

Regatta Review

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Welcome to the first post-race issue of the Regatta Review!

TERRY TROXELL WINS IN THE U-13 MISS AL DEEBY DODGE

The 2005 APBA Gold Cup goes to Terry Troxell driving for the Miss Al Deeby Dodge team! Terry got the jump on the Miss Elam at the start and led wire-to-wire with an average speed of 142+ mph. I believe this is the oldest boat (and driver since 1946) to win the Gold Cup. The new owner, Detroit Dave Bartush, took delivery of the boat just the week before!

The second place finisher was J. W. Myers in the U-16 Miss Elam and third place went to Detroit Mike Weber in the U-5 Formulaboats.com in the restarted final after a crash involving the U-2 and U-6 in the first running.

LOADS OF GOLD CUP COVERAGE ACROSS THE WEB

On our web site at <http://www.gold-cup.com> you can find our new photo gallery with nearly 200 photos from the event, as well as the full Timing and Scoring Report from the Judges Stand.

The ABRA web site at <http://www.abrahydroplanes.com> has play-by-play heat action reports and their own photo and video gallery... be sure to check out the videos.

Detroit Free Press: Michigan-owned hydroplane wins Gold Cup!
http://www.freep.com/sports/autoracing/hydros18e_20050718.htm

For Unlimiteds Detroit photo coverage:
<http://www.unlimitedsdetroit.com>

Jack Lowe's photos of the Llummar incident on Sunday:
<http://www.jacklowephoto.com/Heat4Pictures.htm>
Detroit News story about the incident:
<http://www.detnews.com/2005/motorsports/0507/18/D07-251282.htm>

THE GOLD CUP WILL BE SHOWN ON OLN TV

The 2005 Gold Cup race will be shown on the Outdoor Life Network (OLN) and is scheduled to show Sunday September 18th at 4:00pm Eastern time and Thursday September 22nd at 6:00pm.

THE TRI-CITIES RACE IS THIS WEEKEND

For coverage on this weekend's race in Tri-Cities, see the ABRA web site. I heard there may

be some streaming coverage, so hopefully the ABRA or Unlimiteds Detroit will have that link when it becomes available.

<http://www.abrahydroplanes.com>

<http://www.unlimitedsdetroit.com>

The newest news about the Tri-Cities race is that Dave Villwock will be driving the U-16 Miss Elam.

ABOUT THE U-100 MISS REBECCA

As to why the U-100 raced in the Gold Cup as Miss Rebecca, DRRA president Bill Rands and his wife Happy stepped up when Fred Leland didn't have a sponsor for the Gold Cup, and became the sponsor for the team. The boat was named after their new granddaughter Rebecca.

Bill and Happy are also co-sponsors of the Mikes Hard Lemonade / Happy-Go-Lucky Unlimited Light, the winner of the 2005 Silver Cup Sweepstakes race. Congratulations to Detroit Mario Maraldo for placing 2nd in that race in his Baby Doll III.

HYDROPLANE FANS CAME ALL THE WAY FROM GERMANY

If there's an award for traveling the most miles to watch the Gold Cup I'd guess it goes to George Franke and his son Tobias from Germany! This was George's third attendance, his son's first, and they hope to get to the Tri-Cities and Seattle races before returning home. George is a R/C scale hydroplane racer and president of an R/C hydro club in Germany... he was thrilled when Jack Lowe introduced him to Roger Newton who offered George a set of plans for a model he's working on now.

Thanks to Jack for volunteering (upon my request) to show George and Tobias around the Detroit Yacht Club as well.

JIM CLARY ARTWORK AUCTIONED OFF AT THE GPYC BENEFIT PARTY

As an auction item for the 3rd Annual Grosse Pointe Yacht Club Pool Party, Michigan Marine Artist Jim Clary offered to create an original pen & ink of this years Gold Cup Champion. Walter Cytacki of Michigan Marine Terminal was the high bidder and will soon receive the J. Clary original pen & ink of U-13, Miss Al Deeby Dodge. Unlimited hydroplane artwork was Clary's first love. At age seven he had the opportunity to shake Guy Lombardo's hand after winning the 1946 Gold Cup, and has been in love with hydro racing ever since. Check out his Famous Thunder Collection at <http://www.jclary.com>.

A NOTE FROM YOUR EDITOR

Let me apologize that it took me so long to get this post-race issue out... between other post-race work, real work, Quake On The Lake last weekend, etc, I'm just now coming up for air.

As you can tell, there has been a lot to report on and I still have stories that I had to put off

until the next issue... more to come!

SOME SAD NEWS TO PASS ALONG

The DRRA would like to extend it's sympathy and condolences to Tony Kallio and his family for the recent loss of his Mother Linda to cancer. The final services are today in Virginia where she was born, and I'd like to dedicate this Regatta Review issue to her.

- Brian Reed - DRRA Volunteer