

Winning boat adorned with trophies...

Boat races are won by Kettering drivers

From among eight possible first place winners in the National Inboard Championship boat races held at Lake Niagara June 28, three of the coveted trophies went to Kettering men.

Crossing the finish line first in the seven liter class was Dave Thomas, of 2284 Los Arrow Dr., piloting a super charged Hemi-powered boat

owned by Les Brown of Chicago, Ill.

Ron Brunner, driving a 145-cubic-inch powered boat owned by C. C. Kritzer, of 2809 Royalston Dr., won first place in his class. Mr. Brunner drove the same boat to a victory in Celina Sunday.

In the 225-cubic-inch class, Gene Whipp, a 10-year veteran of boat racing, brought home a trophy. Mr. Whipp lives at 410 Witherby Dr.

The annual race was sponsored jointly by the Tri Club Boat Racing Association and the Eric County Parks and Recreation Department. An estimated 125,000 fans watched the final heats.