

# MLAOC at Tweed TORC Races

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After a COVID time out the Toronto Outboard Racing Club roared back into action with a three-day event on Stoco Lake at Tweed, ON. The Tweed Memorial Park was the site of many boat racing events from the 1930's, into the 1950's. It is a great site for boat racing, but no such events have been held here for many years.

More than 50 racers from Canada and the US showed up to compete in eleven different outboard classes. A rookie driver training program was conducted on Friday. A full race schedule was run on Sat. and Sun., July 11 & 12, with a few short delays for rain downpours.

Dana Torch organized our MLAOC Display. Dave Teasdale, Ken Kirk and Dana displayed 17 vintage motors in all, including Konig, Caille, Johnson and Evinrude factory-built racing motors.

Dana also displayed his "Carayne" 50's era utility race boat. Several old-time boat racers stopped by for a look including Dave Dalton, Lem Lyons, Andrew Fralick, Don Dennis, Jim & Will Hunter and three time Canadian "C" Service high point Champion, Jeff Lyttle.



Dana Torch with his pair of 1930 Lockwood Silent Chief's



Sidewinder "B" Motor based on 1950's Champion "Hot Rod"



1950's MERC Mark 20H "POPPER" ready to roar

A great day at the boat races and great exposure for our Club, MLAOC.



Interested spectators asking questions at our MLAOC Display.



Konig "FB" & "A" Racing Motors displayed by Dana Torch



The TORC Pits full of Outboard Hydroplanes.



L-R: Doug Arney, Dave Teasdale, Dave Dalton, Dana Torch & Ken Kirk.  
Our MLAOC display Team.



Dana Torch's "Carayne" utility raced by Lem Lyons in  
"36" Class with OMC power in the 1950's



All original 5.5HP Johnson sold new  
in 1955 by Tweed Johnson Dealer  
Morris Carter. Morris was amazed  
to see this Motor displayed by  
Dana Torch.



Lockwood Ace, displayed  
by Dave Teasdale, dominated  
"A" Class Racing in the late  
1920's.



Launch area for TORC competitors



Ken Kirk's factory race Motor's, L to R: 1930 Johnson VR-50 with dual Vacturi carbs, 1930 Evinrude model 177, Speedytwin Racer  
with dual carbs, 1937 Evinrude Midget Racer, 1929 Caille Streak Racer with dual carbs & tractor lower unit.