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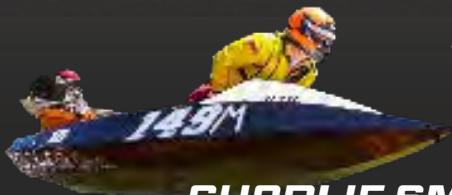
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WHAT IS THE TOP O' MICHIGAN OUTBOARD RACING CLUB?

The Top O' Michigan Outboard Racing Club started in 1949 as the Top O' Michigan Marathon Association by local supporters from the Northern Michigan area. The Club has continued supporting the area and promoting the race for the past 78 years. The group of approximately 25 active members has continued to put on the oldest and most prestigious race in the Outboard marathon circuit. Top O' Michigan Outboard Racing Club hosts the Marathon Nationals and a short course and marathon race on Grand Lake in Presque Isle, Michigan each year.

In 2013, the Top O' Michigan Marathon won the American Power Boat Association Kevin Ladd Award Best Stock Outboard Race in Region 6. The permanent plaque is housed at the Inland Water Route Historical Museum in Alanson.

The Top O' Michigan Outboard Racing Club would like to thank all the residents, volunteers, U.S. Coast Guard and Auxiliary, Cheboygan and Emmet County Sheriff and Law Enforcement Divisions, Department of Natural Resources, Township officials, Ambulance services and patrol boats for their help in making this race successful.



2026 BOARD MEMBERS

From Left: Sarah Bek-Treasurer
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Samantha Fairbairn-Commodore



2026 CLUB MEMBERS

For more information on the Top O' Michigan Outboard Racing Club, please visit www.tomorc.org or email tomorc.race@gmail.com



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Club Members of the Year

By: Samantha Fairbairn, TOMORC Commodore

**Our Top O' 2025 Members of the Year are:
Fred and Freddie Hollerback!**

Fred and Freddie are what most people call a 'dynamic duo'. A father and son dream team, if you will! Fred and Freddie always show up and lend helping hands. They can often be seen together tackling the heavy lifting or jobs that most people don't want to do. Freddie's nimble nature normally finds him in questionable areas doing the tasks us older folk are unwilling to complete (thanks Freddie!). Two extremely kind and very helpful people that we are blessed to call club members. Hard workers, legendary racers, good people.

Thanks Fred and Freddie!



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Race Program

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

5:00 - 7:00 P.M. Driver's Registration at Pits
4:30 - 7:30 P.M. Dinner at Pits
Private for Racers and Volunteers Only

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

7:30 - 8:30 A.M. Driver's Registration at Pits
9:30 A.M. Driver's Meeting
DeVoe Beach
12:00 P.M. Start of Marathon Race

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

9:30 A.M. Driver's Meeting
DeVoe Beach
12:00 P.M. Start of Marathon Race
4:30 P.M. Awards Presentation
and Food at Pits

DAY 1

Saturday's Course: Approximately 45 miles
LeMans start at the pits in Burt Lake running into Burt Lake approximately 1/2 mile to a turn buoy and then returning to the mouth of the Indian River. The race then runs through the entire length of Indian River into Mullett Lake to a check point in front of the Breaker's, then along the west shore of Mullett Lake and up the full length of the Cheboygan River to a turnaround in the City of Cheboygan, and then returns over the same course to a finish line in the Indian River.

DAY 2

Sunday's Course: Approximately 42 miles
LeMans start at the pits in Burt Lake, then running across Burt Lake to a check point on the west shore, up the west shoreline of Burt Lake through the Crooked River and around Crooked Lake, back through the Crooked River, across Burt Lake, through the Indian River to a turnaround in Mullett Lake, then returning through the Indian River to a finish line.

NOTE: For safety purposes, the area between the M-68 Bridge and the Locks is considered to be a "NO RACE" zone.

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HARBOR SPRINGS, MI

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ALANSON, MI

The Top O' Michigan Outboard Racing Club would like to take this opportunity to thank all the incredible people who help our racers along the way.

Over the years, we have heard countless stories of people watching from their homes along the river who rush to help drivers in need—bringing tools, rope, duct tape, or anything else that might get them back in the race. And when that doesn't work, they welcome racers up to their homes for a refreshment and a comfortable place to watch until they can be brought back to the race pits. Or the fans watching from their boats who step in to tow a broken-down race boat in and taken the driver on board until the race is done.



These moments are far bigger than boat racing. They are examples of the kind of humanity we hope our children and future generations will witness and carry forward. In a world that often focuses on differences, these acts of kindness, compassion, generosity, and willingness to help a stranger remind us what truly matters.

The Top O' Michigan Marathon Nationals is known for exciting racing, but it is the people along the river, on the water, and throughout our communities who make this event special. Thank you for lending a hand, opening your homes, sharing your boats, and showing our racers what it means to be part of a caring community.

*"A single act of kindness throws out roots in all directions,
and the roots spring up and make new trees."*

— Amelia Earhart

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Gene Greenacre - A Lifetime Dedicated to Racing and Community

If you received a trophy from Top O', you probably did not realize that Gene perhaps was the person who selected them for many years. Gene was born into racing Top O' as a second-generation boat racer. His parents were some of the original members of the Top O' Michigan Racing Club that worked with the Top O' Michigan Marathon Association. Elmer and Elsie worked tirelessly for years working to put on the marathon. They taught and mentored Gene to work and help other racers succeed. Gene passed this on to his son Brian who took on the challenge. His wife Donna, worked as a scorer and supported not only Gene but the organization. Gene and his family were always ready to lend a hand wherever possible. Gene was known as always being fair, kind, and helpful to his peers no matter where or when.



At a young age, Gene joined the United States Army. He proudly served his country from 1970-1972 with a tour in Germany. Gene worked many years as the physical plant director of the maintenance plant at North Central Michigan College where his older son Randy now works. He retired from NCMC after 30 years. He served on the Alanson Fire Department for 41 years, retiring as Assistant Chief. He also served on the zoning and fire board.

Gene enjoyed boat racing and collecting and refurbishing antique cars and snowmobiles, where he won many awards. His greatest passion was hunting.

Gene won the coveted Top O' Michigan Marathon three times between 1995 to 2009 in the BSR class.

Gene will be missed by the Top O' Michigan Outboard Racing Club and so many other racers that he helped throughout the years. His legacy will be forever in the hearts of boat racers and the Village of Alanson which he loved and lived.





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When racers pull into Indian River, it doesn't feel like arriving at an event—it feels like pulling into a hometown.

They see the same faces in the pits, the volunteers who remember their names, and the locals who've been standing in the same favorite spots on the shoreline year after year. The air smells like fuel, food stands, and river water, and instead of nerves taking over, there's this sense of ease:

"I know THIS place. I know THESE people."

In the staging area, they're swapping tools, stories, and last-minute tips with other teams who feel less like rivals and more like cousins they only get to see a few weekends a year. There's joking, handshakes, hugs, and that quiet understanding that everyone here loves the same thing in the same way.

On the water, they race hard—it's loud, fast, and intense—but the river itself feels familiar, like a course they've grown up on. Back on shore, kids run around the trailers, families share coolers and camp chairs, and the line between "team" and "spectator" pretty much disappears. People ask how the boat's running, how the family's doing, what events they're headed to next—and they genuinely care about the answers.

By the end of the weekend, whether they leave with a trophy or just a tired engine and sunburned shoulders, the feeling is the same: Indian River isn't just another stop on the circuit. It's the place where racers can drop their guard, be themselves, and feel like they've come home to a big group of friends who've been waiting all year to see them again.



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Motor: Mercury 15 Restricted,
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Minimum Age: 9 years

Speeds Attained: 35-40 mph



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ASR

Minimum Overall Weight: 350 lbs.
Motor: OMC, Mercury, Sidewinder

Minimum Age: 14 years
Speeds Attained: 46-53 mph



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DAVID WOODLE, JR. 43B
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15 SSR

Minimum Overall Weight: 360 lbs.
Minimum Age: 15 years

Motor: Hot Rod, Sidewinder
Speeds Attained: 56-62 mph



CHRIS HAGERL 4M
Brutus, Michigan



EDWARD HEARN 14H
Valparaiso, Indiana



JACK LYONS 6A
Marlborough, New Hampshire

BSR

Minimum Overall Weight: 395 lbs
Motor: Sidewinder, Mercury
Minimum Age: 16 years
Speeds Attained: 60-65 mph



JARON BRIDGET 756M
Cadillac, Michigan





25 SSR

Minimum Overall Weight: 395, 405, or 415 lbs based on motor
Motor: Mercury, Yamato, Hot Rod
Minimum Age: 16 years
Speeds Attained: 58-65 mph



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Ringoes, New Jersey



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Traverse City, Michigan



GARIN JANICKI 201M
Harbor Springs, Michigan

Minimum Overall Weight: 475 lbs
Motor: Yamato 102/302, 321
Minimum Age: 16 years
Speeds Attained: 55-65 mph



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FRED HOLLERBACK 22M
Alanson, Michigan



WILL HUNGO 444M
Alanson, Michigan



CRAIG LADD 140M
Alanson, Michigan



JOSH PEARSON 95M
Berkley, Michigan



MARK WEBER 55M
Detroit, Michigan



RICH WELCH 61M
Grosse Point Woods, Michigan

Minimum Overall Weight: 515 lbs

Motor:
Mercury/Mariner, Bass/Tohatsu

Minimum Age: 16 years

Speeds Attained: 63-73 mph

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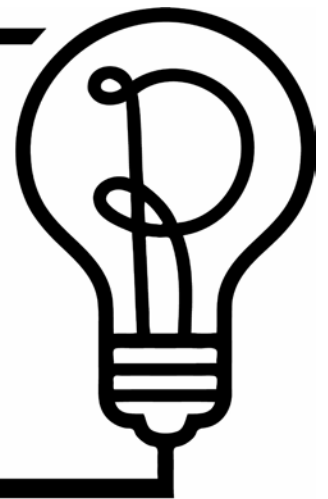
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Luke, mustache, lifts weights, diesel truck

- "Bro benches his bodyweight for reps, but folds under pressure by a walking helmet with flippers."
- "Luke's got diesel power, gym power, mustache power...still lost to a turtle on cruise control."
- "You lift six days a week just to get your ego PR'd by a reptile that needs a week to cross the road."

"Keep your eyes on the water Luke. All that gym time and that mustache don't mean anything if the one muscle you refuse to use is your eyeballs. The turtles are 1-0 on you."



BACK IN THE DAY WITH THE J'S

Things looked a little different for the J Runabout racers 75 years ago. The life jackets were bulkier, the helmets were heavier, and Kevlar was still years away from being invented. Judging by these photos, a few of these young racers may have been steering more by instinct than by sight—their helmets seem almost bigger than they are! Somehow, they still managed to find the course and fuel a lifelong love of boat racing.



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The Heart of The Pits: Bryan Lauer's Lasting Legacy

The Lauer family has deep roots in boat racing, especially with the Top O' Michigan Outboard Racing Club. Bryan began racing in the early 1990s and continued in stock outboard and inflatables for more than 15 years. He was an active club member, served on numerous race committees, and was always the first to volunteer when asked. He helped build this club, and Top O', into what it is today. His presence will be desperately missed. These races won't be the same without him. He was a staple, an expectation, and one of the most quietly generous people you could ever meet. Race in peace, Bryan.

We asked several people who knew Bryan to share their favorite stories and the things they remembered most about him. A common theme ran through every response: **Bryan had a remarkable way of making everyone feel welcome.**

Whether you were a close friend or someone he had just met, Bryan had a gift for drawing you in, remembering your name, and making you feel like you belonged. People spoke repeatedly about his generosity—of time, of attention, and of spirit—and his constant willingness to help others, often without being asked and without expecting anything in return.

"Bryan will be remembered for his kindness, his willingness to help others, and the friendships he built along the way. His legacy will continue to be felt every time we gather at the races he loved so much." ~Fred Hollerback

"What I loved most about Bryan was his brutal, straightforward honesty. You always knew exactly where you stood with him. We served on the school board together for many years, and his one and only goal was always what was best for the kids. He was one of the most gracious people I know. Every race he had a trailer full of food and drinks for anyone who showed up. He did that every race for 30 years." ~Paul Fairbairn

"Our dog Tucker just loved Bryan and he loved to spoil Tucker. All I would have to say was Bryan's name and Tucker would want to go looking for him. Tucker would sneak away from the motorhome every chance he got and I would walk over to the Lauer trailer, and he would be standing in it like he owned it." ~Sandy, Mark & Tucker Tate

"Friend, confidante, loyal, brash and silent philanthropist. If you wanted a straight answer, you would get it from Bryan. Bryan asked me if he could copy my winning boat. He would come down on weekends to work on the boat, and he would often bring Peter with him. The boat was very well built and fast. The boat racing community has lost a real ICON!" ~Don Voisin

*"The first time I ever met Bryan, we were at a race in Florida. My son's motor was having issues, and I was on my way to scratch for the day. Bryan asked where I was going and when I told him, he said, 'Bull****, go get a motor from our trailer.' So, I asked him which one I should take and he said, 'Just grab any one of them, it doesn't matter.' What I will always remember most about Bryan is his compassion for others and his infectious laugh. He will be deeply missed by everyone who had the privilege of knowing him." ~Jim Sweeney*

"Bryan was a good friend and one you could always count on. He would always step forward to help out and was the most generous person that I have ever met. I miss you terribly." ~Tom Fairbairn Jr.

"I laugh just thinking about how much he liked to laugh. Bryan and I enjoyed sporting clays very much and honing our skills and comparing notes on improvement. One of my favorite days was shooting with him and Vic Brinkman. Both champions in many different ways." ~ Bob Austin

"Whether a friend or foe you make, whoever you are, in his presence he made you feel absolutely comfortable around him. God bless him and blessings to his family." ~ Gordon Pearson

"I was honored that Bryan thought enough of me to build a boat for him and Peter. Peter went on to win with that boat. I will miss his sense of humor and his kindness towards me. What a Man!" ~ Mark Kurz

"Bryan treated the Bennett's like gold! Drinking fireball shots with my wife and giving Kelsey a brand-new racing motor out of the blue. He talked me into selling him the best A runabout I ever built, and Pete beat me with it at the next nationals! He is a friend you can never replace!!" ~ Dave Bennett

"Oh Bryan!! You coached our JV football team, and I will never forget on the first day, you said, 'Team captains are Phillips and Bosker, appointed by me, and if you don't like it, leave!' You know where you stood with Bryan ALWAYS! No matter our adventures, whether it be hunting, boat racing, snowmobiling, or golfing, he was a competitor, mentor and best of all a TRUE FRIEND!" ~ Troy Bosker

These memories and words paint a clear picture of **who Bryan was: a generous heart, an open door, and a steady presence who made the world feel a little kinder for everyone around him.**





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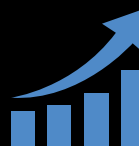
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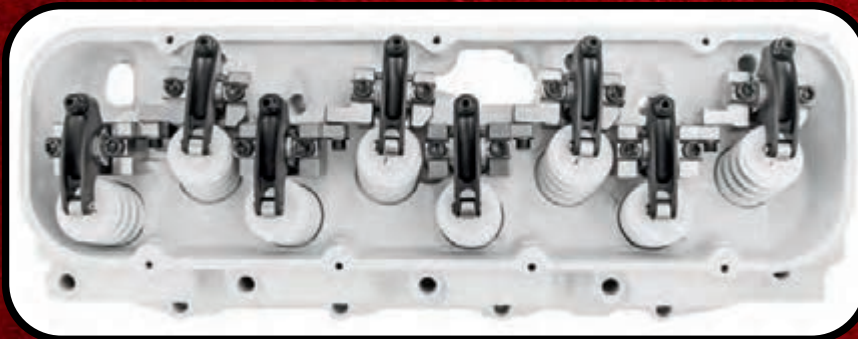
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my neighbor, Skip Paul, informed me that the Top O' Michigan boat race is the greatest marathon boat race still in existence.

Fast forward 11 months, and I was in Indian River getting ready to race a 25 runabout rig. Having never raced before, to say I was nervous would be an understatement. I obviously didn't know what I was doing, at registration Mary Ellen Hagerl asked me numerous questions, all of which I didn't know the answer to. She seemed frustrated with me to say the least.

On race day, I was informed that my transom was $\frac{3}{4}$ " too tall. Brian Mitsch's response was "Well, that's quite unfortunate." Undeterred, we made the necessary adjustments in time and I was off to the races.

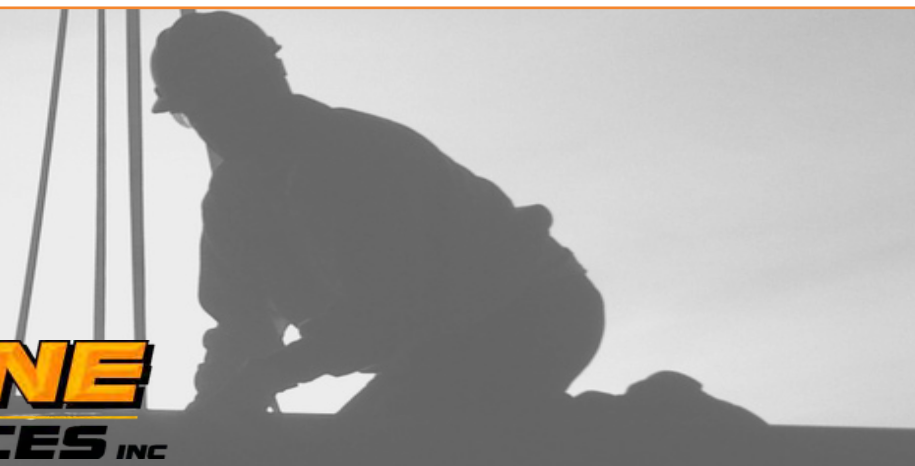


The Top O' Michigan Marathon Nationals is a two-day race. Day one went well, day two not so well. My boat barrel-rolled off of a pleasure boat wake, and much to my dismay, that was the end of my first Top O' Michigan Marathon National boat race.

I was not discouraged however, and I am still racing to this day. Throughout the years, I have met many amazing people and I have raced with true legends including Andy Butterfield, John Broge, Mike Affholter, Rob Wilkens and Brian Mitsch.



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Off the racecourse, Dustin poured that same intensity into the things he loved most—hunting, snowmobiling, and playing hockey—while still being the life of the party. He loved the dance floor, could light up any room, and had a rare gift for making people smile and laugh. Above all his achievements, he was most proud of his children, Reed and Baker, and his wife, Devan, who were always at the center of his world.



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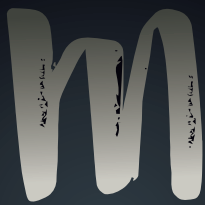
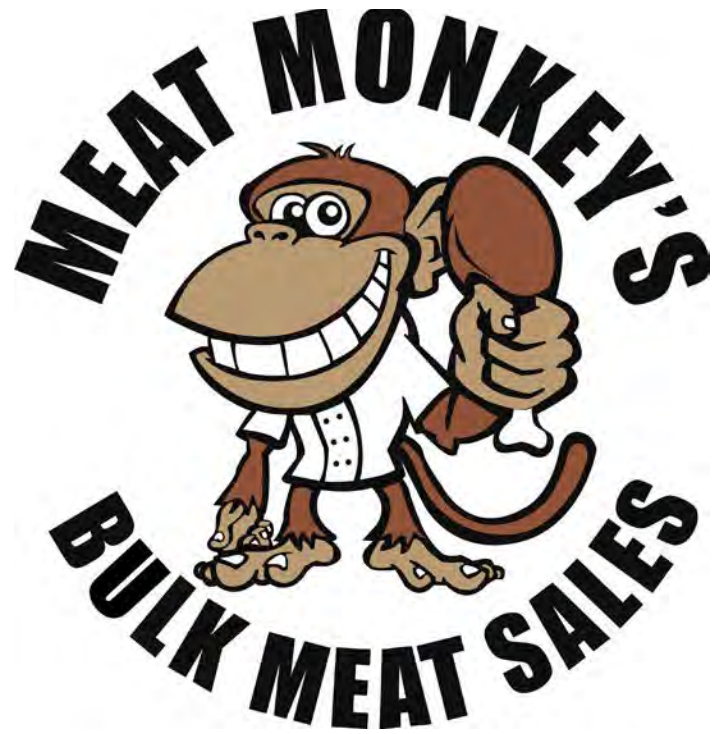
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A - David Woodle, Jr., Groton, MA
15 - Jack Lyons, Marlborough, NH
25 - James Klein, Davisburg, MI
C - Chase Fairbairn, Harbor Springs, MI
D - Fred Hollerback, Alanson, MI

-2024-

J - Chase Tenbusch, Oxford, MI
A - David Woodle, Groton, MA
15 - Callie Shensky, Germantown, WI
25 - William Affholter, Bad Axe, MI
C - Chase Fairbairn, Harbor Springs, MI
D - Luke Bosker, Harbor Springs, MI

-2023-

J - Carson Fierek, Hessel, MI
AX - Ava Hearn, Chesterton, IN
A - Stephen McCourtie, Concord, MI
15 - Callie Shensky, Germantown, WI
25 - Dustin Fierek, Hessel, MI
C - Chase Fairbairn, Harbor Springs, MI
D - Luke Bosker, Harbor Springs, MI

-2022-

JSR - Shelby Love, Thousand Oaks, CA
AXR - Mason Johnson, Cheboygan, MI
ASR - Johnny Wlodarski III, Newton, NJ
15SSR - Samantha Fairbairn, Alanson, MI
25SSR - Dustin Fierek, Detour Village, MI
CSR - Tim Ross, Waterford Twp., MI
DSR - Josh Pearson, Indian River, MI

-2021-

JSR - Elise Hearn, Valparaiso, IN
AXR - Logan McMullen, Wolverine, MI
ASR - John Wlodarski III, Newton, NJ
15SSR - James Klein, Davisburg, MI
25SSR - Dustin Fierek, Detour Village, MI
CSR - Tim Ross, Waterford Twp., MI
DSR - Josh Pearson, Berkley, MI

-2020-

JSR - Dominick Trolan, Milan, MI
AXR - Fredrick Hollerback II, Alanson, MI
ASR - Peter Lauer, Harbor Springs, MI
15SSR - Dylan Runne, Rumson, NJ
25SSR - Dustin Fierek, Detour Village, MI
CSR - Dustin Pearson, Mt. Pleasant, MI
DSR - Daniel Pearson, Harbor Springs, MI

-2019-

JSR - Emily Kerr, Flat Rock, MI
ASR - Stephen McCourtie, Las Vegas, NV
15SSR - Samantha Fairbairn, Brutus, MI
25SSR - Dustin Fierek, Detour Village, MI
CSR - Tim Ross, Waterford Twp., MI
DSR - Josh Pearson, Berkley, MI

-2018-

JSR - Nathan Kowalski, Presque Isle, MI
ASR - Stephen McCourtie, Las Vegas, NV
15SSR - Peter Lauer, Harbor Springs, MI
25SSR - Justin Giegler, Indian River, MI
CSR - Nick Jenkins, Dorr, WI
DSR - Nick Ladd, Alanson, MI
Bandit - Dan Collins & Jordan Nellenbach, Grosse Ile, MI
Outlaw - William & Amanda Chernick, Carleton, MI
X - Kyle Yacko & Nikki Lezote, Trenton & Lincoln Park, MI

-2017-

J - Emily Kerr, Flat Rock, MI
ASR - Peter Lauer, Harbor Springs, MI
BSR - Samantha Fairbairn, Alanson, MI
25SSR - Justin Giegler, Indian River, MI
CSR - Dustin Pearson, Indian River, MI
DSR - Josh Pearson, Berkley, MI
Bandit - Jake Jerge & Samantha Appleyard, Milford, MI
Outlaw - Raymond & Emily Crooks, South Rockwood, MI
X - Jeff Howie & Steven Parsons, New Hudson, MI

-2016-

J - Nathan Kowalski - Presque Isle, MI
ASR - Mac Pfalzer - Lake Forest, IL
BSR - James Klein - Davisburg, MI
25SSR - Justin Giegler - Indian River, MI
CSR - Tim Ross - Waterford Township, MI
DSR - Fred Hollerback - Alanson, MI
Bandit - K.Yacko/R. Anspach - Trenton/Flatrock, MI
Outlaw - William & Amanda Chernick - Carleton, MI
X - Steven & Lauren Hertz - Milford, MI

-2015-

J - Nathan Kowalski - Presque Isle, MI
ASR - Terry Kerr - Flat Rock, MI
BSR - Peter Lauer - Harbor Springs, MI
25SSR - Brent Johnson - Atlanta, GA
CSR - Dustin Pearson - Indian River, MI
DSR - Fred Hollerbeck - Alanson, MI
Bandit - James Yacko & Stephanie Green - Trenton & Southgate, MI
Outlaw - Lee & Ryan Hallenbeck - Wolverine, MI
X - John & Steve Heunick - Waterford & Lakeport, MI
P750 - Peter Pulaski & Henry Alstadi - Dunstable & Sunderland, MA

-2014-

JClass - Alexander Deck
AXR - Leland Broge
ASR - Mackinnon Pfalzer
BSR - Amanda Hagerl
25SSR - Fred Hollerback
CSR - Tim Ross
DSR - Josh Pearson
Bandit - James Yacko/Jayson Greene
X - Leo & Ryan Hallenbeck

-2013-

AXR - Mackinnon Pfalzer - Lake Forest, IL
999V ASR - J.R. Broge - Wyandotte, MI
BSR - Amanda Hagerl - Brutus, MI
25SSR - Peter Lauer - Harbor Springs, MI
CSR - Tim Ross - Waterford Township, MI
DSR - Josh Pearson - Berkley, MI
BANDIT - James Yacko/Stephanie Greene - Trenton Southgate, MI

-2012-

JClass - Colin Smith - Jackson, MI
ASR - Terry Kerr - Flat Rock, MI
BSR - Amanda Hagerl - Brutus, MI
25SSR - Rob Wilkins - Indian River, MI
CSR - Dustin Pearson - Indian River, MI
DSR - Nick Ladd - Alanson, MI
BANDIT - Mike Green & Sally Johnson - Harbor Springs, MI
21 XClass - John & Steve Heunick - Waterford, MI

-2011-

JSR - J.R. Broge Wyandotte, MI
ASR - Terry Kerr, Southgate, MI/Lynne Blomberg, Harbor Springs, MI
BSR - Chris Hagerl, Brutus, MI
25SSR - Fred Hollenback, Alanson, MI
CSR - Kurt Kovtun, Indian River, MI
DSR - Josh Pearson, Berkley, MI
BANDIT - Leo & Rob Hollenback, Wolverine, MI and Pellston, MI
OUTLAW - Tracy Phillips/Matt Cupps Harbor Springs, MI
Experimental - Hodorek & Kowalski St.Clair Shores, MI

-2010-

JSR - Katelyn Jewell
ASR - Dan Elliott
BSR - Brian Greenacre
25SSR - Charlie Smith
CSR - Mark Kurz
DSR - Josh Pearson
BANDIT - Charlie Brockway/Brian Dylhoff
OUTLAW - Tracy Phillips/Matt Cupps
XClass Inflatables - Jeff Korpall/Josh Jaynes

-2009-

JSR - JRBroge, Wyandotte, MI
ASR - Nick Jenkins, Dorr, MI
BSR - Gene Greenacre, Alanson, MI
CSR - Tim Ross, Waterford Twp, MI
25SSR - Charlie Smith, Petoskey, MI
DSR - Josh Pearson, Berkley, MI
XClass Inflatables - Scot & Ken Honeysette, Harbor Springs, MI & Alanson, MI
Bandit Inflatables - Mike Green, Harbor Springs, MI
& Sally Johnson, Lexington, KY
Outlaw Inflatables - Tracy Phillips & Matt Cupps, Harbor Springs, MI

-2008-

JSR - Kyle Roskowski
ASR - Stephen McCourtie
BSR - Chris Hagerl
CSR - Kim Park
25SSR - Charlie Smith
DSR - Josh Pearson
XClass Inflatables - Scott Lauer & Sarah Bek Bandit Inflatables - Mike Green & Sally Johnson Outlaw Inflatables - Tracy Phillips & Matt Cupps

-2007-

JSR - Peter Lauer
ASR - Steven McCourtie
BSR - Gene Greenacre
CSR - Tim Ross, Waterford, MI
25SSR - Rick Dadd
DSR - Nick Ladd
XClass Inflatables - Bryan Lauer & Ken Honeysette Bandit Inflatables - Mike Green & Sally Johnson Outlaw Inflatables - Tracy Phillips & Matt Cupps

-2006-

JSR - Steven McCourtie
ASR - Anne Blomberg
BSR - Chris Hagerl, Brutus, MI
CSR - Tim Ross, Waterford, MI
25SSR - Jamie Park, Sault Ste. Marie, ONT
DSR - Josh Pearson, Wixom, MI
XClass Inflatables - Bryan Lauer & Ken Honeysette Bandit Inflatables - Charlie Brockway & Kenampsell, Lawton, MI
Outlaw Inflatables - Tracy Phillips & Matt Cupps

-2005-

ASR - Nick Jenkins, Dorr, MI
BSR - Chris Hagerl, Brutus, MI
CSR - Kim Parks, Sault Ste. Marie, ONT & Tim Ross, Waterford, MI
DSR - Wayne Blomberg, Harbor Springs, MI
JSR - Charlie Smith, Petoskey, MI
Bandit Inflatables - Charlie Brockway & Ken Sampsell, Lawton, MI
Outlaw Inflatables - Tracy Phillips & Matt Cupps XClass Inflatables - Eric Meyers, Trenton, MI & Tony Bragadin

-2004-

ASR - Jamie Park, Sault Ste. Marie, ONT
BSR - Chris Hagerl, Brutus, MI
CSR - Tim Ross, Waterford, MI
DSR - Nick Ladd, Alanson, MI
JSR - Charlie Smith, Petoskey, MI
25SSR - Andy Butterfield, Algonac, MI
Bandit Inflatables - Not available
Outlaw Inflatables - Bryan Lauer & Joe Wespiser, Harbor Springs, MI
XClass Inflatables - Jim Hagerl & Sarah Bek, Brutus, MI & Harbor Springs, MI

-2003-

ASR - Chris Hagerl, Brutus, MI
BSR - Jim Hagerl, Brutus, MI
CSR - Tim Ross, Waterford, MI
DSR - Gordon Pearson, Indian River, MI
25SSR - Andy Butterfield, Algonac, MI
Bandit Inflatables - Charlie Brockway & Sarah Bek, Harbor Springs, MI
Outlaw Inflatables - Jeff Spencer & Gina Nutt, Bay City, MI
XClass Inflatables - George Cochran & Amanda Hagerl, E. Greenwich, R.I. & Brutus, MI

-2002-

ASR - Wayne Peterson, Harbor Springs, MI
BSR - Brian Greenacre, Alanson, MI
CSR - Tim Ross, Waterford Twp, MI
DSR - Todd Veum, Sault Ste. Marie, MI
25SSR - Andy Butterfield, Algonac, MI
Bandit Inflatables - Robert Fisher & Zach Stevely, Waterford, MI
Outlaw Inflatables - Tracy Phillips & Paul Fairbairn, Harbor Springs, MI
XClass Inflatables - George Cochran & Brian Anderson, E. Greenwich, R.I.

-2001-

JSR - Amanda Hagerl, Brutus, MI
ASR - Wayne Blomberg, Harbor Springs, MI
BSR - Jim Hagerl, Brutus, MI
CSR - Dewey Ross, Union Lake, MI
DSR - Troy Bosker, Harbor Springs, MI
25SSR - Rob Wilkens, Holly, MI
Bandit Inflatables - Bill Jolly & Judie Rolewicz, Southgate, MI
Outlaw Inflatables - Bryan Lauer, Harbor Springs, MI

-2000-

ASR - Wayne Peterson, Harbor Springs, MI
BSR - Mike Jodway, Redford, MI
CSR - Tim Ross, Waterford, MI
DSR - Josh Pearson, Wixom, MI
25SSR - Andy Butterfield, Algonac, MI
Bandit Inflatables - Blake Mossholder Mason, MI
Outlaw Inflatables - Matt Mertin Oshkosh, WI

-1999-

ASR - Wayne Peterson, Harbor Springs, MI
BSR - Jim Hagerl, Brutus, MI
CSR - Tim Ross, Waterford, MI
DSR - Tracy Phillips, Harbor Springs, MI
25SSR - John Broge, Wyandotte, MI
Bandit Inflatables - Chad Cunningham & Chris Davis, Bay City, MI
Outlaw Inflatables - Matt Mertin & Jon Steiner, Oshkosh, WI

PREVIOUS MARATHON CHAMPIONS 1949-2025

-1998-

ASR-Steve Dawe, Indio, CA
BSR-Brian Rose, Harrison Twp., MI
CSR-Tim Ross, Waterford, MI
DSR-Tracy Phillips, Harbor Springs, MI
JSR-Chris Hagerl, Brutus, MI
25SSR-Andy Butterfield, Algonac, MI
Bandit Inflatables-Michael & Chad Cunningham, Bay City, MI

-1997-

DSR-Tracy Phillips, Harbor Springs, MI
CSR-Tim Ross, Union Lake, MI
C2R-Paul Fairbairn, Harbor Springs, MI
25SSR-George Jenkins Jr., Dor, MI
BSR-Jack McCourtie, Jackson, MI
ASR-Wayne Blomberg, Harbor Springs, MI
JSR-Chris Hagerl, Brutus, MI

-1996-

A-Wayne Peterson, Harbor Springs, MI
B-Jim Hagerl, Brutus, MI
C-George Jenkins Sr., Wayland, MI
C2-Paul Fairbairn, Harbor Springs, MI
D-Tracy Phillips, Harbor Springs, MI
25SSR-Andy Butterfield, Algonac, MI

-1995-

A-George Jenkins Jr., Wayland, MI
B-Gene Greenacre, Alanson, MI
C-Josh Perason, Indian River, MI
D-Tracy Phillips, Harbor Springs, MI
25SSR-John Broge, Wyandotte, MI

-1994-

A-Wayne Blomberg, Harbor Springs, MI
B-Ed Hearn, Leesburg, IN
C-Mike Ross, Waterford, MI
D-Tom Fairbairn, Alanson, MI
25SSR-John Broge, Wyandotte, MI

-1993-

A-Richard Runne, Highlands, NJ
B-Cooper Jess, Ripon, WI
C-Mike Affholter, Lincoln Park, MI
D-Tom Fairbairn, Alanson, MI
25SS-John Broge, Wyandotte, MI

-1992-

A-Wayne Blomberg, Harbor Springs, MI
B-Cooper Jess, Ripon, WI
C-Mike Affholter, Lincoln Park, MI
D-Tom Fairbairn, Alanson, MI
25SS-Kerry Hamlin, Grass Lake, MI

-1991-

D-Matt Ladd, Alanson, MI
C-Mike Affholter, Lincoln Park, MI
A-Wayne Blomberg, Harbor Springs, MI
15-Tom Spedding Jr., Cheboygan, MI
25-Vic Brinkman, Grass Lake, MI

-1990-

D-Tom Fairbairn, Alanson, MI
C-Mike Ross, Union Lake, MI
B-Ken Honeysette, Alanson, MI
A-Dave Dewald, Reading, PA
15-Tim Ross, Union Lake, MI
25-Bob Austin, Rumson, NJ

-1989-

A-Dave Dewald, Reading, PA
B-Ken Honeysette, Alanson, MI
C-Jeff Brewster, Ravenna, OH
D-Matt Ladd, Alanson, MI
15-Tim Ross, Union Lake, MI
25-Bob Austin, Rumson, NJ

-1988-

D-Mike Ross, Union Lake, MI
C-Robert Smith, Oakton, VA
25-Bill Goggin, Alma, MI
B-Kurt McCourtie, Jackson, MI
A-Kevin Mallalieu, West Chester, PA
15-Randy Hippler, Warren, MI

-1987-

D-Mike Ross, Union Lake, MI
25-Robert Zilka, Gibraltar, MI
B-John Broge, Trenton, MI
A-Tom Ross, Union Lake, MI
15-Don Hagerl, Brutus, MI

-1986-

C-Ron Oswalt, Cheboygan, MI
A-Mike Ross, Union Lake, MI
15-Don Hagerl, Brutus, MI
B-Vic Brinkman, Michigan Center, MI
25-Kurt McCourtie, Michigan Center, MI
C-Gordon Pearson, Indian River, MI
D-Tom Fairbairn, Alanson, MI

-1985- NO RACE-

-1984-

D-Fred Schwartz, Detroit, MI
C-Mike Ross, Union Lake, MI
B-Scott Neal, Rumson, NJ
A-Jake Allen, Quincy, MA
15-Don Hagerl, Brutus, MI
25-Bill Allen, Quincy, MA

-1983-

D-Dennis Blumke, Alanson, MI
C-Mike Ross, Houston, TX
B-Wes Raymal, Gross Pointe Shores, MI
A-Larry Herman, Detroit, MI
15-Don Hagerl, Brutus, MI
25-David Dewald, Reading, PA

-1982-

D-Don Voisin, Charlevoix, MI
C-Mike Ross, Houston, TX
B-Wes Raymal, Gross Pointe Shores, MI
A-Larry Herman, Detroit, MI
15-Don Hagerl, Brutus, MI
25-David Dewald, Reading, PA

-1981-

D-Don Voisin, Charlevoix, MI
C-Mike Ross, Union Lake, MI
B-Vic Brinkman, Michigan Center, MI
A-Dale Vizina, Indian River, MI

-1980-

D-Don Voisin, Charlevoix, MI
C-Matt Graves, Charlotte, MI
B-Tom Nuccio, Hazlet, NJ
A-Max McPeck, Grand Ledge, MI
15-Gladys Banting, Lincoln Park, MI
25-David Dewald, Reading, PA
35-Robert Smith, Alexandria, VA

-1979-

D-Dwight Morin, Bay City, MI
C-Tom Fairbairn, Alanson, MI
B-Vic Brinkman, Michigan Center, MI
A-Mac McPeck, Grand Ledge, MI
15-Jeff Molnar, Toledo, OH
35-Gary Mesick, Trenton, MI

-1978-

D-Don Voisin, Charlevoix, MI
C-Mike Ross, Union Lake, MI
B-Vic Brinkman, Michigan Center, MI
A-Max McPeck, Grand Ledge, MI

-1977-

D-Don Voisin, Charlevoix, MI
C-Mark Andreae, Orchard Lake, MI
B-Vic Brinkman, Michigan Center, MI
15-Mike Ross, Union Lake, MI
A-Mac McPeck, Grand Ledge, MI

-1976-

D-Don Voisin, Cheboygan, MI
C-Matt Graves, Charlotte, MI
B-Mike O'Brien, Michigan Center, MI
15-Mike Ross, Union Lake, MI
A-Max McPeck, Grand Ledge, MI

-1975-1974- NO RACE-

-1973-

D-Don Voisin, Cheboygan, MI
C-Jim Fermanberg, Trenton, MI
B-Vic Brinkman, Michigan Center, MI
A-Max McPeck, Grand Ledge, MI

-1972-

D-Tom Spedding, Cheboygan, MI
C-Don Voisin, Cheboygan, MI
B-Vic Brinkman, Michigan Center, MI
A-Max McPeck, Grand Ledge, MI

-1971-

D-Bill Walters, Algonac, MI
C-Don Voisin, Cheboygan, MI
B-Vic Brinkman, Michigan Center, MI
A-Max McPeck, Grand Ledge, MI

-1970-

D-Bill Walters, Algonac, MI
C-Don Voisin, Cheboygan, MI
B-Vic Brinkman, Michigan Center, MI
A-Max McPeck, Grand Ledge, MI
36-John Finn, Muskegon, MI

-1969-

D-Bill Walters, Algonac, MI
C-Frank Glemger, Euclid, OH
B-Vic Brinkman, Michigan Center, MI
A-Max McPeck, Grand Ledge, MI
36-John Finn, Muskegon, MI

-1968-

D-Bill Walters, Algonac, MI
C-William Yates, Widdif, OH
B-Vic Brinkman, Michigan Center, MI
A-Max McPeck, Grand Ledge, MI
36-Tom Spedding, Cheboygan, MI

-1967-

D-Bill Walters, Plymouth, MI
C-Jim Zimmerman, Inkster, MI
B-Jesse T. Hill, Port Huron, MI
A-Dave Hoggard, Trenton, MI
36-Skip White, Saginaw, MI

-1966-

D-Ray Lenk, Hickory Hills, IL
C-Don Hagerl, Mullett Lake, MI
B-Jesse (Sam) Hill, Port Huron, MI
36-Jerry Van Conant, Royal Oak, MI
A-Tom Dunn, Black Lake, MI

-1965-

AU-Jim Holden, Trenton, MI
BU-Chris White, Michigan Center, MI
CU-J. Nyle Stiema, Inkster, MI
DU-Gale Cummings, Berkley, MI
36-Bob Moore, Royal Oak, MI

-1964-

D-Ray Lenk, Taylor, MI
36-Gerald Van Conant, Royal Oak, MI
C-Hunter Grimes, Alexandria Bay, NY
B-Fred Schwartz, Detroit, MI
A-Gerald Gillespie, Toledo, OH

-1963-

D-Ray Lenk, Detroit, MI
36-Bob Moore, Royal Oak, MI
C-John Martenson, Detroit, MI
B-Robert Zilka, Wyandotte, MI
A-Thomas Tom, Ft. Wayne, IN

-1962-

D-Fred Andreae, Port Huron, MI
36-Gerald Van Conant, Royal Oak, MI
C-Al Meyer, Berkley, MI
B-Jess Hill, Port Huron, MI
A-Jim Hall, Eaton Rapids, MI

-1961-

D-James Andreae, Port Huron, MI
36-Robert Lienschow, Sycamore, IL
C-John Martenson, Dearborn, MI
B-Gene Hawthorne, Jr., Royal Oak, MI
A-Lloyd Harris Oden, MI

-1960-

D-Ray Lenk, Detroit, MI
36-Bob Moore, Royal Oak, MI
C-Al Meyer, Berkley, MI
B-Fred Miller, Trenton, MI
A-Chris White, Jackson, MI

-1959-

D-Ray Lenk, Detroit, MI
36-Bob Moore, Royal Oak, MI
C-Robert Smith, Jr., Dayton, OH
B-Gene Hawthorne, Royal Oak, MI
A-Bruce Alexander, Indian River, MI & Toledo, OH

-1958-

D-Ted Moberg, Wawatosa, WI
36-Ronald Rake, Springfield, OH
C-Robert Smith, Jr., Dayton, OH
B-Gene Hawthorne, Jr., Royal Oak, MI
A-John Ellenberger, Petoskey, MI

-1957-

D-Eddie Tom, Fort Wayne, IN
C-Butch Harold Hall, Eaton Rapids, MI
B-Jack McCourtie, Michigan Center, MI
A-Robert Stanley, Petoskey, MI

-1956-

D-Eddie Tom, Fort Wayne, IN
C-Carl Clark, Lincoln Park, MI
B-Gene Hawthorne, Detroit, MI
A-Jerry Van Amber, Lansing, MI

-1955-

D-Eddie Tom, Fort Wayne, IN
36-Robert Moore, Royal Oak, MI
C-(no C's were run)
B-Jerry Van Amber, Lansing, MI
A-Wm. R. Smith, Clio, MI

-1954-

D-Frank Huebner, Bay City, MI
C-(no C's were run)
B-Jerry Van Amber, Lansing, MI
A-Ted Moberg, West Alton, WI

-1953-

D-Robert Switzer, 21, McHenry, IL
C-Al Atkinson, Wyandotte, MI
B-John Mueller, Spring Lake, MI
A-John Ellenberger, Petoskey, MI

-1952-

D-Frank Huebner, Bay City, MI
C-Bill Magel, Jackson, MI
B-Bob Switzer, 20, McHenry, IL
A-Jerry Meach, 15, Traverse City, MI

-1951-

D-Chuck Wells, Bay City, MI
C-Bill Magel, Jr., Jackson, MI
B-Gene Hawthorne, Detroit, MI
A-Bob LaChapelle, Grosse Pt., MI

-1950-

D-Bill Berry, Grand Rapids, MI
C-Gene Hawthorne, Detroit, MI
B-Howard Belknap, Lansing, MI
A-Ed Austin, Detroit, MI

-1949-

D-Lynn Crockett, Flint, MI
C-Bill Magel, Jr., Jackson, MI
B-Bill Neil, Columbus, OH
A-Don Ockerman, Grand Rapids, MI

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With roots dating back to 1909, the Burley-Corneil Agency was established in 1967 and employed four Burley family members. The company grew over the years and in 1974, our name was changed to Insurance by Burley, and we established a second location in Harbor Springs. A sturdy 100-year-old oak tree logo was selected to represent our strength, growth, and longevity.

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