

TSACBA & MLAOC Members at Peterborough OPBRA Races

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Once again there was thunder in the water at Little Lake in downtown Peterborough. It was the 2nd annual OPBRA drag races and T class oval racing.

The weather was amazing, hot and sunny and dead flat water. Along with the racing the TSACBA had a display of 23 classic wood and glass boats and an assortment of vintage motors for the spectators to enjoy. Thanks to Rick and Doug Potts we also had a display of RC boats that Rick builds, the people love to see these pieces of art.

The races were very well organized and many very close, hats off to Brent and Becky Valois for once again organizing this event.

This year was in memory of Ronny Haylock who had donated a J Craft as a rescue boat for the club, unfortunately he was almost finished the restoration of the boat when he passed away. The great team at Gateway Marine jumped in and finished the boat and had it ready for the races. Ronny's Marine Rescue one will be at all races in the future. Also the TSACBA had 4 boats that Ronny had redone including his own 1959 Glastron.

Brent also organized a flat Bottom drag boat with a big block Chev to race against the outboard drag boats in 3 different classes, this was very interesting to watch. Many thanks to all from OPBRA for putting on 2 great days of racing. Super nice group of people Murray.



A beautiful "T" Class V hull race boat with OMC 3cyl racing engine.



Some of the nicely restored Vintage Outboards on display.



Wally Hick's Mercury Mk 20. A great runner.



Murray Parnell's Checkmate with Johnson "Stinger" race engine. Love the name "Blue By You".



A great mix of wood & fiberglass boats on display. The Peterborough Little Lake fountain in the back ground.



Murray Parnell's beautifully restored Peterborough "Lakeside" & Mercury Mk 20.