# EDINA MODEL YACHT CLUB SAIL & SCALE NEWSLETTER

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# ANOTHER GREAT PARADE OF BOATS!

The Parade of Boats was again blessed by great weather, in spite of grim forecasts. Puffy clouds in a blue sky, along with plenty of sun, made for a great display of members' boats on the Center Pond. As the weather improved, the crowd increased and showed their appreciation for the boats on the water with frequent applause. The perennial favorites like the Popeye Party barge and Theodore the Tugboat were there, along with Jose and Donna Medina's mega -models, including the Mighty Mo. Two 1/24 scale brigs cruised the pond, and numerous broadsides from the brig Syren boomed out during the show. The fast electric display was great, looking almost like it was choreographed for action and thrills. The PT boats and military models were crowd pleasers, too.

Over 130 boats were put on display by club members, really filling up the Centrum building and providing a full on-the-water schedule.

Many thanks are in order (forgive the editor for any omissions): thanks to Mark Anderson of H2O Hobbies and his wife for sloppy joes and sides, Paul and Micky for beverages and donuts, Doug Person for manning the membership table even though not feeling very well at all, Fred for "pinning" everyone, Tim Smalley for announcing, John Bishop and Dale Johnson for photo documentation, to all who helped set up and tear down and to special lowa guests Jose and Donna. Thanks also to Commodore Al, who's frequent laugh could be heard above the crowd and kept us all in the "parade" mood. Thanks, too, to every member who loaded up one, two, three and even many more model boats to display in the show. YOU made the Parade!







#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Duluth Maritime Festival - Tall Ships Sub Regatta 2008 Duluth Harbor Carmel, Indiana August 1 - 3, 2008 August 2 - 3, 2008



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#### COMMODORE'S CORNER



By Al Bickford

Changes: in politics; changes at the gas pump; changes in the housing market. And as you can see, changes

with our Sail and Scale.

After serving our club for over 5 years as editors and printers - formatting pages, gathering pictures, writing content, printing, folding and stapling, addressing and delivering the whole thing to the Centennial offices for mailing - all at negligible cost to the club - Dale Johnson and Alex Raupp are both taking a well deserved break from these duties. Both have earned our thanks for putting together what has become a premier publication in our hobby world. Thanks, guys - and Smooth Sailing to you both.

So, of course, that means there have been changes with this newsletter. Dan Lewandowski has stepped in as our editor, and in the meantime, the Board began a search for a reliable and inexpensive printer. Impress (at Office Max) seems to fit the bill for quick turnaround and affordable cost - about \$45 per month. To further save on cost, color headings will have to be sacrificed, and I'll pick up the folded and stapled newsletters, apply address labels and deliver them for mailing.

You'll be reading this Commodore's Corner after the Parade of Boats so Dan can include pictures and articles on the event. Please let us know what you think of the changes. We'll be "trimming the sails" for a while, but that's sailing... And hopefully at the Parade you've all had... Smooth sailing -Al Bickford

#### DAVY JONES' LOCKER



By Tigh A. Bohlein

The origin of the tale of "Davy Jones" is unclear, and many explanations related to the phrase have been proposed:

There was an actual David Jones, who was a pirate on the Indian Ocean in the 1630s, but most scholars agree that he was not renowned enough to gain such lasting global fame.

A British pub owner is referenced in the 1594 song "Jones's Ale is Newe." He supposedly threw drunken sailors into his ale locker and then dumped them onto any passing ship. There was also a Duffer Jones, a notoriously myopic sailor who often found himself overboard..

Welsh sailors would call upon Saint David for protection in times of mortal danger. Some also think Davy Jones is simply another name for Satan.

The name also may have come from Deva, Davy or Taffy, a reference to an evil spirit. Davy may also stem from Duppy, a West Indian term for a malevolent ghost, or else, perhaps, from Saint David, also known as Dewi, a Welsh sea god and also the patron saint of Wales.

There is also the "Jonah" theory. Jonah became the "evil angel" of all sailors, as the biblical story of Jonah involved his shipmates realizing Jonah was an unlucky sailor and cast him overboard. It is therefore a possibility that "Davy Jones" grew from the root "Devil Jonah" - the devil of the seas.

Upon death, a wicked sailor's body supposedly went to Davy Jones's locker, but a holy sailor's soul went to Fiddler's Green.

Not all traditions dealing with Davy Jones are fearful. When crossing the Equatorial line, a "raucous and rowdy" initiation is presided over by those who previously crossed the line, known as shellbacks, or Sons of Neptune. The eldest shellback is King Neptune, and his assistant is Davy Jones.



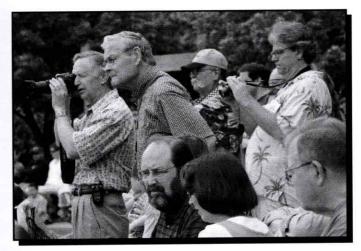


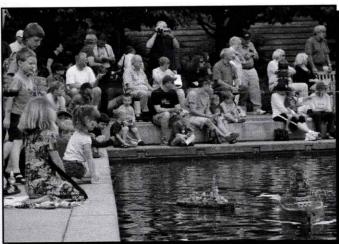
I have three fantastic catalogues filled with clothing choices you can select to have embroidered by Team Mates, Egan.

Embroidery options include our club logo and/or burgee with your name, boat name, number, etc.

Fly your colors...EMYC!!

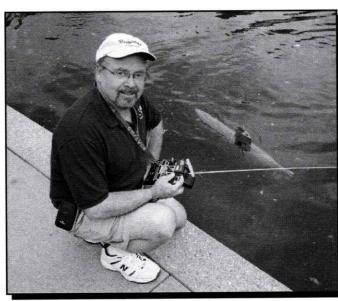
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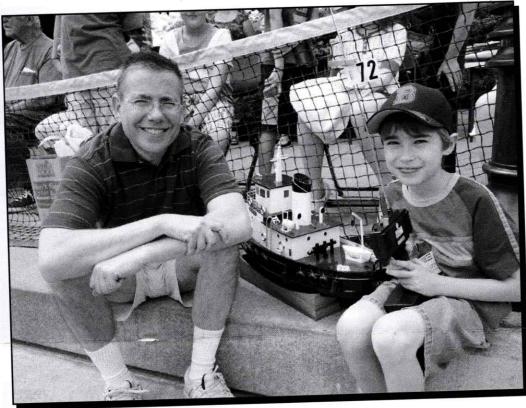




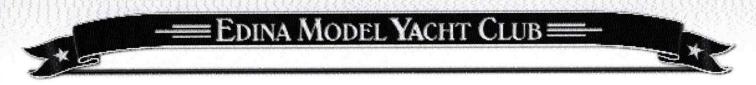




# FOTO FEST - "AT THE PARADE"







#### MAY MEETING REPORT

#### By Don Westley, Secretary

Doug Person informed the group of an EMYC mention in an article in the Centennial Lakes Quarterly Newsletter.

Newsletter issues were discussed. The current printer, who has generously provided us printing services for several years at very little cost, cannot continue providing this service. A new printer must be found, and subsequent printing costs will probably increase. Also, the color printing paper stock presently used is almost depleted and will no longer be available. Any future printed newsletters will be done in black & white due to costs. Electronic newsletter publication was discussed as an alternative. That would enable new capabilities, such as color pictures and graphics, easier and more efficient production, inclusion of videos, and other enhancements as well as being much more economical.

Discussion of the upcoming Parade of Boats was opened with the display of the excellent full color, glossy, large format posters created by Dale Johnson. A poll was taken to determine member interest in the purchase of these posters, which are suitable for framing, if more could be obtained.

It was noted that the Parade of Boats Event would be the last opportunity to pay dues to continue EMYC membership.

Ray Meifert displayed his latest "crash boat" project, a model that was scratch built on a 40" hull from an Alco PT boat. This model depicts a type of Emergency Rescue Boat that was used by the Navy in Korea until 1963.

Wayne Snyder displayed a carrier configuration that he created to efficiently consolidate airbrush apparatus, including the CO2 tank, compressor and airbrush into one unit.

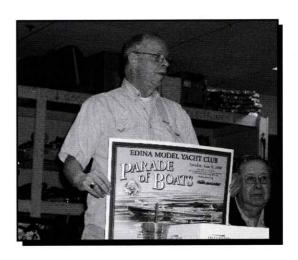
Mark Anderson and Andre Lien of H2O Hobbies displayed their four foot, 1:144 scale, exquisitely detailed model of the USS

The ship was minutely detailed with a superstructure constructed entirely of brass and copper on a fiberglass hull.

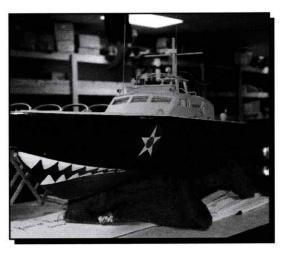
Tony Johnson and Joe Steel recently participated in a round of races in Kohler, Wisconsin. This Footy racing event was organized by the Sheboygan Model Yacht Club. Tony displayed his crack racing abilities by winning six heats.

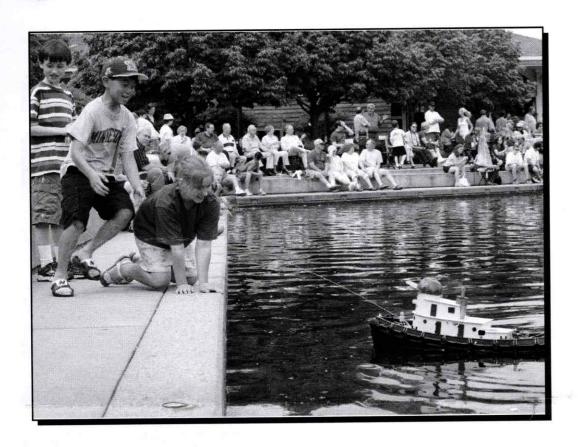
Dick Walker discussed his attendance at an annual model show in Racine. Wisconsin. This was a juried show comprising of approximately 50 models which were displayed at the Wisconsin Maritime Museum in Manitowac, Wisconsin.

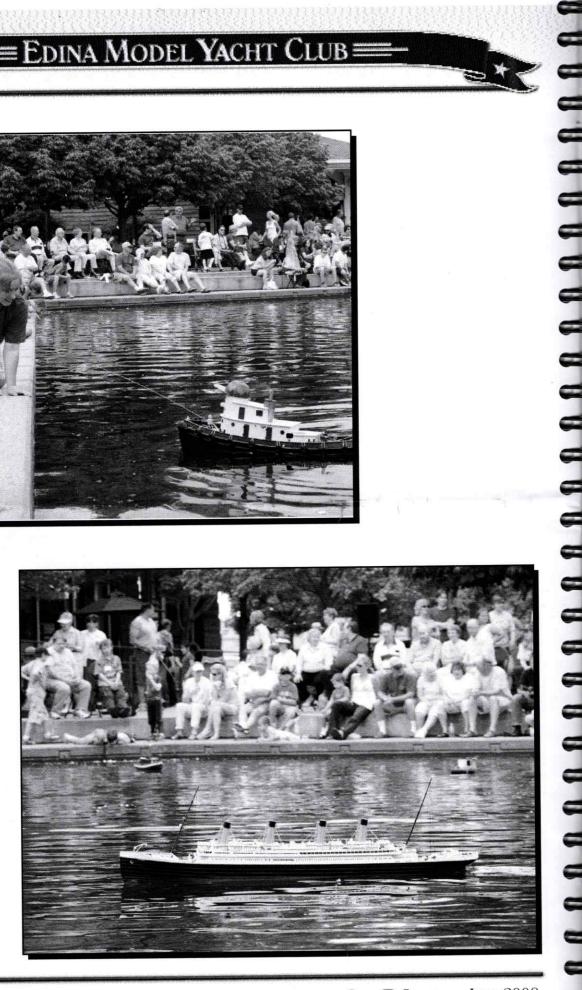
#### **May Meeting Pictures**



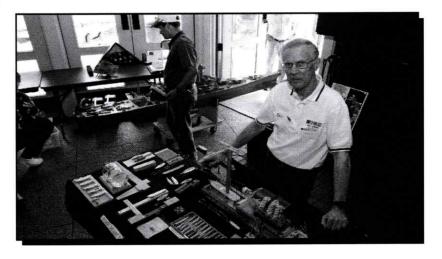


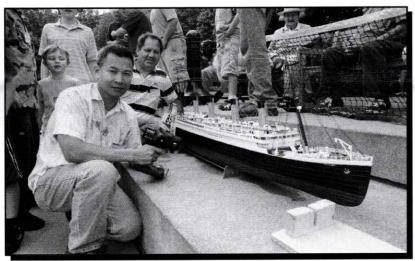


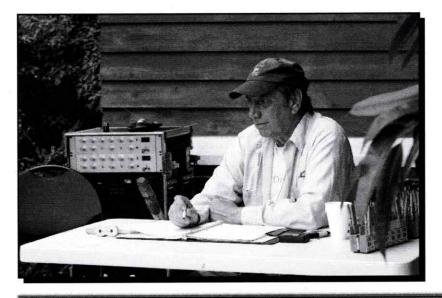




#### 2008 PARADE PICTURES







#### SPECIAL THANKS

To all the members that contributed to this issue of the Sail & Scale.

Al Bickford, Dale Johnson, Tigh A. Bohline, and John Bishop for all the pictures, and Don Westley.

#### **Items For Sale:**

**Fairwind.** Price negotiable. Brian -

**Futaba Tx.** Unused, batteries and two servos. Asking \$45.

John -



For Sale: Luxury Yacht Maltese Falcon Only 100 Million Euros

Contact: Erin Meisail

# CLUB SHIRTS HATS ETC. Contact:

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## JUNE MEETING

Tuesday, June 17, 2008 7:00 P.M. CENTENNIAL LAKES GARAGE BAND ROOM

#### AGENDA:

Discuss Parade of Boats Show'n'Tell

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