

Meeting: Marine Racing Club
Date: Feb. 23, 2019
Time: Noon
Location: Mike Pavlick's shop, 61B Stone Hill Road, Oswego, IL 60543
Secretary: Michael Mackey
Attendees: Ryan Burdick, Chuck Homuth, Jeremy Johnson, Dan Keylard, Rich Keylard, John Korbus, Colin Kratz, Dani Kratz, Michael Mackey, Cole Olson, Bill Pavlick III, Mike Pavlick, Mikey Pavlick, Jake Shallcross, James Shallcross, Gene Schertz, Rick Stevens.

Meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. sharp by Bill Pavlick. Previous meeting minutes (Dec. 1, 2018) are available on the [Marine Racing Club meetings webpage](#).

2019 Races — Open comments

- Bill Pavlick says Springfield, Ohio (July 6-7) is OK.
- Ryan Burdick indicated Pell Lake will probably occur as scheduled (May 18-19).
- Pavlick continued that Rock Falls (June 28-30), Oshkosh (Aug. 31-Sept. 1) and Beloit (Sept. 14-15) are all OK too.
- Wakefield, Michigan: Don Allen is the pre-race and race director; please help Don as you can. Registration Saturday night; Driver's meeting Monday. BSOA is trying to shorten the week since the Modified category will not be there.

MRC/BSOA Banquet — Bill Pavlick

- Tickets are now available (\$30 per person).
- The banquet is being held in Beloit to help draw Wisconsin members, and as a way for MRC to give back in a small way to the city of Beloit.

ABPA annual meeting recap — Mikey Pavlick and Mike Pavlick

- Many rule changes to be aware of.
- The end of the kill switch lanyard (the end that attaches to the driver) must pop the kill switch further than 12-inches to the motor board of the boat. In other words, if the end of the lanyard is 12-inches or less away from the motor board of the boat, the lanyard must be shortened. The lanyard can be attached to either the driver's wrist or the D-ring of the life jacket.
- Cut-resistant socks and/or boots are mandatory.
- First-time safety rule violations are now a yellow card offense and will increase if the issue(s) are repeated and/or not corrected.
- Still working on finalizing rules for heat stoppages.
- 300 engine protest costs are \$100 for the protest and \$250 to reseal the engine. The protesting party pays all fees if protested engine turns out to be legal.

- Minimum boat count rule changes: The eastern, western and national closed-course championship races must have a minimum of eight bona fide starters in either of the final heats to award a championship. The divisional championships must have a minimum of six bona fide starters in either heat to award a championship. Bonus points will not be awarded if the minimum is not met.
- Divisional pre-qualifiers have been eliminated. (On the record, as a club, MRC is disappointed in this rule.)
- Rookie awards now happen the season the rookie removes their stripes.
- Runabout width is determined by at the widest point of the boat.
- 321 engine spray shields can be drilled with a 1 3/8-inch opening to reach the carburetor.
- Yamato 80s are legal engines for BSH for two more years. Other legal B engines are Mercury 25 and Sidewinder.
- The younger (under 30) members presented to the Historical Society re: DePue grant money provided in 2018. The DePue race did not happen, but the younger members made a compelling presentation and a great impression on the Historical Society.

Pizza arrives — 1 p.m.

- Meeting quickly devolved into social time over lunch.

1:46 p.m. Motion to adjourn. Moved to accept; seconded; voted and unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned. Next meeting: April 27 combined with the spring 2019 Region 7 meeting. MRC/BSOA awards banquet to follow. Please see the [Marine Racing Club meetings webpage](#) for details.