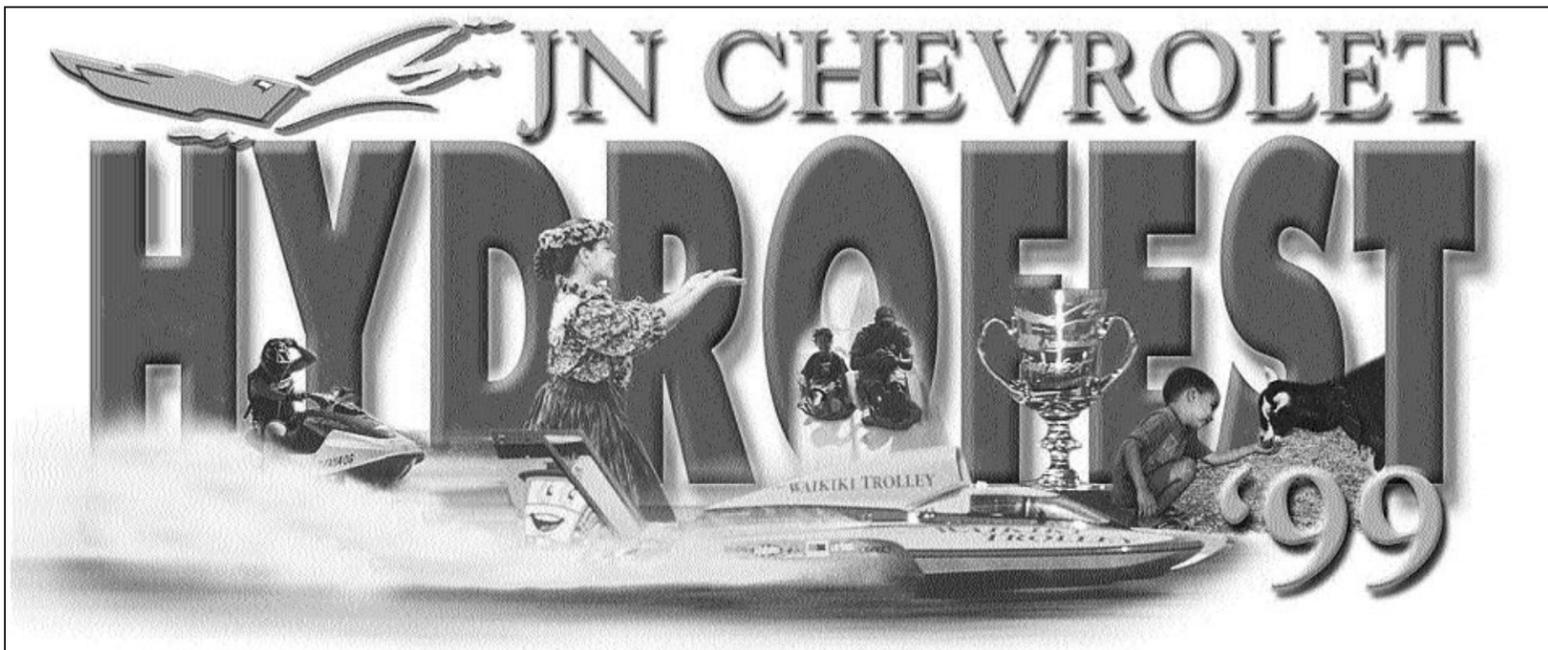


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## U-10 Returns to Hawaii, plans on a "Three-Repeat"

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The U-10 Unlimited Hydroplane race team returns to Hawaii this week as defending champion of the JN Automotive Hydrofest. The waters of Pearl Harbor are the perfect setting for this race team to close its first full year of the Unlimited Hydroplane racing competition. The chance to repeat last year's performance is certainly high on the agenda for the Las Vegas based team owned by Kim and Debbie Gregory.

Currently third in National points, the team enjoys a 1,953 point lead over the U-2 Freddie's Club" and is mathematically secure in their ranking. At the beginning of the race season, Kim Gregory stated he would be pleased to place within the top five in the points.

The U-10 race team is already ahead of the game plan and the team plans to continue the momentum when they arrive in Pearl Harbor on Thursday. "Three-Repeat"

is the team mantra for this weekend as the U-10 was also the Hawaiian champion in 1997 with Mark Tate in the cockpit.

Last year in Hawaii, racing in only their third Unlimited Hydro event, the U-10 team proved they had put together the right combination of racing equipment and driver. Consistent performance and smart driving on the part of Mark Weber enabled the Gregory's to capture their first Unlimited Hydroplane championship.

Weber has proven he knows the intricacies of the dance required with the starting clock.

Throughout the 1999 season he has continually demonstrated his ability to have the race boat in the right place at the right time on the race-course. And with his impeccable timing and finesse to consistently capture the all-important "lane one", Weber has kept the U-10 race boat in the hunt all season.

It won't be so easy this weekend. With Chip

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Speed boats and their drivers will be on display at this weekend's hydrofest event. Spectators will be treated to static and mobile displays like this high-powered water craft.



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The festival atmosphere boasts a carnival midway, live entertainment, family games, exhibits, food booths and more! Visitors will also have the opportunity to tour the historic battleship USS Missouri.



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Military displays (above) offer spectators a inside look into military aircraft and equipment. (Left) Hydrofest's main draw is its powerful speed boats that churn up a 'rooster tail' of water 40 feet into the air.