

Round 1 & 2 - May 31 - June 1, 2003

2003 U.S. Grand National Watercross Championships

Lakeview, Ohio Season Opener

Indian Lake Recreational Park

The 2003 US Grand National Watercross Championships, is returning to Lakeview, Ohio, after taking a one-year sabbatical, on May 31 and June 1 to kick off the nations greatest personal watercraft racing tour. This will be the third year personal watercraft races have been held on Indian Lake. The event will take place at Old Field Beach, which boasts over 1,200 feet of lakefront beach and plenty of parking, so there is plenty of room for spectators to bring their family, friends, and beach chairs to enjoy an excellent view of the racecourse.



The two-day event will feature a different round each day, guaranteeing twice the water burning racing action. Each round will pit racers from all over the United States, Canada, and abroad in a head to head battle of machine and rider combinations, and with machines running at 70+ mph speeds, this event is sure to make waves. The US Grand National Watercross Championships, formally known as the Midwest Watercross Tour, have more World and National Champions than any other personal watercraft racing circuit in the world, and the two round event ensures the World and National Champions will be racing on both days. This will be the 1st of our Double Round Events. Novice & Expert will both race on Saturday & Sunday promising to fill the beach with Riders, Crew, and Spectators.

This is a beautiful race site. There is plenty of parking, with plenty of nice beach area for that perfect view of the racecourse. There is also plenty of nice clean restrooms. And this year we have the entire beach for additional rider pit area



The racers will be competing for a portion of \$50,000 in cash and prizes, points towards the overall tour championship, and the right to compete in the World Finals, the world's largest and most prestigious personal watercraft race. The US Grand National Watercross Championships will also be making stops in Pontiac, Michigan; Harbor Beach, Michigan; and Nashville, Tennessee, with the overall individual and team champions being crowned in Nashville, Tennessee. This year's tour guarantees some of the best personal watercraft racing action and fastest machines the world has ever seen.

There will be races featuring personal watercraft of all makes, models, and degrees of modification separated into multiple skill levels ranging from Beginner to Pro. New racers or those who are interested in racing personal watercraft are welcome and encouraged to attend and participate. The two round format is perfect for people who want to try racing their personal watercraft, because it provides an excellent opportunity to quickly gain race experience by racing in two rounds in less than 48 hours. You can experience and learn about the races on Saturday, and race on Sunday. If you are interested in racing your personal watercraft, please visit the Website, watercross.com and click on the "Event Registration" link for important information on participation.



The track features one of the only split courses used in the United States, and the top-level ski riders will be required to negotiate an equally rare log jump. The freestyle competition will be held from 1:00 to 2:00pm, *all times are estimated*. In this event, riders perform mind blowing aerial acrobatics, and amazing displays of their control of their machine. Some of the favorite stunts include 60 ft water fountains, submarines, and aerial barrel rolls. This event is a sure crowd pleaser.

The event will also be hosting the first event of the 2nd annual Go-Ped Triple Crown Series sponsored by Rec Motorsports. This event promises hot pavement racing action with high flying jumps, doubles, and tight turns that are sure to please the crowd. As kneepads are optional, road-rash is a guarantee. Practice will start Saturday afternoon, and the race will take place on Saturday evening in the parking lot at Old Field Beach.

Indian Lake is famous for year-round recreation; offering beaches, boating bicycle trails, hiking, hunting and other outdoor activities. The event will take place at beautiful Old Field Beach, which is a first class facility with over 1,200 feet of sandy beach.

The 5,800 acre lake offers unlimited horsepower boating, excellent inland lake sailing prospects, and features boat ramps and boat docks for rent. Water Skiing is popular in the open zone area. Weekend tournaments draw fishing boats and fishing enthusiasts from many parts of the state. Indian Lake is the only inland lake in Ohio with lighted buoys for night navigation. The area is famous for year around recreation offering beaches, bicycle trails, hiking, camping, fishing, state park facilities, hunting, snowmobiling, ice skating and ice boating. Volunteers work diligently to keep the waters of Indian Lake beautiful. Unique resort homes, fine condominium living, lakeside residences, and other waterfront real estate line the various shores and can be seen when touring by boat. Scenic auto touring around the many islands and peninsulas reveal beautiful natural habitats. Several popular restaurants are accessible by both land and water. Opportunities abound at Indian Lake. Shopping for unique gifts made by our local talent plus other available services make Indian Lake a great place to live, spend a vacation, bring a loved one, enjoy your R.V., rent an island or a cottage, have a retreat

or enjoy a honeymoon! Surrounded by the villages of Lakeview, Russells Point, Huntsville, Belle Center and Roundhead, Indian Lake is the number one place to be in Ohio. With all this event has to offer, there is plenty of entertainment for the whole family to enjoy. Don't miss the chance to come out and see some of the summer's hottest racing action while spending a day at the beach. For further information please contact the US Grand National Watercross Championships Website at: watercross.com

2003 Grand National Go-Ped Championships:

All Go-Ped participants must become a IGPA member. A (1) day Membership is available for a \$15.00 fee. A Yearly Membership is available for \$45.00 that includes a T-Shirt, and Racing Number Plate. Go-Ped Entry Fee's are \$30.00 for the 1st class, and \$25.00 for each additional Class. The Pee Wee non-motorized Class is \$5.00.

Watercross Racing Format:

Rounds 1-2 Lakeview, OH - Both Novice, and Expert Classes will run 2 moto's on Saturday, and 2 moto's on Sunday

Round 1 – Round 4 Schedule Lakeview, Ohio

Saturday Schedule of Events

*All Novice Closed Course Qualifying & Final Events
Novice Slalom, Amateur, Expert, Pro-Am & Pro Closed
Course Qualifying and Final Events. Amateur, Expert, Pro-Am
Amateur Freestyle Events.*

7:00 am - 8:00 am Technical Inspection & Rider Check In
8:00 am - 8:30 am Mandatory Riders Meeting
8:30 am - 10:00 am Closed Course Practice
10:00 am - 2:00 pm Go-Ped Sign Up & Rider Check in
10:00 am - 5:00 pm Closed Course Racing
10:00 am - 12:00 am Slalom Course Open
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Amateur Freestyle
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Go-Ped Practice
4:00 pm - 7:30 pm Go-Ped Racing
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Awards Ceremony
8:00 pm - Racer's Party

Sunday Schedule of Events

*All Novice Closed Course Qualifying & Final Events
Novice Slalom, Amateur, Expert, Pro-Am & Pro Closed
Course Qualifying and Final Events
Amateur, Expert, Pro-Am Slalom Events, Amateur Freestyle*

7:00 am - 8:00 am Technical Inspection & Rider Check In
8:00 am - 8:15 am Mandatory Riders Meeting **for Riders who did not Race on Saturday ONLY.**
8:30 am - 9:00 am Closed Course Practice
9:00 am - 5:00 pm Closed Course Racing
10:00 am - 12:00 pm Slalom Course Open for all Novice, Amateur, & Expert Classes
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Amateur Freestyle
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Awards Ceremony

Hotel Information:

watercross.com

Hotels

Best Western (419) 738-8181
Day's Inn (419) 738-2184

Camping: You are allowed to camp on site but there are only bathrooms and no showers.

Directions to site: Take I-75 to Wapakoneta Exit 110 and then go East on State Route 33. Take State Route 235 and go North. Go 1 ½ Miles and the park will be on the right hand side.

Directions to Hotels: Take I-75 to Wapakoneta Exit 111 hotels right off exit

Other Information: *All Riders will be required to pay a \$10.00 site fee at registration.* This money will go to Indian Lake Recreational Park. Alcohol will be prohibited on the race site.

Go-Ped Classes:

10:00 am – 2:00 pm Rider Signup
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Practice
(All Riders must be signed up and registered to practice on the race course)
4:00 pm - 7:30 pm Racing

1. Pee Wee Non-Motorized
2. Junior Sport
3. Junior Big Foot
4. Women's Open
5. Beginner IROC
6. Amateur IROC
7. Amateur Sport
8. Amateur Big Foot
9. Veteran Open (35+)
10. PWCR IROC
11. PWCR Sport
12. PWCR Big Foot
13. Open Pro-Am 30cc Hard Tire
14. Open Pro-Am 60cc Air Tire



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