



SAIL & SCALE

NEWSLETTER OF THE EDINA MODEL YACHT CLUB

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Commodore's Corner: Don Bentfield, president of the Minnesota Association of Aeromodeling Clubs (MAAC), sent his thanks to the EMYC for a good job at the Apache Mall show. I would like to thank Tom Shirley for the use of the VCR and TV and club members: Bottemiller (Sr.), Edge, Kiriara, McCabe, Olsen and Smith for responding on very short notice to a call for help in staffing the club booth. We had a good looking display! Good boating! *Dick Kjellberg*

Don't Panic: Attendees at the March meeting were stunned by the sight of a completely dry lake bed at Centennial. Rejoice! The south pond is now refilled and is ready for a heavy influx of watercraft.

Meeting Time: The Board would like to restate the intention that club business will be held to a minimum this year. All business will be accomplished commencing at 6:30 PM on each regularly scheduled meeting night (third Tuesday) at the customary meeting place. All members are encouraged to attend. Occasionally, business may run over into the 7:00 PM start time of the enjoyable portion of the gathering, but all effort will be made to keep this to a minimum.

Luxurious and Fashionable: That's how the word "posh" is described by *Webster*, and note is made that it is from British slang. Doug Campbell informed me that it refers to the preference of British elite to choose "port out, starboard home" bookings on their India passage. They consequently had a better view, and not incidentally, a shaded accommodation!

12-M: Word from *Waterlines*, the newsletter of the Greater Seattle Yacht Club is that there is a new master plug for the "12 Meter Model Yacht Class" (old EC-12) in the making. Ozmun will get the digitally faired plug first, then Worth Marine. All 12-M hulls built after July 1, 1995 will come from this plug. If you want to spend your bucks for a 12, better wait 'till July!

First Outing: April 2nd saw the first outdoor gathering of the new year. Twenty members showed up for some fun in the sun (and wind!). Thanks to all who made the effort to attend.

Good Buy, Jim: Member, Jim Colehour is moving to Fargo, ND, and has a *Fairwind* kit for sale. Some work has been done, however it needs rigging and radio gear. The price is right, at \$100! Call Jim at [REDACTED]

Builder's Corner: By now, your winter project is probably showing some sign of needing a finish. This month we will discuss finishing your model, painting in particular. From the fine points of surface preparation to the finish coat. Paints, varnishes and equipment are all to be discussed. April, "Hot Tip": A good source for detailed finishing parts is your local doll house shop. Try 'The Miniature Merchant', at Bandana . *Jeff McCabe*

Upcoming Events: All scheduled at South Pond.

Apr.30 •Sailing with toy boaters	11 AM until 2 PM
May20 •Tune up, Start up Regatta,	9 AM until 1 PM
Jun.11 •Parade of Model Boats	11 AM until 7 PM
Jun.29 •Handicap Sailing	6 PM until 7 PM

Steam Heat!: I've missed Glenn Anderson around the ol' meeting hall throughout the Winter months, so I gave him a ring to find out about his latest project. It seems that the little Midwest steam engine he acquired last year was "burning a hole in his pocket". He just had to build another steamer! He is constructing an 18" model of a very early "Great Lakes Fishing Tug", a predecessor of his *Hildegard*. These boats were developed from lake hotel steam launches which were sold very cheaply, or abandoned when the hotels faded away around the turn of the century. The launches were fitted with heavy canvas wave deflectors for use outside of their designed, sheltered water, environment. This modification evolved into the deckless, diesel versions of later years. I look forward to seeing this latest creative effort, Glenn!

Renewal Time?: Not quite yet. But if you'd like to beat the rush and ease Gary's workload a bit, please take advantage of the enclosed membership renewal form and re-up for '95. If you renew now, you will be assured of being listed on the summer membership list. If there is no renewal form in your newsletter, then you are already a member for the new club year. Last year's membership cards are good through July.

Thank You!: Members contributions to the newsletter this month are greatly appreciated. I have several items "left over" for next month. Thanks! (Ed.)

Don't Forget!: We have invited participants of the Hopkins show to join our boating session on Sunday, April 30th, from 11 AM until 2 PM. Please Come!

May Newsletter Deadline: May 2nd.

Membership Meeting, 3/21/95: (As a result of the Centrum building being locked until about 6:45 PM, the Board meeting was delayed until after the regular meeting). 7:00PM: (29 members in attendance) J.McCabe gave presentation on batteries and chargers. J.Bishop spoke on wiring and electrical circuits. Show 'n tell: P.Olsen displayed his four foot *Baby Bootlegger*, under construction. K.Bottemiller showed his foam box model holder (see article elsewhere in this issue) and *Seguin*, under construction. J.Bishop displayed his *Olsen* tug, also under construction. R.Lund made a pitch for his 12 week class on pattern and model making. As general membership meeting continued, the Commodore called the **Board Meeting** to order at 8:40PM.: R.Peter spoke to Board regarding the 914 Nationals. He wanted to know what should be done with any "profit" from the event. Board members were more concerned with the possibility of loss rather than profit. Board asked for an estimate of cost of event. Unknown at this time. Ralph said that he expected at least 40 entrants with an entrance fee of \$20 each (\$800). Dinner would be about an additional \$25 per person. Board

authorized the expense of up to \$200 of club money as working capital, to be paid back when available. Motion was made by Ralph for "broad sponsorship" of the event. Voted down. Ralph then made motion for limited sponsorship by only Worth Marine and/or AG Industries (distributor and importer of 914). Approved. Commodore stipulated that Board be informed of what these potential sponsors require in return for their support. Ralph requested authorization to secure "cups, hats and shirts" for the event. Board voted to table that request until later, after additional information is made available. Board directed R.Peter to have club advertising poster mock-up (8.5"x11") available for review at April meeting with the intention of placing approximately 18 in hobby shops in the near future. Meeting was interrupted by park employee requesting that the building be vacated. J.Smith presented letters to Board in reference to Parade of Boats donor letters and Toy and Model Boat Show on April 29 and club's sail with participants on April 30.

Board Meeting. Adjourn 10:00PM



Parade of Model Boats: The March meeting didn't leave much time to discuss our upcoming model boat show so here are a few of the details for everyone to read.

The Edina Model Yacht Club will host it's 4th Parade of Model Boats show on Sunday, June 11th, 1995. The event will take place from 11:00 AM until 7:00 PM with the initial setup being held before the doors open at 11:00 AM. The show will include, as before, both an extensive indoor display and an outdoor running program that repeats itself several times during the day. We expect over 100 boats to be present and the largest turnout of club members for any event of the year. Please come as early and stay as late as you would like. Once again, the Symphonic Winds orchestral group will perform at 7:00 PM. Mark this date on your calendar so you won't miss out on any of the activities. Sunday, June 11th was chosen so as to minimize the conflict with personal plans.

The Parade is a great social event, an event where we bring the hobby of model boating to life for the general public. Once again, the main emphasis of this show will be to have fun. It's an opportunity to meet new members, chat with old friends, and show the public what we do as a group.

We are hoping for another great day of weather on June 11th. The Parade is a rain or shine event: if it does rain, the show will continue inside as an indoor display within the Centrum building. Everyone enjoys the show and tell portion of our monthly meetings so much we feel as though the indoor display serves as one big show and tell event in itself. The outdoor running events will offer plenty of opportunities for everyone to run their boats, both in open boating and in common class time slots. Of course everyone is invited and encouraged to participate in the Parade finale (showing and describing each boat individually in parade fashion) held from 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Best of all, we always receive a lot of positive feedback from our rapport with the public. Let's make it another great event!

Thanks to those of you who approached me at the last meeting and offered to help out for the upcoming Parade. I'll be asking people for help in specific areas at the next meeting and if you can't make it and would like to help out, please call me at [REDACTED]. The specific areas of planning include Parade show setup, advertising, outdoor running schedule, indoor display, and frequency control. We'll discuss and review some of these items at next month's meeting and finalize all aspects of the Parade of Model Boats at May's meeting. Parade flyers are being printed at this time.

John Bishop

Hobby-related: The next time you stop in at the Richfield Hub Hobby store, take a look at my N-scale railroad buildings on display, modeled after an 1880s mining town. In completing the old western structures, I've worked with thinned down paints, "dry-brushing" techniques, and pastel chalks to achieve naturally weathered and worn-looking results. I've been working on weathering these structures in preparation for the finishing details of my 36" tugboat. I'm happy with the outcome and plan to use many similar techniques in finishing my tug's hull, top deck, pilot and cabin house, and roof structures. The models are located in a glass case on the east wall of the store next to a variety of airliner models. They should be on display through the end of June. John Bishop

Boat Show: Our club has secured one 8 foot table at the "Toy & Model Boats Show".

(Admission is still \$2 for adults) As of early April, over 45 of the 54 available tables have been sold, so it does appear that there is a considerable bit of interest in miniature boats. We expect to display several models and will distribute club information sheets to visitors. Bring a boat or two and join in the display and/or the competition.

Eisenhower Community Center is located on Hwy. 7, between Hwy.169 & Int.494.

There will be a side trip to Paul Mikkelsen's full sized and toy boat museum in Willmar following the show. Seating on the charter bus is on a first come, first served basis. Cost is \$15.

Participants have been invited to visit Centennial Lakes on Sunday, April 30th from 11AM until 2PM and operate with the EMYC. All members are encouraged to join in this informal affair. It will be a rare treat to see vintage and toy boats operating alongside R/C boats at our lovely home port.

The ice is out and the water is warm(ing). Come on out!



4th ANNUAL WORLD OF TOY & MODEL BOATS SHOW-SWAP MEET SAT. APRIL 29, 1995 Eisenhower Community Center 1001 Highway 7, Hopkins, Minnesota For Information Call Paul: 612-935-5700

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 8 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.
Admission \$2.00

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TABLES
Wall
\$20⁰⁰ ea.
Island
\$15⁰⁰ ea.
2' X 8'
DEALER SETUP
6 A.M. - 8 A.M.

TROPHIES/AWARDS 1,2,3
Boat Model Contests
R/C boats, Static boats
Best of Show, Peoples Choice
Entry \$5 first boat, \$2 ea. after

FEATURING Toy Boats, R/C
Gas, R/C Elec., Sailboats,
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kinds, manufactures display.
Dealers and collectors here -
Bring yours to trade or sell



RESTRICTED TO BOATS AND MARINE RELATED PRODUCTS

Hull Platform Suggestions: Model boats of two feet or more in length can get quite ungainly when it is time in the construction process to fiberglass, paint or attach shear rails or other construction details that involve the length of the boat.

As a rough stand for use when building such a boat, I have used half a styrofoam box of the type used to ship frozen steaks (Omaha Steaks). I am sure that any radio or appliance store would have available similar packing forms used to ship TVs, VCRs, radios, etc. I cut a rough Vee shape on opposite ends of the box and find that the hull nestles into the indentation quite snugly and it provides a stable platform.

When working on the bottom of the hull, it can be laid across the top of the box in the opposite direction. When fiberglass or paint is being applied, I run a narrow strip of wood across the Vee and invert the hull on it to minimize contact with working surfaces.

When the hull is complete, a boat stand can be built that will not have to go through the rigors of the construction process and the styrofoam box can be discarded or reused on your next project. I have used this technique with the last three hulls I have built and offer it for whatever application others can find.

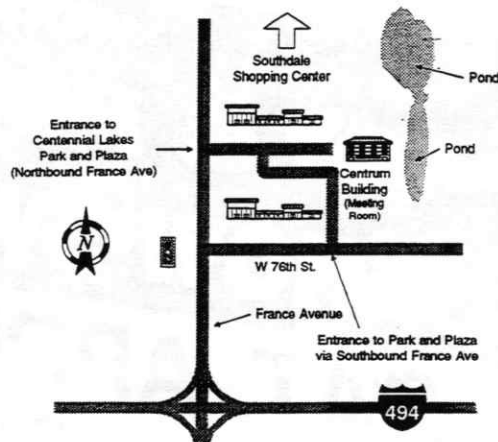
Karl Bottemiller

Good by Columbus!: Two models of the *Santa Maria* are are looking for a new home. Richard Gusmundsen [redacted] s a fifteen inch display model, which needs re rigging, built about the turn of the century, for \$100; and a \$120 Model Expo kit for fifty.

April Meeting Notice:

(Third Tuesday of the Month)
Tuesday, APR. 18th
7:00 P.M.

Following the Open Board Meeting at
6:30 P.M.
Centrum Building



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