



New Members

Alanna Chapman—Alanna is from Oshawa and is Scott Toole's partner in crime. Joined with Scott to help support the club.

Bill Shorney—From Toronto, Bill is big into vintage race boats with his brother Rick. Bill is also a big time R/C boat and sail racer. He's also stepped up as the TORC rep at the THSC and making great articles for the newsletter!

Brian Venton Family:
From Bowmanville, Brian races F1 ChampBoat in the US and is helping get OPC going in Canada. His new family also joined to support the club, fiancé Carrie and kids Bailey and Joshua.

! LAST CALL !

This is your last newsletter if you are not a club member!
Don't delay!
Join TODAY!
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TORC / MOW Awards Dinner!

February 21, Toronto

When: February 21, **Starting:** 11:00 AM.

Cost: \$20 adults. \$10 for kids 12 and under

Cash Bar: YES!

Tickets: Jim Misener, 905-697-3158

Local Hotel: Days Inn, 416-694-1177, 0.7 km

Club House Location: www.thsc.ca

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Saturday 21 February at 12 noon the Annual TORC / MOW Awards Luncheon will be held at the Toronto Hydroplane & Sailing Club on Ashbridges Bay in Toronto Ontario.

It's located at the foot of Coxwell Ave and Lakeshore Blvd East and is easily accessed by the 401 and Don Valley Pkwy from the East and the Gardiner Expressway from the West.

Lots of free parking in the lot just past the driveway to the club house. Parking in the actual club house is limited.

It will be a great time! This is where the idea of TORC began over 55 years ago. Lots of memorabilia to look over. And no longer are we ushered out of a restaurant so more paying customers can come in and be seated. We'll be able to enjoy ourselves and remember the good times and rib about the racing next year! Rookies, don't be shy! Great time to connect with great people! Last year there was about 50 people there!

Doors open at 11 AM with coffee, tea and pop available and the bar opens at 12 noon with beer, coolers, wine and mixed drinks being served by our returning bartender Vera. Cash purchases only.

A hot lunch prepared by Lamanna's Fine Foods will begin around 1:30 pm and will include Chicken Parmesan, hot pasta dish, caesar and chef's salad, rosemary potatoes and a delightful selection of Italian pastries for desert, followed by the awards presentations.

Awards for TORC High Point Champion's will be handed out. Along with the TORC Specialty Awards: Larry Wills Memorial Award - Outstanding Performance and Sportsmanship. Norm Thinel Memorial Award - Best New Driver. We will also announce the criteria for the new Tom Heighington Memorial Award

Prizes/cash for the top 10-15 winners in the 2008 Meals on Wheels Charity Race Series will also be awarded.

During the day a selection of silent auction items will be displayed to bid on. Proceeds from this auction help TORC fund outboard racing activities, trade show promotions and events such as this one. If you have something to donate to this auction there is still room. Call Jim at 905 439 8640 or Andrew at 905 453 7290.

Winners of the auction bids will be announced following the awards ceremonies as well as the popular 50/50 draw that was won last year by Bill McKnight of Grimsby Ont.

We'll also play the 2008 APBA Nationals DVD quietly at the bar so all can catch some of the action of this great DVD you can now buy.

This is a family event and children of all ages are welcome to attend. It's a casual dress event. Guests welcome. Non Members welcome. Old timers welcome. Come join the fun, catch up with current and past racers, enjoy yourselves and help honour some of our clubs racers!

See you there! Jim Misener, TORC VP





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Speedweek on the Salton Sea

by Rick Fralick

The Salton Sea is on the southern California desert, about 50 miles south of Palm Springs, near to where Chris & I usually camp for part of the winter, very convenient for us to drop in for a few days and watch the Centurion Boats 2008 Salton Sea Speedweek on Dec 4-5-6.

The Salton Sea was formed in 1905 when the Colorado river berms collapsed and the water formed this lake which is 35 miles by 15 miles across. The speed trials were held in the very north end alongside the Chocolate Mountains. It is 227 feet below sea level and 1.3 times sea salt concentration. This means that air pressure is the highest in the North America and the water is extra buoyant, the best place for speed nuts. (The first records were set here in 1929) This was a combination effort between APBA/UIM and POPRA offshore group.

We were able to camp about a mile from the pits and were exactly in line with the south end traps, so it was a perfect place to get some pictures and see what was going on. We took a wander over to the timing transit and lo and behold we find Fred Hauenstein and Ernie Dawe holding down the fort and so had a few nice conversations with them over the weekend and I even became an official CBF observer for a short time.

Friday morning the wind was whipping up a bit, but things settled down before 2pm to get some serious runs in. There wasn't a large number of boats, I think they were hoping for a bigger turnout, but they managed to keep the water busy for the 3 days. The program started with a few nice SS flat bottoms, PC's and Cracker Boxes.

Loud and Proud, an SS driven by Tony Scarlatta pushed the speed record from around 118 mph to 125 mph setting a new record. The day ended with what looked like really smooth water when the only outboard hydroplane at the event took to the water, that being Bob Wartinger.

We talked to Bob later after his run and he reported that it was actually very lumpy and he had to abort a few of his runs as he lost his direction going into the traps when he hit some bumps. The water was actually 9 miles wide at this point, much more than it appeared to the eye. Bob was telling us that the boat wanders from one end of the traps to the other a great deal and you can't steer it in a kilo so you have to have the right direction going in or it is hopeless. He was after the UIM record using a

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View From the Sault

Greetings from Sault Ste. Marie. Just getting locked and loaded for winter up here. The TORC stockers need a report on the infamous Top of Michigan Marathon Nationals. The 60th annual event took place on the famed Indian River waterway on August 16 and 17. And yes....there was truth to the rumour that two southern Ontario boys answered the call and entered the event. After years of saying maybe, both Andrew and Graham Fralick said yes...let's give it a go.

To the unfamiliar, the race consists of two 40 plus mile heats over two days, on different courses. The course, which covers three Counties, includes big lakes (Mullet is 15 miles long), tight rivers and stump fields. It requires months of preparation, planning, driving, navigation and racing skill, determination and a healthy dose of endurance. Lots of ibuprofen helps too.

The course was a little unsettled this year, but the wind could have been much worse. The weather was beautiful...which adds pleasure boat wakes. The race was not without incidents, but thankfully we had no serious injuries this year.

Highlights included the Canadian Sault's Kim Park finally displacing Tim Ross from his throne in the C-class. Tim had won the race 11 years straight. Good job Kim...can you relax now? The A class was won by Stephen McCourtie, a name long associated with success in this sport. The B winner had an equally formidable last name in the Hot Rod realm...Chris Hagerl. A young Charlie Smith won the 25SS class. Joshua Pearson added another victory to his impressive resume in the mighty D class. He is tough to beat when his stuff holds together. Good helmet cam video on hydroracer too. The super-light tunnels ran well this year. Champions include Mike Green/Sally Johnson in Bandit, Tracey Phillips/Matt Cupps in Outlaw and Scott Lauer/Sarah Bek in the X-class. Bryan Lauer and Ken Honeysette tried to climb a tree in an outlaw performance inflatable. Yikes! J runabouts run a shortened course though the Indian River both days. It's a blast for them. Kyle Roskowski was victorious.



by Don Elliott

How did the fearless Fralick's do? Andrew made my 15CE Dixiecraft look good with a 4th and a 5th for a 6th overall. Nice job Andrew, in a class which rebounded to 17 boats this year. Brother Graham put on a gutsy effort in a good short

course boat he rigged himself. Graham finished both days with several boats behind him. You will have to complete this race to appreciate what an accomplishment that was. Put him in a purpose built marathon rig and he'll be in there with the leaders. My

son Dan tackled this class for the second time in his 24CE Dixiecraft. He finished 5th behind Andrew on Saturday. A strong run on Sunday ended on a pleasure boat wake in Crooked Lake... upside down. He's 15 miles from the finish line, on a trailer waiting for me at Ryde Marina, and a

spectator asks him "How did you do today?" He resisted the urge to say "Oh...I think I won, but I just can't find the finish line!" Now that's character. He finished eighth overall.

Got time for another Todd Veum (2002 DSR champ) story? He blew out the

chine in Mullet Lake on Saturday, and the resulting water pressure blew out the starboard deck at the transom. He made it 3 miles up the Cheboygan River with a rather spectacular geyser beside him....got to within 50 feet of a friend's dock when he lost plane and the boat turned turtle. Get'em next year Todd.

Thanks to the Fairbairns, Pearsons, Hagerls and the rest of the gang in the Top of Michigan Marathon Outboard Racing Club for organizing this. They need in excess of 20 permits and letters of permission. Thanks for keeping the tradition going. You can buy

excellent DVD's of the 2006, 07, 08 races from McGinnis Video. E-mail race@mcvideo.com. They are only \$25 each. My bet is the Fralick boys will be back....once you catch the Top'O virus, there is no known cure.

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Tunnel Talk

This issue we decided to talk to one of Canada's youngest and hottest teams in Tunnel Boat Racing, Orchard Racing, and what it's been like to move to OPC from Outboard. Here is their story from father Eric Orchard:

The last year we were doing Outboard Racing I was competing in C Stock Runabout, C Modified Runabout and Dan was doing A Stock Hydro and A Stock Runabout. We were unloading three boats and four engines along with applicable boat dollies. For Waterford we took a second trip both ways to drop off a fourth boat. It was a lot of fun but also a ton of work each racing weekend. The boat racing and the racing family friendships were what made it all worth while. On the way home we would talk for hours about all that had happened during the weekend event. What we loved was how each weekend just unfolded like an unscripted play! Outcomes unknown, new rivalries developed, spills, thrills and victories! We felt for the other racers as they did battle on the water.

We both felt we were spreading ourselves to thin and not concentrating enough on one class or endeavour? Daniel wanted to step up to a new challenge (and of course go FASTER) and his logical move would have been to OSY 400 or C Stock Hydro. We would have been loading his boat up with a lot of lead for C? I think I started to look inboard hydro for the safety factor and additional steps to follow? Truck driving was another issue. We slowly realized that our geographical location made it easier for us to go over the border to Michigan or New York, than crossing Toronto after work, on a Friday or Sunday night? We looked at the dollars and cents and thought we could field one class of OPC or Inboard Hydro for about the same cost of running four classes of stock / modified? Then we worried about the technical aspects of changing classes? We had been so fortunate to have had racers such as John Knox, Rick Fralick, Graham and Andrew Fralick, Ron France, John and Ross Webster, Charlie Miller, Tom Johnston....etc. (just to mention a few) to help mold our boat racing minds. Would we get

lost in the OPC challenge without our helpers or had they given us enough to carry on?

Now who was going to be the driver? This wasn't to difficult to figure out. I was doing o.k. and staying competitive but Dan was improving each year if not each race. I would probably hold my own but not progress much further? Dan was much more motivated and less distracted by other events of life. I felt that I could appreciate success by trying to improve the new race boat, engine, wheel(s) and maintain a set of testing and race result records that could lead to additional success? I had watched John Knox successfully work within these parameters for years while supporting winners Heather and Scott.

"... we worried about the technical aspects of changing classes..."



We still hadn't made up our minds totally while we researched various boats and engines that were for sale. We looked very seriously at a few outfits but things didn't totally click until we

heard about Jay and Jim Fox's SST45 Pugh. We drove to Bay City Michigan and that was it. Everything felt right and fit into place! Best of all we knew the Fox's from Stock Outboard racing in the past and trusted them.

"... we had to get use to time demands, huge crowds, interviews and autographs..."

Oh ya, Dan had also talked me into the idea that I wouldn't have to lift motors up and down from the basement? Ya-right! Now we have four power heads that we carry up and down (also two tower housing and two gear feet). We test two engines every weekend and many times change engines three times, if not four in some squirrely situations? At least I get to launch the boat off a trailer or have it craned in.

The OPC drivers and teams have been totally welcoming and have helped us celebrate our success, even being Canadians, EH! The funny things that we have had to get use to, are the time demands, huge crowds, interviews and Dan signing autographs. Fred Miller runs the SST45 class and if we are to be on the water at 9:30 am then we better be at the ramp for 9:15 am or else!!! Fred is a long time stock outboarder and Hall of Champion in his own right!

For the future? SST45 for 2009 with a run at SST120 in the future? Dan of course would like this to be 2010 but we will see what the North

by Scott Toole



Tunnel Talk

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American financial situation is like? The move from SST45 to SST120 is a four times budget increase. We have heard that a bad 120 race weekend can cost \$5,000.00? Another racer told us that if you changed from F1 ChampBoat to D Stock Hydro, you could leave your D Hydro boat and engine on the beach at the end of the weekend and buy a new full rig for the next race weekend and be on the same financial plan? Ouch! Our move from 45 to 120 or in future ChampBoat will be carefully thought out.

Dan Orchard – Career High Lights

- 2008 – Pro Tunnel Tour Formula 3 Champ World Championships—3rd
- 2007 – Pro Tunnel Tour Formula 3 Champ Nrth American Championships 2nd World Championships—2nd
- 2006 – Pro Tunnel Tour Formula 3 – 10th World Championships—13th
- 2005 – CBF – ASH High Point Champ
- 2004 – CBF – 2nd ASH, 3rd ASR Overall
- 2003 – CBF – ASH H.P. Champ, 2nd ASR
- 2002 – CBF – 5th ASH, ASR High Point Champ
- 2001 – CBF – JSH High Point Champion

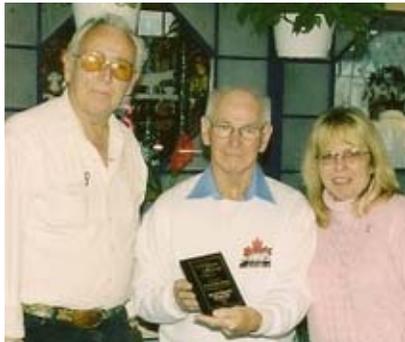


Other note of Interest: Graduated from Central Secondary High school in 07 and he's currently enrolled at Georgian College in Marine Engine Mechanics.

Chris Wrong Has Left Us Nov 30 in Hospital

Christopher Murray Wrong, a strong supporter of outboard racing going back decades, passed away 30 Nov at Markham Stouffville Hospital of pneumonia less than a year after being diagnosed with cancer. He was 71.

In the photo is Chris, his wife Marie, and John Webster center presenting both of them with Life Time Memberships to the Toronto Outboard Racing Club in 2007.



Although the family requested that the racing community be notified, at the time the message got lost on the way. Christmas greetings sent to the Wrongs lately had the family respond with the news.

If you ever received a photo of yourself at the races along with your TORC newsletter it probably was taken by the Wrongs. The CBF website is full of their photography skills as is the photo gallery on the TORC site. In fact just last week over a thousand of Chris's CD files were sent to the new CBF Promotions Director & webmaster, Pierre Foucher, who is re-designing the site.

Anyone who raced Waterford from its inception until '07 will remember them inside turn one in their speedboat taking photos and responding to rescues along with the CBF boat. Never would they take a dollar for their photography from the racers. They enjoyed helping and enjoyed racing.

Chris's son Steve raced Formula V boats in the 80's and the racing bug had stuck with them.

Chris a former rodeo rider and later photographer of the sport took his skills and together with Marie operated Stop Action Photography as well as a tackle business Mustang Leather Ranch. Hey, that's what Chris did when he wasn't at his full time job with a power company.

He is sadly missed, and gratefully remembered for all his dedication to the sport.

Next Issue

DEADLINE: March 21
 TORC / MOW Awards Dinner
 APBA Convention Report
 Swap Meet Preview
 Boat Pit Cart Plans?

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No plan of racing Thinking of racing Current racer

Would you be interested in participating in one of the following areas?

- Show Displays Swag Sales Towing Announcing
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Do you have a pleasure boat that could be utilized at a race? Yes

TORC Membership Director

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Vintage Viewpoint

by Bill Shorney

This is a new column dealing with a subject dear to my heart—Vintage Hydroplanes. Those of us who follow this have seen a large increase in popularity with vintage hydroplanes in the APBA. They have a section devoted to these boats. It is my belief that we here in Canada can also promote and build interest in the preservation of these boats. Not only can we restore them but we can also run them and demonstrate what things were like in “the old days”

All of us know of vintage boats that are hanging in garages or boat houses just itching to get back into the water. It is my intent in this column to report on activities surrounding this subject and to bring you the reader up to date on the Vintage scene. My thanks to Andrew for giving me this opportunity.

To start with the Toronto International Boat Show and the Antique and Classic Boat Society asked my brother and I to display in this years booth. The reaction has been tremendous. I have met and swapped lies with many and the amount of equipment out there would amaze you. The organizers of Rideau Ferry race want Vintage boats to do fly bys at there event this year and we will also be at Gravenhurst. Andrew would like a display at the Waterford meet as well and there are some other events in the works too.

Is your “good old baby” ready to experience some excitement again? Lets hear from you senior racers and get something going here—there is a wealth of experience out there and it

should be shared with all of us. At the Boat Show the biggest comment was “are people still interested in these boats”? I met a gentleman who has an old hydro, 2 vintage Mercs and 2 Konigs which he hasn’t touched in years (forget it I am not telling where the Konigs are and no they don’t belong to Brian Hendrick—YET!) Any info you would like to share for this column would be appreciated—just email bill@vintagespeedboats.ca.



Lastly I will report any good rumours at the end of each publication and promise they will only have to do with boats, motors and equipment. In this light it is reported that Wayne Trotter may be looking to change his kneeling position in a boat to one of a seating position—more on this as it unfolds.

Lets try to get Vintage Boats and their activities to form a larger part of TORC and thereby increase our awareness of the history of our sport and increase our membership numbers. Wishing you soft water—real soon—Bill.

TORC High Points

AXSH	
1. E Overbury	1400
2. Ryley Dutton	525
3. Mike Werner Jr	400
ASH	
1. Andrew Fralick	2200
2. Emily Overbury	1583
3. Jesse Loukes	1000
ASR	
1. Andrew Fralick	2369
2. Graham Fralick	1557
3. M Krzyanowski	1146
BSH	
1. Michael Rorke	825
2. Graham Fralick	800
CSH	
1. Scott Knox	1800
2. Brant Latter	1594
3. Eric Armstrong	1315
DSH	
1. Bill Keegan	1800
2. Jesse Loukes	1000
3. Spencer Utman	765
20SSH	
1. Ross Webster	3100
2. James Armstrong	1425
3. Spencer Utman	1248
25SSH	
1. Rick Fralick	1375
2. Jesse Loukes	1100
3. Mark Taylor	976
DMH	
1. Dave Scott	700
2. Bill Keegan	625
OSY400	
1. Mike Locke	1169
2. Wayne Latter	1088
3. Brant Latter	1014



TORC Meeting Minutes January 10

Edited and abbreviated to fit newsletter
9 Members, 5 Regrets, 0 Guests

Called to Order – John Webster – 9:13 a.m.

Commodore Report: Added agenda topic

Vice Commodore Report: On Holidays

Treasurers Report: On Holidays

Secretary Report: No News

Membership Report: On Holidays

Promotion Report: Motorsports Expo, Jan 16-18. TORC will have a 10x20 booth which will display a runabout, hydro and Yamato engine. Second booth will have F1 OPC boat on display. Power for booths paid for by a few OPC drivers (Don, Dan, Scott and Brian) and TORC member (Graham). TORC has paid for insurance for booth and bought APBA Nationals DVD to play throughout Expo.

Boat Show (Jan 10-18). ACBS booth handing out TORC promotions to those interested in the current racing side of things.

Newsletter Report: Newsletter currently 78% digital readership, TORC paying for remaining newsletters postage. Next issue to be sent out in late January.

Amend from last meeting. Originally Andrew was to be paid for his Newsletter services with all advertising revenue. Andrew has asked for that to be changed to just 50% of revenue. Executive Passed amendment.

Statistician Report: No points finalized at this point. Will be ready for TORC dinner.

Unfinished Business:

Heighington Trophy – Current trophy funds to be divided between trophy and keepers. Final trophy guide lines to be presented at the TORC

dinner.

Correspondence Received:

Received membership request from APBA, members approved joining.

Thank you card received from Lanark County, regarding our recent donation to Meals on Wheels.

Received bill for APBA DVD.

Outboard Report: John Webster Both organizations still sitting on the fence about the new Sidewinder Engine. Having trouble fitting in into both ASH and 15SSH.

OPC Report: Scott Toole Tentative race schedule received from Lise. Two races with a possible 8 boats. US clubs having a hard time working with each other, so schedules are all over the place.

Unfinished Business:

Heighington Trophy: Final agreements need to be made and approved, discussion with Heighington family necessary)

Waterford, ON: T-shirt design and purchase, Band for Saturday night to be contacted.

New Business:

CME booth being covered by several members. (Read specifics elsewhere in newsletter).

Glen Stevenson attending APBA convention in Raleigh, NC.

TORC to join CBF and APBA, motioned by Andrew Fralick, second Scott Toole.

TORC Dinner: Jim Misener currently making all necessary arrangements. Items needed for Silent Auction.

Club Awards:

by Heather Knox

Norm Thinel (Best New Driver)
Nominees – Ryley Dutton, Dan Elliott, Jordan Elliott, Blair Kants, Brant Latter, Wayne Latter, Mike Locke, Randy Rapedius, Wayne Trotter, Wesley Trotter, Scott Toole.



Larry Wills (Outstanding Sportsmanship and Performance)

Nominees—James Armstrong, Brant Latter, Ross Webster, Bill Keegan.

Winners to be announced at TORC Dinner
Nomination ballots destroyed and winners accepted by members

Race Schedule:

Waterford, ON. Date has been moved to May 30/31 to spark interest from down south. Park has approved new date. Date so far open to OPC static display. Possibility of displays for both OPC and Vintage. Andrew thinks that 'eye candy' might help in creating new interest in the sport. Andrew looking into t-shirts similar to last years, with a few new changes. If still available, interest in asking Dave Greer and 'Bolt Upright' to play on Saturday night. John Lawrence to be contacted in hopes of having him drum up interest and getting the word out.

Dunnville, ON. Mike Werner still busy planning, no new updates as of now.

Rideau Ferry, ON. Vintage race, with an expressed interest in having an OPC display. Scott Toole will keep in touch with Lise and Andrew/TORC.

Long Sault, ON. No date has been confirmed by Lise/CBF as of yet.

Motion to adjourn: Passed: 11:23 a.m.

Rescue Boat Update

Bert at Converta Boat Intl called in Jan to inform us that the new travel cover for our new rescue boat is almost complete.

I will be picking up our new float trailer within days, weather permitting, and bring it to my shop in Bowmanville where we can switch the Mercury over from our old boat which is in my garage at the moment.

Once that is done we need a volunteer to tow it to Dave Scott's shop in Ottawa for the tilt repairs and motor maintenance, hopefully in good travel weather if possible. We want to keep salt damage to it down to a minimum.

All controls are now mounted and positioned for our motor, as well as a new bimini top and 2 swivel seats with backs installed courtesy of our friends at Proctor Marine in Simcoe Ontario.

Our projected budget for this project back in

November has proven very accurate and we currently have \$740. left of the members pledges on the CBF discussion board, with \$340. collected and \$400. outstanding still to come in. The budget calls for \$600. in parts and hydraulic repairs leaving us short if the remaining pledges don't come in soon.

If you have forgotten to send in your pledge please mail it as soon as possible as we're entering the last phase now.

As before make cheque payable to Andrew Fralick and send to 17 Ness Road, Brampton Ontario, L6Y 5N6

Thank you to everyone who supported this important

by Jim Misener, CBF-SORC Secretary

initiative with funding, time, products and advice. Boat racing in this region just got a lot safer because of you.





As the prop turns...

by Andrew Fralick

Word is famed Canadian boat builder Rob Dixon was spotted picking up a shipment of materials for a new boat or two for the Keegan ranks! Watch out DSH and DMH... looks like they are hunting for even more speed!

Speaking of Keegan, the spirits say he's cutting back to 2 classes. He's buying a new "Toy Hauler" trailer that is a camper in the front and boat storage in the back! Sounds cool!



Also heard that club member Steve Noury of New Hampshire was a good boy last year! He was worried at first as he didn't get anything racing related under his tree this Christmas but once he got to the garage he realized Santa couldn't fit his new CSH Bezoat through the chimney! Watch out for him this summer.

While on the topic of Bezoats... Scott Knox's new Bezoat CSH should finally have some numbers and varnish on it. If not, Heather, you should scoop it up! Haha.

Mike Locke is hoping to get a new CSH to go with his new Yamato 302. This would add to his 2OSSH package, and sounds like he's keeping his eyes out for a B&H hull.

Been told that Ron France is working over time this winter fine tuning his lay down ASH. He's built a wind tunnel for a scale model, play-doh scale driver, various windshields and is getting the drag down to a minimum. Good luck in your quest Ron!! We're all cheering for you!

Spencer Utman is back in Brockville has also been working hard on boats. Almost ready to start his teaching career he's started building boats in his spare time. Composite vacuum bagged molded boats and wood boats. He'll have pics out too us soon. He's taking more orders so if you're interested give him a shout. 613.345.3949 Or email stu_racer@hotmail.com. He's also lined up a new racer for the area from Geneva NY. Geoff Linkner will be new in CSH after racing 5L in-board in the past. He hopes to bring

a buddy with him to the class and also his nephew to a smaller class.

Sorry ran out of space this issue... hope to have the boat cart plans in the next issue.

The CBF released a new website a week or two ago. Check it out at www.cbfn.ca With loads of pictures and video for all categories and points listed for all the races in 2008 it's got all the info you need. I hope the points continue into the racing season!

My brother Graham and I hit the Toronto International Boat Show after the last TORC meeting. It was packed with people. You'd never guess there was any economy issues in there.

On our tour of the TIBS we spotted Dan Orchard. He was putting in some hours at the Georgian College Marine Mechanics booth, a school which he is attending. When we caught up with him he was trying to figure out why the crank would not turn in the motor he just put together. OOPS! His instructor let him sweat it out a bit then came and told him it was slightly bent before they gave it to him and would never turn over, much to Dan's relief!

Next we bumped into the Float Trailer booth. These are the awesome guys who gave CBF an AMAZING deal on a new rescue boat. We owe them BIG! We crawled all over the models on site and they look great! There will be a line up to put the time in this thing! Hopefully it's not needed very often though.

On the way out we came across Bill and Rick Shorney in a vintage racing boat display by the ACBS. Bill Austin A/B runabout looked almost new! We offered him to try our OMC on it at race and he might take us up on it! Rick's seemingly all original 1930's (I believe) step hydro was really cool too! The whole setup turned a lot of heads and attracted a lot of attention. They pumped up current racing activities to those that brought up the topic.

That was it for the show for us and about it for this issue! One last thing is I ran out of space to include the plans for the Outboard Pit Cart. Hopefully next issue!

See you at the TORC / MOW Awards Luncheon!



Want a COOL 2009 Calendar? This one is awesome! The calendar is professional printed in 11"x17" format and features almost 30 colour pictures from all CBF Divisions during the 2008 season.

The quantities are limited. They are available from the CBF Head Office or online through HydroplaneQuebec.com. Andrew Fralick will also have a limited number of them at the TORC / MOW Awards Banquet or notify him prior to arrange getting one within the GTA.

The cost is \$15 plus a shipping fee if required.

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2008 was a good racing season for the Inboard division with great battles for the titles and good boat counts. What to expect for the upcoming 2009 season? A better one!!!

Most classes are growing with new boats being built or bought.

The 2.5 litre class will probably be the one growing the most and the competition will be very tight. Nicolas Rousse teams up with his father Denis to make his debut in a brand new hydroplane. Nicolas finally follows in his father's footsteps after a great motocross career.

Dominic Billette will also be one of the new drivers in the class. In 2008, Dominic was impressive driving Patrick Haworth's 5 litre for a weekend to pass his restrictions. The new driver from Les Cèdres, Qc started building his own designed hull last year and will be ready to get it wet when the season begins. At least 3 other new hulls will be on the circuit for 2009. Tommy Bergeron who shared the driving of the CS-007 with his sister is building his own hull leaving the other boat to Geneviève and another sister. After a season in the 1.5 litre class, the 2007 Rookie of the Year David Mérivier will be back in the class with a brand new hull. Thomas Diabo will be a bigger threat in 2009 with a brand new Henderson hull too. There is also another hull being built in Valleyfield by a 5 litre team but it's kind of a secret one.

The 5 litre class will see a lot of action too. Jean-Pierre Morin and Sylvain Maheu bought Eric Labelle's Do-it at the end of the season, Richard Haineault and his partner Jean-François Lupien (CE-17) wanting both to drive full time each bought their own Bergeron boat. Haineault bought the E-39 from a New-Jersey driver and Lupien took possession of Marc Lecompte CE-104 at the end of the season. Marc Lecompte is building a brand new 5 litre hull. Ghyslain Marcoux will have a brand new 5 litre from Bergeron hydroplane. Marcoux passed his restriction in Long Sault last September driving his partner Marc Theoret's 2.5 litre. Not sure yet what are Patrick Haworth's plans in the 5 litre class and Jean-François Latour's CE-7 is for sale

The Grand Prix class should bring at least 2 new teams. Dan Kanfoush and Jim Seckler are the team that was awarded the ACHA's brand new hull. This team who won everything in the 1 litre mod class in the last few years are known to have very reliable engine. Will they be able to do the same with the Big Block Blown Chevy? The other team is veteran driver Mike Weber who teamed up with friend Dean Rojas to buy Pierre Maheu's former GP-46 Balcer hull. Weber will be back in a hull he was the first

to drive in 1994. Rumours are that Norm Philips from the Toronto area could be back in 2009. He was in Long Sault and at the CBF convention and it really seems he is interested in getting back into GP.



The 1.5 litre class boat count should increase as well. Mike Wells will have a new Henderson hull as he sold his boat to Mathieu Lemelin in Long Sault last September. Jean-Sébastien Boyer and Marc-Andre Voyer will join the fleet as rookie drivers along with Alain Primeau who is still negotiating for a boat. Alexis Weber could make more Canadian races as she'll follow her father Mike to some GP races. David Metivier who ran in the class last year will step up in the 2.5 litre class in a new boat and his 1.5 hull is still for sale. Kevin Smith from Peabody, Mass bought a good Henderson hull and Kelly Shane should be back for some races if the boat is repaired from a road accident they had last August. All this could get the class up to a good 8 to 10 boat field on a regular basis.

Hope to get news from the Pro Stock class in the next issue.

It seems 2009 will provide fierce competitions. Also for the next issue: Who are the team and battles to watch in the different classes.

Web Pick

This month's internet pick is the Inboard Hydroplane website.

www.inboardhydroplanes.com

This site is a great tool for the new racer or spectator. Much of the information translates to all categories of racing. Lots of detailed content on how racing works, how races are run, safety gear, the hulls and terms used. Plus race site locations, tips for watching races and links to all of the various racing organizations. A wealth of knowledge someone put a lot of work into and should be "must read" info for anyone new to the sport. And all the other categories should take notes and use this as a model.



Speedweek on the Salton Sea

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peculiar Sorensen lay down boat with sponsors hidden underneath. Bob is a real gentleman and loved to give us all the details. I had a nice chat with him at Dunnville, last time we raced Stocks there and invited him back for our '09 race if it should happen. Darrel Sorenson was there as Bob's pit crew. Bob used a real blunt UIM/OSY 400 type foot. His speeds were 69 something, but not enough to create a new record.

Saturday the offshore boats were out including the cat boat of Bob Teague #77 the AMSOIL boat that set a new record at about 131 mph. They seemed to have unlimited resources and made dozens of runs, bumping the record about .5 mph each time.

It was good fun and lots of people turned out to watch. Talk was for another try next year.

Here are the A.P.B.A./ U.I.M. Records:

- Super Stock: #80 "Wild Child"
Driver: Dave Bryant, Mesa, AZ
Speed: 125.507 mph
- Cracker Box: #P-66, "Mr. Magoo"
Driver: Dwight Moody Jr. / Bob Overcash
Speed: 107.294 mph

- Comp Jet: # 313
Owner/Driver: Harold Bruce
Speed: 98.493 mph

Here are the P.O.P.R.A. Records:

- Class: Cat Lite, # 77, Team AMOIL
Bob Teague / Paul Whittier
Speed: 131.981 MPH
- Sportsman Twin Vee Supercharged
Team Extreme - Justin Jones / Dave Trauffer
Speed: 88.608 MPH
- Sportsman Performance 1
Boat # 16, Troy Juve / George Cortez
Speed: 120.414 MPH
- Sportsman Twin Vee Nat. Asp.
Team AVR - Dave Kutscher / Todd Peterson
Speed: 104.122 MPH
- Sportsman Single Diesel
Team Skunk Works
Speed: 44.204 MPH
- Sportsman 24' Cat Single Supercharged
Thaddeus Findley jr. / Cayle Carter
Speed: 109.950 MPH
- Sportsman 28' Cat Twin Supercharged
Team Eliminator - Tony Charimante
Speed: 143.829 MPH

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The show was great! Thanks to all that helped. Glen & Rob Stevenson, Scott Toole, Ted Gryguc, Graham & Andrew Fralick, Bill McKnight, Dan Orchard, John and Ross Webster, Mike Locke and his buddy Jamie, the Rescue boat driver from Quebec (forgot name), Don Whittington, Art Smith, Christian Bergeron, Pierre Foucher, Brain Venton, who'd I miss? Friday was pretty quiet. On Saturday Glen Stevenson, CBF President, gave a great presentation on getting into the various forms of boat racing and the safety gear involved and the sports general operation and costs. Also Canadian auto racing greats Ron Fellows and Jacques Villeneuve were on stage talking and signing autographs.

Weather played a factor on Sunday with three of our guys not being able to make it including drivers to be interviewed... the CME and boat racers worked together and made a great performance... Scott Toole and Graham Fralick were interviewed along side bike, drag, open wheel and sedan racers for a who's who of amateur racing in Canada from all disciplines. It was a great mix of motorsports with questions comparing each of them and then an autograph signing session. In the afternoon Andrew Fralick was interviewed with his ASH by MixTV, a Toronto Russian language news show aired on CityTV. Scott Toole may also have been interviewed.

Pictures of the boats made it into the Sun newspaper and Inside Track magazine, and on the front page of the CME website, and I'm sure other places over the next month.

Show attendance was WAY up from last year with mobs of people there on Saturday and Sunday. This event will grow again I'm sure in 2010. Show

promoter Glenn Butt was very pleased with TORC's display and efforts and hopes to see us there next year.



I think of all shows I've work at this show had the highest number of current boat racer attend... I bumped into people from inboard, flat bottoms, OPC, vintage and outboards. I heard a some performance boaters showed up to say Hi too. We signed up a new member and sold a few calendars for Hydroplane Quebec.

Wouldn't it be cool to have a new package for sale next year!! A person could walk out with the package after putting \$7500 (or so) on their



credit card through PayPal instantly online. Plus there was the fun of wandering through all the booth of racing goodies. I spent some money and I know others did. I think 4-5 boat

racers bought waterproof video camera setups for in their boats! (inboard and OPC guys, didn't notice an outboarder buying one...) Watch for some cool footage as the season unfolds. Hope to see you there next year!



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Driver Profile

By Heather Knox

Name: Graham Fralick
Age: 32
Hometown: Milton, ON
Category: Stock Outboard

Race Team Name: The Headhunter
Boat Number: 18 (ASH) Toxic Waste
(ASR) Hazardous Waste
Years Racing: 19?

Q: How did you get into boat racing?

A: Pops was racing before I was born.

Q: What classes do you race currently?

A: ASR, BCH, ASH & what ever else I get told! :)

Q: Have you raced anything outside of boats?

A: I have been crew for my brother (Andrew) in SuperMoto racing and Inboard Racing.

Q: Who do you look up to in boat racing?

A: The Legend, John Webster.

Q: What music are you listening to lately?

A: Alternative mostly. NIN, Offspring, throw in some CCR, Neil Young and Buddy Holly.

Q: What is your most memorable racing moment?

A: Grasslake, Michigan - ASH Consi. Three laps deck to deck racing against my dad (Rick), I beat him by a boat length. So much fun...

Q: What is one of the lows you've had in racing?

A: Passed John Webster in Waterville, Ohio on the Last lap ASH, then ran out of gas before the finish!

Q: Who do you want to throw out a "Hi!" to?

A: Hi Mom! Thanks to Fralick Boats, Hydroplane Junkie & Gin for allowing me to leave weekends.

Q: If you could pick a driver to dive into the first turn with who would it be?

A: Glen Stevenson, always fair, always fun...The good old days.

Q: What race site is on your must attend list?

A: Waterford, ON - Love the tri-oval, Love the party

Q: What are your other hobbies?

A: Photography, Mountain biking, Motorcycling,

Q: What's your day job?

A: Defective Returns Analyst – Best Buy Canada.

Q: Your engine burns a piston.... Are you the wrench or the wallet?

A: Wrench, and sometimes wallet.

Q: If you could improve something in racing, what would it be?

A: Less classes and more boats in each class. Electronic Scoring.

Q: You finish a long day of racing, what do you grab to drink?

A: Hopefully a Crown Royal on the rocks.

Q: What do you enjoy most, aside from the racing?

A: The People. Best people I have met are racers.

Q: You recently ran the Indian River Marathon?

A: It was completely thrilling, yet the hardest thing I have done in racing. I set out with pretty low goals. To finish both days, as many don't finish both days. It was completely amazing, the feeling of buzzing down the narrow river sections with spectators all over the place, some you swear you could reach out and touch as you flew by. Pretty novel experience that I would certainly do again. The satisfaction of finishing both days gives you a nice permisimile that you normally get after are hard fought win in Closed Course racing.

Q: What's the one thing in racing you haven't gotten a chance to do yet, but would love to do?

A: As with most racers, I would love to win a US Nationals. Not something I plan on in the short term as I haven't really been going unless they are in the local area, but someday. Other than that, Super Light Tunnel's (SLT) look like they would be a lot of fun to try at some point.

The Swamp

For Sale - Webstercraft "A" Stock Hydroplane, used \$1000. Webstercraft "B" Stock Hydroplane and Webstercraft 20 Super Stock Hydroplane, call for info. Mercury 20H motor, call for info. Throttles, light weight cast side mount and other hardware available. John 416-438-9852

For Sale - Class "A" Runabout. #18, 2nd in CBF High Point 2008. All hardware and fuel tank included. Graham gfralick@cogeco.ca 416-882-7712

For Sale - G-Force Inboard/OPC driver suit. Size Medium, Colour Black. Fire rated. Used 4 races, like new! \$50. Andrew riverratt04@hotmail.com 905-453-7290

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For Sale - Yamato 80 motor, very good condition. Needs nothing to go racing. \$1400. Tony Halsey, 905-352-3444 tonalisa@eagle.ca

For Sale - Yamato 102 motor with mid section, needs lower unit. Complete in race condition. \$1000 Rob Brooks, 905-986-4980

Wanted - Safety Pants suitable for driver 6'-2", 190 lbs. Mike Locke, mikelocke77@hotmail.com

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Mar 14	TORC Meeting @ THSC Club House
Apr 4	Proctor Marine Open House - TORC Booth
Apr 11	TORC Meeting @ THSC Club House
May 9	Swap Meet @ Fralick Boats, BBQ & Pot Luck Dinner
May 16-17	Standish ME
May 23-24	Franklin PA
May 30-31	Waterford ON
June 6-7	Carleton Place ON
June 13-14	Augusta MI, Vermont
July 4-5	Pittsburgh PA (OPC)
July 11-12	Akron OH, Valleyfield QC (INB), Marietta OH (OPC)
July 15-19	Zanesville OH, Mod Natls, Trenton MI (OB OPC)
July 25-Aug1	Grass Lake MI, Stock Nationals
Aug 1-2	St. Louis, MO (OPC)
Aug 8-9	Marathon Natls, Indian River MI, Algonac MI (OPC INB)
Aug 15-16	Rideau Ferry ON (Vintage, OPC)
Aug 22-23	Dunnville ON (OB OPC)
Sept 5-6	Kankakee IL (OPC Natls)
Sept 12-13	Long Sault, ON
Sept 19-20	Crystal Lake NY



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