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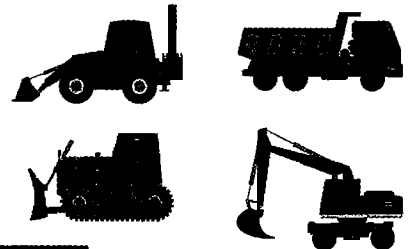
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2019 Wheeling Vintage Raceboat Regatta

Schedule of Events - All events take place at Heritage Port

August 30 - September 1, 2019

Friday, August 30

9AM - 5 PM Raceboat registration; Heritage Port pits open to the public

Saturday, August 31 and Sunday, September 1

8 AM Ohio River closed to through traffic; buoys placed and course set

9:45 AM Opening Ceremonies

Saturday: Blessing by Bob Gaudio

National Anthems by David Gaudio

Sunday: Amazing Grace and United States National Anthem by Marshall University Fife and Drum Corps.

10:00 AM - Noon Heats of vintage hydroplanes and raceboats on the Ohio River

Noon - 1:30 PM Ohio River opened to regular river traffic

Free autograph session with raceboat drivers

(free posters to the first 100 people)

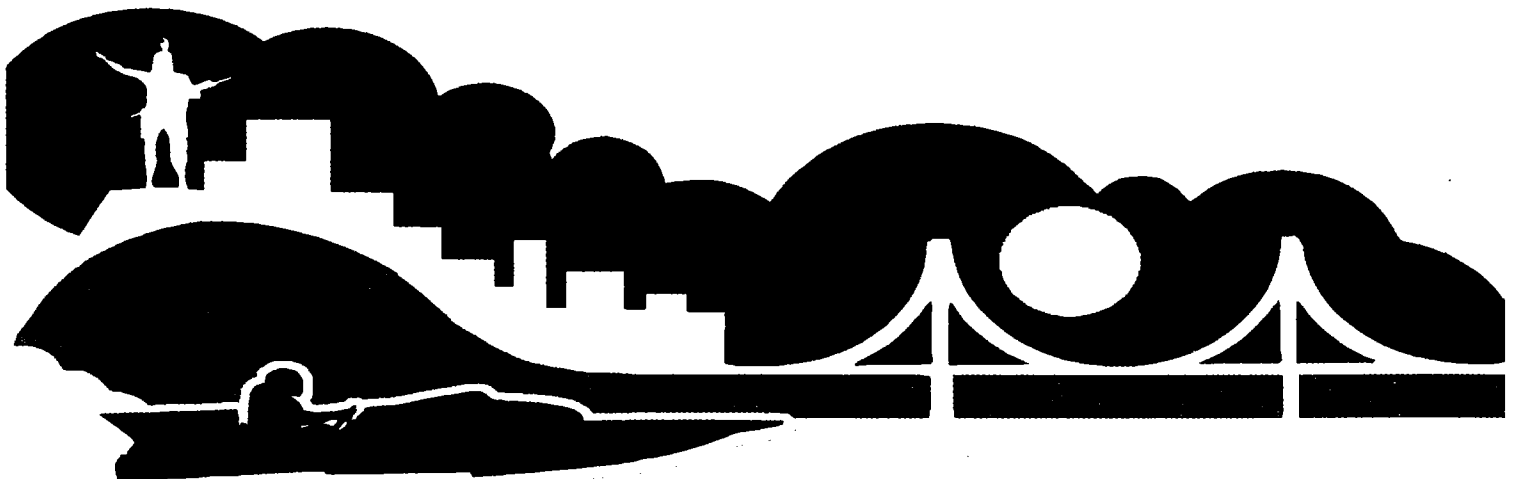
Free live music by Crossroads

Noon-5 PM Children's activities

1:30 PM River closed to through traffic; buoys placed and course set

2:00 PM - ? Heats of vintage hydroplanes and raceboats on the Ohio River

Times of vintage hydroplane events subject to change.



Wheeling Vintage Raceboat Regatta

We would like to offer our deepest appreciation to our sponsors. The Wheeling Vintage Raceboat Regatta has always featured free admission for all Regatta public activities and remains a nonprofit venture with proceeds going to the Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center in Wheeling. It is because of the generosity of the businesses and individuals listed below that we are able to bring a great event to the Ohio Valley and offer it at no cost to those who wish to join in the fun.

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The Wheeling Vintage Raceboat Regatta supports the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center. In 14 years, the Regatta has provided more than \$85,000 to help families afford life-changing services.

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Hi-Q

Owner: Bob "Pappy" Moore, Red Bank, NJ

Built by: Charles Lloyd 1956-57

Restoration by: Blide/Moore, 2000

Engine: 136 ci Ford V-8 (1937)

Hi-Q was purchased in 1961 from Frank Fugle, the original owner, by the current owner. He raced the boat throughout the 1960s in APBA Regions 3 and 4, and it has the original hull, engine and trailer from 1961.

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Scraps

Owner: Lisa Bruce, Cincinnati, OH

Built by: Tom Franken (Lisa's Dad), 1983

Engine: Stock Toyota 72 ci 4 cylinder

This boat is truly a family affair. The boat was built by Tom Franken. His daughter, Lisa Bruce, is a veteran hydroplane racer. Lisa's daughter and son, Jeannie and Dean Newman, also share the driving responsibilities.

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Pixie

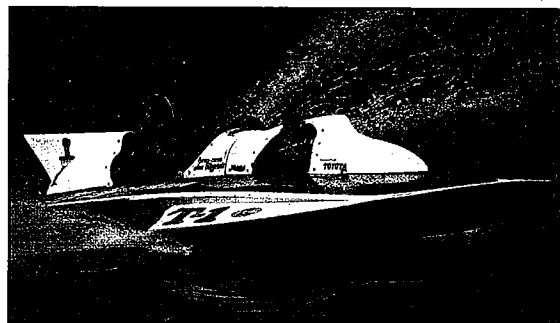
Owner: Wayne Butler, Sarasota, FL

Built by: Ron Jones, 1986

Engine: 2300 ci Ford

Pixie was one of the first composite hulls built by legendary boat builder Ron Jones of Seattle, WA. The current owner drove the boat for Richard "Dick" Moore of Clearwater, FL. Dick has passed away, but his son Rick will be attending the Wheeling Vintage Raceboat Regatta this year to see his dad's boat run for the first time in 30 years.

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Lil Leprechaun

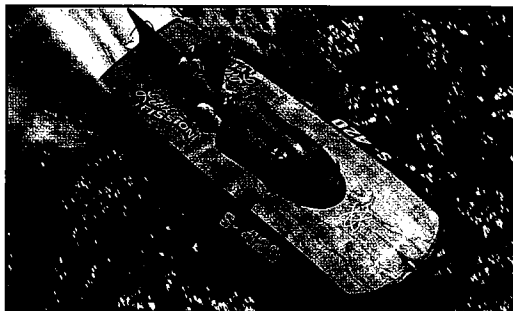
Owner: Dan and Debbie Joseph, Wheeling, WV

Built by: Henry Lauterbach, 1970

Engine: 1200 cc Toyota

This boat was driven by Ann Fitzgerald, the most successful woman hydroplane driver in history. She was the High Point Champion in Lil Leprechaun in 1975, 1977, and 1979.

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Little Fission

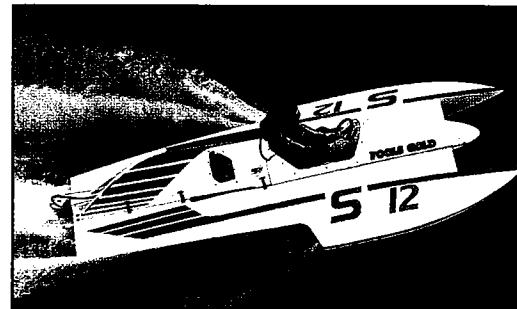
Owners: Brian and Julie Joseph, Wheeling, WV

Built by: Bob Catopovic, from Clark Craft plans, 1976

Engine: 2000 ci Ford Pinto

Little Fission was bought on eBay as a surprise birthday present for the current owners. It was only raced a few times. The boat was partially restored in 2007 by Larry Lauterbach.

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Fool's Gold

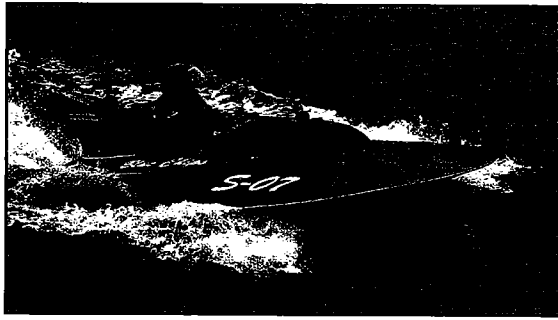
Owners: Mark Cravens, Bloomington, IN

Built by: Staudacher, 1980

Engine: 2000 ci Ford Pinto

Fool's Gold is a rare Staudacher "S" bottom hydroplane. It was restored by its owner.

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Blue Chips

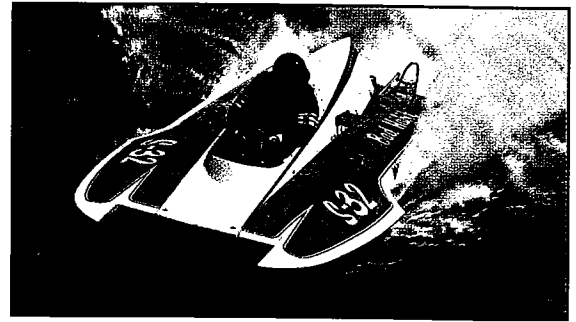
Owner: Jed Wolcott, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Built by: Harold Ruark, 1965

Engine: Ford Falcon 144 ci

Blue Chips was actively raced in the Northeast well into the 1980s by a number of owners, including Jack Sweeney. It won a National Championship in 1967 and holds several S-class speed records. The boat was restored by Tom D'Eath in 2005.

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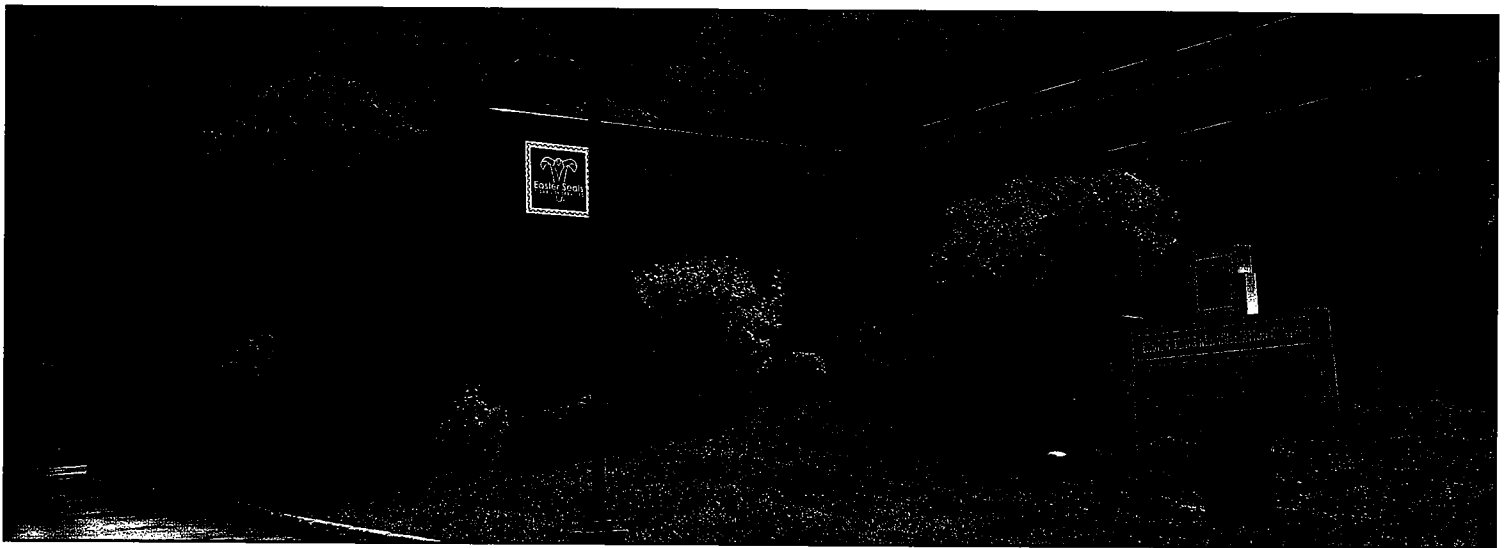
Bad Habit

Owner: Rick Beatty/Zach Wiley, Mason, OH

Built by: Jon Staudacher, 1976

Engine: 2.0 Ford Pinto

Bad Habit previously raced as *The Jazz Man* and *Excedrin #105*. Former owners of the boat include Jeff Dunn, Hank Kosciuzko, Jack Felhauer, and Joe Schulte.



You're not just helping in Wheeling

Proceeds from the Wheeling Vintage Raceboat Regatta - more than \$85,000, to date - help hundreds of children throughout West Virginia and Ohio. Services are provided primarily at the Edouard S. Ziegler Easter Seal Rehabilitation Center in Wheeling, shown above. But the area served is much wider. Chances are that if you live in the Ohio Valley, there's an Easter Seals center or office nearby.

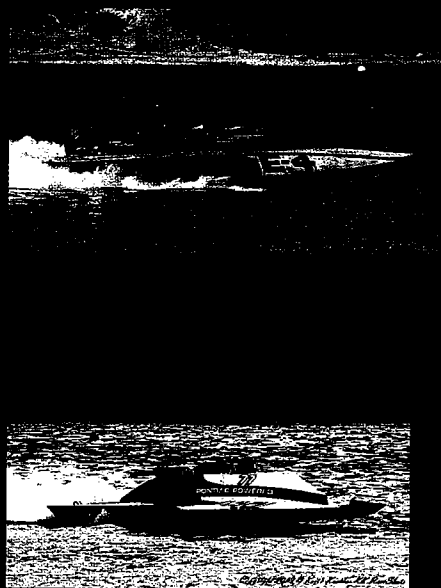
The Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center primary service area includes Ohio, Marshall, Wetzel, Tyler, Brooke and Hancock counties in West Virginia and Belmont, Monroe, Jefferson, Harrison and Washington counties in Ohio. Our team in Parkersburg provides West Virginia Birth to Three Early Intervention services and expanded its service area to include Pleasants, Wood, Wirt, Ritchie, Jackson, Roane and Calhoun counties. Listed below are the locations that comprise the Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center.

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Wheeling, WV 26003
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304-242-1390 (Phone)

Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center- Steubenville Office
Ohio Valley Towers Building
500 Market St., Suite 618
Steubenville, OH 43952

Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center- St. Clairsville Office
330 Fox-Shannon Place, Suite 2
St. Clairsville, OH 43950
740-695-5979 (Phone)

Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center- Parkersburg Office
4420 Rosemar Center, Unit 103
Parkersburg, WV 26101
888-715-7859 (Toll-free)
304-422-3343 (Phone)



Rick Beatty was very active in the APBA Vintage & Historic Division. He owned many vintage hydroplanes, including E-4 Sir Ron, A-77 Hot Shot, N-56 Justa Pest II, F-77 Country Boy, F-23 Wha Hoppen, and H-202 Heavy Duty, all shown above with Rick driving. Rick was an avid wine, food, car, music and vintage hydroplane enthusiast. He was killed in an unfortunate accident while driving H-202 Heavy Duty at a V&H regatta in Indiana on July 6, 2019. (Photos courtesy Keith Koether.)

The Wheeling Vintage Raceboat Regatta and the Vintage & Historic Division of APBA offer their sincerest condolences to the families and friends of Rick Beatty and John Kirschner.



John with wife Carol, granddaughter Alyson, and Miss Supersonic II

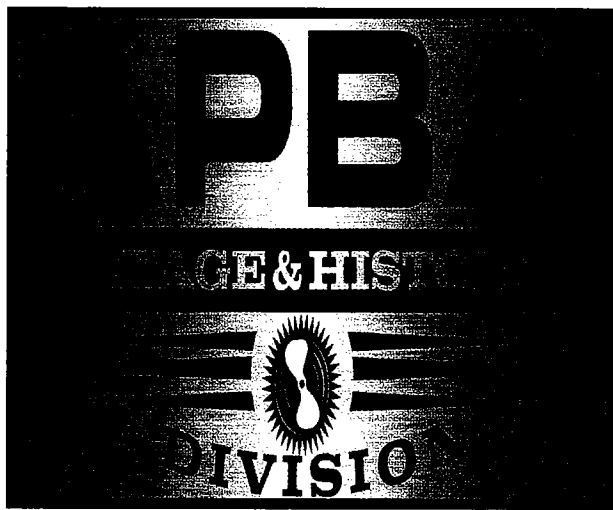


John driving original Miss Supersonic



John driving Miss Supersonic II

John Kirschner was an active participant in the APBA Vintage & Historic Division. John owned and raced a hydroplane named Miss Supersonic, built for him by Charles Lloyd in 1965, until 1971. This boat was very successful and was never less than third in high points. The original Miss Supersonic was sold in 1971. In 2004, after observing his first V&H event in Detroit, John started building the replica Miss Supersonic II out of aluminum. John and son Scott have successfully campaigned Miss Supersonic II at V&H events since 2006. John, Scott and Miss Supersonic II have attended every Wheeling Vintage Raceboat Regatta. John passed away unexpectedly on April 14, 2019 from congestive heart failure.



The appetite for speed on water has been a part of mankind since the early ages. And the adrenaline-pumping sport of powerboat racing can be traced back at least 100 years. The American Power Boat Association (APBA), founded in 1903, is the sanctioning body for all types of boat racing in the United States. Competition, thrills, victory and honor can be found in all 13 of the APBA's racing categories, comprising a broad selection of inboard and outboard engines and hull configurations. **Visit www.apba-racing.com to see what the APBA is all about!**

In 1994, Tom D'Eath was asked to head up the new Vintage & Historic Division of the American Power Boat Association. This newly-formed division set course on building a class within the organization to help preserve the rich racing heritage of the APBA. Old racers came out of retirement to lend a hand. Restorations of old racing hulls were becoming popular and slowly the division started to grow. People who had previously only watched these old boats run became owners and drivers. With just a handful of members, this dedicated group of determined individuals started with just an idea. The Vintage & Historic Division now has over 350 members worldwide. **For more information on the Vintage and Historic Division, visit the official website at www.vintagehydroplanes.com.** This website is rich with information about the vintage raceboats!

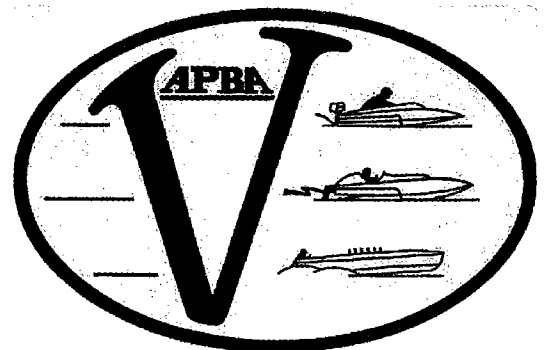
INTERESTED IN GETTING STARTED IN VINTAGE RACEBOATING? The best way to learn about all aspects of becoming a vintage raceboat owner is to contact the Vintage and Historic Division's representative for your region. **West Virginia belongs to Region 4 of the APBA; our vintage representative is Dan Joseph from Wheeling.** He would be happy to talk with you about becoming involved in vintage raceboating. He can be reached at **304.233.4738**, or email at **henrystenth@yahoo.com**. If you are not from West Virginia, he can give you the names of vintage reps from other regions.

SAFETY IN THE VINTAGE AND HISTORIC DIVISION

The question has been asked, "Why don't these boats still participate in actual racing instead of "just" doing exhibition runs?"

The answer is that these boats would not meet the rigorous safety requirements that current raceboats must meet, including a closed capsule in which the driver rides during racing and testing. But vintage members still must meet the safety requirements that have been set down for the division, as described in the Vintage and Historic Division bylaws. Mandatory bright orange/red/yellow helmets, long sleeves, long pants, closed toed shoes and racing life jackets must be worn by each person participating in an exhibition lap. The straps that lift the boat from the trailer into the water and back must be load rated and must be able to hold the entire weight of the boat on each strap. Additionally, each driver and rider must attend the driver's meeting held at the beginning of each exhibition day, and each must be a member of the APBA before they may drive or ride.

For more information, go to www.vintagehydroplanes.com/vintage_historic_bylaws.html.





Many thanks to Photographer Keith Koether for the use of his photographs in the 2019 Wheeling Vintage Raceboat Regatta program. Keith's photos may be viewed and purchased from his website, KK RaceShots,

www.kkraceshots.com.

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