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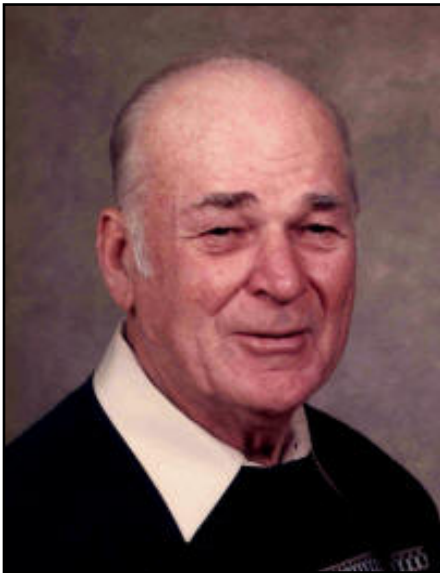
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### 1) Boat Racing Legend Bill Seibold Sr. passes away



February 2, 2007 - Bill Seibold Sr., 91, a boat racing national champion who launched a six-decade family racing dynasty, died of natural causes at 7:30 a.m. Thursday, February 1, 2007.

Mr. Seibold was a native of Granite City, Ill., and resided there until 1973, when he relocated to his 195-acre farm in Iberia, Mo. He was a long-time member of the Granite City Kiwanis Club.

Mr. Seibold, known to the boat racing community across the U.S. as "Grandpa" Seibold, was a skilled machinist who built his own boats and engines and specialized in propeller modification.

He built a runabout capable of 58 m.p.h. and began competing in regional and national boat races. In 1955 and 1956 he won championships in the C Racing Runabout and C Racing Hydro classes of the National Outboard Association. He retired from driving racing boats in 1960, but continued to serve as crew chief for his son, Bill Seibold Jr., and later grandsons Mike Seibold and Tim Seibold. All three have won national and world championships. Mr. Seibold entered the marine business in 1949, operating first out of the family basement and later from Granite City Boat & Motor on Madison Avenue. He sold the business in 1973.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made to the First Baptist Church, 3 Bonnie Drive, Iberia, Mo. 65486; or Legacy Powerboat Ministry, P.O. Box 373, Evinston, Fla. 32633.

Check out details at: [www.champboat.com](http://www.champboat.com)

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## **2) Mercury Racing Sets \$150,000 Prize Purse For 2007 Offshore Super Series**



Mercury Racing will once again support the Offshore Super Series (OSS) with a \$150,000 contingency prize purse for the 2007 racing season. The purse is to reward racers who use Mercury Racing-approved outboards and stern drives in OSS National Series events in OSS Cat Lite, OSS Vee, OSS Vee Lite and OSS Cat Outboard class competition.

In addition, OSS Super Charged Cat Class competitors using Mercury Racing-approved OSS 850 SCi engine packages will be rewarded in an additional and separate Mercury Racing promotional program. Mercury Racing will support the contingency programs by providing on-site support at all 2007 OSS race events, with the legendary Mercury Racing offshore product support truck and staff. Mercury Racing has supported OSS since its inception in 2004.

To be eligible, racers must complete a program registration form provided by Mercury Racing. The current Mercury Racing logo must be prominently displayed on each race boat.

The \$150,000 OSS contingency purse consists of a \$75,000 contingency for OSS National Series title winners and \$75,000 contingency for individual OSS National Series race event and World Championship winners. A \$75,000 purse for OSS National Series title winners will be distributed to the top five places in OSS Cat Lite, OSS Vee, OSS Vee Lite and OSS Cat Outboard classes, based on the total points each race boat accumulates in the OSS National Series during the 2007 race season.

The \$75,000 purse for the winners at each individual OSS National Series event will be distributed at OSS Cat Lite, OSS Vee, OSS Vee Lite and OSS Cat Outboard class competition. Each first place class winner using Mercury Racing-approved HP525 EFI engines and OSS class-approved stern drives, or Mercury Racing 2.5 EFI Offshore Race outboards in the OSS National Series for the 2007 racing season, will be awarded a retail value promotional credit per event. The overall World Championship title winners in these classes will also be awarded a retail value promotional credit.

### Individual First Place Winner Promotional Credit (Based on Eight Events)

- OSS Cat Lite - \$2,500 per event
- OSS Vee - \$2,500 per event
- OSS Vee Lite - \$1,250 per event
- OSS Cat Outboard - \$1,250 per event

### Overall World Championship Title Winner Promotional Credit

- OSS Cat Lite - \$5,000
- OSS Vee - \$5,000
- OSS Vee Lite - \$2,500
- OSS Cat Outboard \$2,500

### OSS National Series Total High Points (Retail Value – Promotional Credit)

OSS Cat Lite:  
1st Place - \$12,000  
2nd Place - \$6,000  
3rd Place - \$4,000  
4th Place - \$2,000  
5th Place - \$1,000

OSS Vee:  
1st Place - \$12,000  
2nd Place - \$6,000  
3rd Place - \$4,000  
4th Place - \$2,000  
5th Place - \$1,000

OSS Vee Lite:  
1st Place - \$6,000  
2nd Place - \$3,000  
3rd Place - \$2,000  
4th Place - \$1,000  
5th Place - \$500

OSS Cat Outboard:  
1st Place - \$6,000  
2nd Place - \$3,000  
3rd Place - \$2,000  
4th Place - \$1,000  
5th Place - \$500

Contact Mercury Racing Race Sales Manager Jim Goerlitz at (920) 924-2036 for additional information regarding the 2007 Offshore Super Series (OSS) contingency prize purse.

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### 3) Powerboat champ to appeal against ban



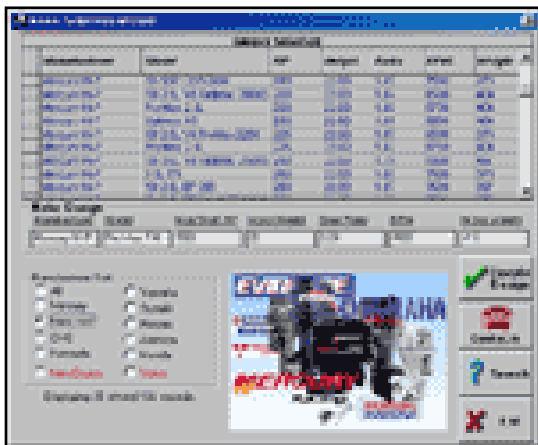
Top powerboat racer from Hampshire has appealed against the five-year ban he received for sabotaging a rival's fuel supply. Former European champion Rob Lister was stripped of his racing license after the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) ruled that he and his navigator, Will Nocker, were guilty of gross misconduct.

Officials at the RYA's headquarters in Hamble refused to reveal the exact nature of the offence. However, the two men - both members of the Fat Boy Racing Team - were reported to have poured water into a fellow competitor's fuel tank during the Liverpool Powerboat Grand Prix in September 2005. Now the

RYA has confirmed that Lister and Nocker have lodged appeals against the ban - one of the longest ever imposed in the sport. The disqualification was handed down by the RYA's Offshore Racing Committee in October last year.

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### 4) 2007 "Motor Wizard" Update for TBDP© and PropWorks2©



New 2007 Motor Wizard update (AeroMarine Research®)- Now over 450 engine choices in Motor Wizard database! With new 2007 engine spec's. [Included with "[Tunnel Boat Design©](#)" software & [PropWorks2©](#) software]. Use the New Motor Design Wizard to easily input the dimensional information for your setup. Just select your OEM engine manufacturer and highlight your model from the over 450 listed. The published manufacturers specifications are all there - Mercury Marine, Merc Hi-Performance, Bombardier Evinrude/Johnson, Yamaha, Suzuki, Nissan, Honda, Tohatsu, Mariner, Volvo, Mercruiser, Steyr, OMC, Volvo Penta. The OEM factory correct MaxHP, Height, Weight,

RPM and gear ratio will be automatically input to TBDP V7.8 and PropWorks software V2.8. [Contact AeroMarine Research®](#) for more information or your Update!

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## 5) F1 UIM calendar for 2007 announced



The UIM Formula One Powerboat World Championship has been finalized for 2007 by its promoter Nicolo Di San Germano.

There will be a full calendar of 10 races next season. The season will unfold with the opening round in Italy at the end of April, followed by the second round in Portugal in the middle of May.

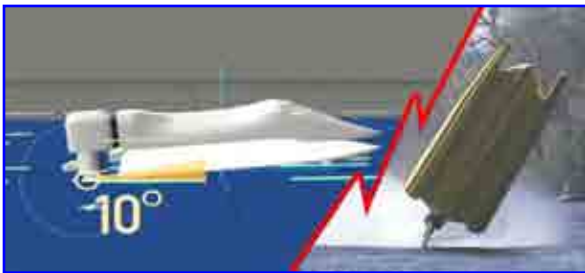
In the 25 years of the existence of Formula One powerboat racing, San Germano has been associated with the promotion of the F1 championship for the past 22 years. The Italian has an automatic running contract with the UIM for the conduct of the world series. However, in recent times, San Germano has been lured to think that the future of the Formula One series could be secure with the recently-launched World Professional Powerboat Association (WPPA).

Check out details at: [www.f1boat.com](http://www.f1boat.com)

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## 6) Powerboat Racing on TV

\*\*\* **"Thrill Zone: Extreme Powerboats"** - National Geographic powerboat show.



Author Jim Russell (Jimboat) is powerboat design technical consultant on a new National Geographic special for "Thrill Zone" series...**Watch our website for the Next Show scheduled.**

Details at: ([channel.nationalgeographic.com](http://channel.nationalgeographic.com))

Watch for other show dates on AR's website! [www.aeromarineresearch.com/NatGeo\\_thrill-zone.html](http://www.aeromarineresearch.com/NatGeo_thrill-zone.html)

\*\*\* **"Champ Boat Grand Prix Series"** - on SPEED Channel - Check for next show at: [www.champboat.com](http://www.champboat.com) or at: [www.speedtv.com](http://www.speedtv.com)

\*\*\* **"F1 World Championship TV Show"** on The Water Channel - Check it out at: [www.waterchannel.com](http://www.waterchannel.com); [see web site for other show times]

\*\*\* **NEW "War On Water" TV Show** on The Water Channel - Check it out at: [www.waterchannel.com](http://www.waterchannel.com); [see web site for other show times]

\*\*\* **"Class 1 – World Championship – 2006"** on The Water Channel - Check it out at: [www.](http://www.)



