

## Quake on the Lake Prepares to Celebrate 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Pontiac, MI, June 11, 2009 – The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual “Quake on the Lake” Inboard Hydroplane Races return to Pontiac Lake, one of the fastest one-mile race courses in the country, for three exciting days – July 17, 18 and 19. The venue for this year’s world-class event is once again the beautiful and spacious Pontiac Lake Recreation Area located in White Lake and Waterford Townships at M-59 and Williams Lake Road.

To celebrate Quake’s 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the American Power Boat Association’s (APBA) Inboard Hydroplane Eastern Divisional Championships will be contested. Race teams from across the United States and Canada will compete for extra divisional points and championship trophies.

“Quake on the Lake has become one of Oakland County’s signature summertime events,” said Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson. “Over the past nine years, Quake has attracted 300,000 spectators including 35,000 last year alone.”

Fifteen APBA records have been set on Pontiac Lake in five different racing classes since Quake’s inception. Drivers compete in eight classes including Grand Prix, Grand National, National Modified, 5 Litre, 2.5 Litre Modified, 2.5 Litre Stock, 1.5 Litre Modified, and 1.5 Litre Stock.

Added attractions this year will be the J-Hydro Class featuring drivers aged 9 to 14 and the Vintage Class.

Proceeds from the three-day event will benefit the Rainbow Connection, a 501(c)3 charity founded by Patterson which grants wishes to children with life threatening or terminal illnesses, as well as numerous other local grass root initiatives.

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A special wake boarding competition and exhibition will be held on July 18<sup>th</sup>. Other highlights of this year's event are the Genisys Credit Union's Family Fun Zone, musical artists performing Saturday afternoon on the Village Lakes and White Lake Marketplace's live entertainment stage (click on [www.QuakeOnTheLake.org](http://www.QuakeOnTheLake.org) for a complete line-up), the Mopar Direct Connection rig which allows race enthusiasts to view and interact with tech-savvy tuners and web-based technologies that enhance the performance of vehicles of all kinds, and the Navy Accelerate Your Life Tour which provides a first hand look at Navy life.

Saturday evening will also feature the Republic Services / Allied Waste of Michigan Fireworks beginning at dusk.

Event hours are Friday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 p.m. and Sunday 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Ticket prices are \$8 for adults, \$4 for children 5-12 and free admission for kids 4 and under. For additional information and schedule of events go to [www.QuakeOnTheLake.org](http://www.QuakeOnTheLake.org).

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