## Congratulations Rob Dixon APBA "A" Stock Hydro National Champion

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Congratulations to MLAOC member Rob Dixon on winning the 2016, APBA National Championship in "A" Stock Hydroplane. The APBA Nationals were held first week of August on Bluestone Lake, Hinton, West Virginia. There were 28 boats entered in the extremely competitive "A" Stock Hydro class. This required two elimination heats with 12 boats in each heat to determine who would qualify for the two heat final. Since the 2015 National Champion and various divisional winners were pre-qualified for the final, only eight spots were open.



Rob Dixon running at Gravenhurst

Rob not only qualified for the final but set the fastest time of all boats running in the elimination heats.

The National Championship was determined by the total points scored in the two heat final. Rob placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the first heat but came through with a big win in the second heat scoring a total of 569 points and winning the APBA National Championship.



Rob Dixon, APBA National Champion, with his Sidewinder hydro & Merc "A" stock motor. This outfit has a top speed of 58 mph.