money order (US funds only) payable to IMPBA to:  
**IMPBA, PO Box 140571, Toledo, OH 43614**  
 \* Allow 10 days for check processing \* \* Send Money Order for immediate processing \*

**This page intentionally left blank.  
Cut along dotted line to use the mail-in membership  
form on preceding page.**

**Additional forms and helpful information your club  
may need can be found on the IMPBA website:  
[impba.net/forms-boater-information/](http://impba.net/forms-boater-information/)**







# International Model Power Boat Association

P.O. Box 140571, Toledo, OH 43614

Email: secretary@impba.net



## IMPBA CLUB REGISTRATION & INSURANCE APPLICATION

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Club President \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ IMPBA# \_\_\_\_\_

President Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

President E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ (will be listed on the IMPBA website)

Club Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ IMPBA# \_\_\_\_\_

Sec. Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Club website or facebook URL: \_\_\_\_\_

**TO REGISTER THE CLUB:**  
You must have  
**5 CURRENT VOTING MEMBERS**  
**RENEWED WITH IMPBA**  
**for the year you are applying for. \***  
Junior members do not count toward 5

1. Club President above is current at time of application along with the following members:

2. Name & IMPBA # \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name & IMPBA # \_\_\_\_\_

4. Name & IMPBA # \_\_\_\_\_

5. Name & IMPBA # \_\_\_\_\_

### Information for CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE - **The Club will be emailed a PDF copy of the COI.**

Name of Water to be Insured \_\_\_\_\_

Address or Location \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ For insurance be as accurate as possible!

Name of Property Owner (person or government) - **The insurance company will mail an original certificate to the address provided below. A PDF (preferred method) will be sent if you provide an email address.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State/Prov \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email address of property owner: \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the above named Pond or Lake meets the IMPBA requirements for an approved site including:**

- A. The site is closed to public swimming or wading while IMPBA boats are operating.
- B. The site is posted with "NO SWIMMING" signs.
- C. The site is closed to all publicly-operated watercraft while IMPBA boats are operating.

**I certify that I have read the list of IMPBA Safety Regulations and state that our club will abide by them.**

Signature of Club President \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of District Director \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT! YOUR CLUB IS NOT REGISTERED UNTIL APPROVED BY THE DISTRICT DIRECTOR. IF YOU DON'T HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO OBTAIN DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE, THE OFFICE WILL EMAIL THE DIRECTOR TO VERIFY YOU HAVE CONTACTED HIM/HER.**

**EARLY REGISTRATION DISCOUNT \***  
**Before January 1 .... \$40**

**Club Registration Fee \$50.00** which includes 1 site..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Site Fee \$10** (Use separate form for each site) ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check or money order (US Funds) payable to IMPBA **TOTAL \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**SEND A PAYPAL INVOICE TO:** \_\_\_\_\_ **email**

OFFICE USE  
CK/MO # \_\_\_\_\_  
PP Invoice # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Q Entered \_\_\_\_\_

## Q. When Is a Race Sanction Needed?

A. As a general guideline, your club should send in a sanction form for any event which you intend to advertise and invite persons outside of your club. This includes other IMPBA members and other recognized organization members such as NAMBA. This also allows you to accept the Single-Event Fee from a NAMBA member to enable him/her to race and be covered by IMPBA general liability insurance. Also any special exhibition races that you expect to be covered by IMPBA insurance need to be sanctioned as the site for the event must meet IMPBA safety criteria to be covered under our policy. A club race just for your club members does not require a sanction. Only sanctioned events & flyers will be listed on the IMPBA website Races/Events tab and Master Schedule.

## Q. What Does a Sanction Mean?

A. **A Sanction** is the official authorization of an event. A Sanction tells prospective participants that your club and pond are insured and they are therefore protected as IMPBA members, and that you agree to abide by all IMPBA Rules and Regulations. Contest Directors running the event and the CD/Referee making the calls must have successfully completed the CD test and carry the CD designation on their card. Deviations from competition rules are allowed as long as they are clearly stated on the entry form or site. It ensures participants that the rules will be impartially enforced, and guarantees the results of the event will be recognized as official.

## Q. Who Approves a Sanction?

A. **The Director** for the district in which the contest is being held is responsible for approving sanction requests. This allows the Director to coordinate events within the district to avoid overlap that would affect attendance at your event or an event elsewhere in the district. When you submit your form directly to the IMPBA office, if it is not already signed, the office will contact your Director to verify the dates were approved. If there is a conflict, your director will contact you to work with your club on a solution or alternate date.

## Q. How Many Times Can a Single-Event Fee Be Paid By Non-IMPBA Members?

A. **Multiple times.** IMPBA allows persons who have a paid membership to other boating organizations to pay a fee so that they are included as a covered party under our General Liability insurance. They may pay this fee as many times per year as they wish. The \$15 fee allows running in that event only. The other organization member must pay a separate \$15 fee for each IMPBA sanctioned race he/she wishes to attend. The Single-Event status is not available in lieu of a paid membership to a boating organization! To run on an IMPBA insured body of water you must be a paid IMPBA member, or a paid member of another organization who pays the Single-Event fee to run at an IMPBA sanctioned event. The Single-Event form and fee MUST be completed online (preferably at least one week prior to the event), clubs will not accept these fees at the race site.

# IMPBA RACE SANCTION APPLICATION

District \_\_\_\_\_

Use a separate sanction form for each race or record trial. Save and send as an attachment to: [secretary@impba.net](mailto:secretary@impba.net)

Fees must be in US funds payable to IMPBA.

Mail a check or money order to: IMPBA, PO Box 140571, Toledo, OH 43614

Event Date \_\_\_\_\_

Event:  Race \$20  Record Trial \$20 + \$100 deposit

*For Office Use Only*

Sanction # \_\_\_\_\_  
District Director Approval Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Record Director Approval Date \_\_\_\_\_

## RACE SANCTION

List all CLASSES below, or :  listed on attached flyer  listed on race entry site \_\_\_\_\_

List ALL rule deviations you are advertising:

## RECORD TRIAL SANCTION

Check all that apply:  1/16 mile Straightaway  1/3 mile Oval  1/4 mile Oval

- Record Trial Sanctions must be published prior to date of event. (*Rules SECTION E -PROCEDURES*)
- Lake survey, as outlined in Rule Book Section K-Technical Standards, must be on file with IMPBA OFFICE and/or RECORDS DIRECTOR .
- **Please check the date with appropriate District Director and the Records Director before submitting a sanction request** to ensure the timing equipment will be available. Office will verify DD and RD approval.
- **Submit a \$100.00 deposit on the timing equipment if shipping of equipment is required.** The equipment is to be shipped back to IMPBA Depot that it came from, the first working day after the Trial. The deposit will be returned, minus shipping charges.

**By typing name, title, and date, you acknowledge that the equipment must be sent back to the issuing Depot the first working day after event.** Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## PLEASE FILL OUT THIS SECTION FOR ALL SANCTION REQUESTS

Sponsoring Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Site Location (Name and Address- *be as specific as possible*): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of boats to make a class: \_\_\_\_\_ Pre-registration required? Yes  No  Registration Deadline \_\_\_\_\_

Race Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Open Water Date and Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Contest Director: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ IMPBA# \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Assistant CD (if any) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ IMPBA# \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Information (Example: Raffle? Food on site provided or for purchase? Special Trophies awarded?): \_\_\_\_\_

Send PayPal Invoice to email: \_\_\_\_\_

Check/Money Order # \_\_\_\_\_

**SAVE and SEND by email to:  
[secretary@impba.net](mailto:secretary@impba.net)**

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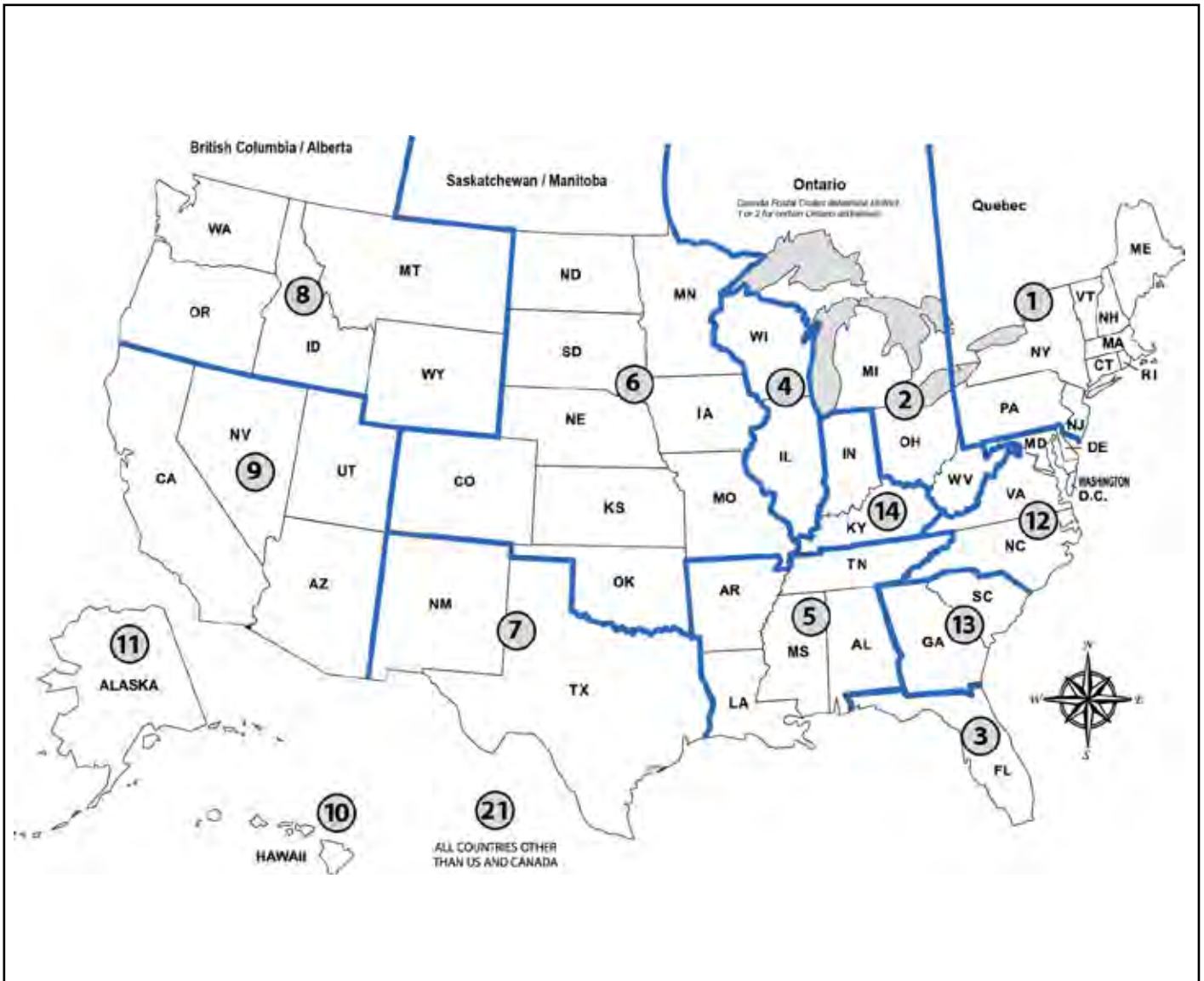
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