



# SAIL & SCALE

NEWSLETTER OF THE EDINA MODEL YACHT CLUB

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**Commodore's Corner:** While it would appear that the weather is unable to read the calendar this year, those of us who can, are beginning to go a little crazy waiting for Mother Nature to get her act together. Fred & Terry were able to get the Poker Rally in, by one day. The weather for the Poker Rally was just about perfect, if a little chilly. But at least the blizzard held off for one day, and allowed those of us who showed up, a wonderful day for sailing. I want to congratulate Terry Mackey for his first place win, Mikio Kirhara for winning the best poker hand, and of course Ron Bongard for winning the Prestigious DAL Award.

For a short time I had a very good shot at winning the DAL Award myself, but my boat sheared its rudder horn, and I totally lost all steering control, and was forced to drop out of the race. For that matter, when my boat sheared its rudder horn, the first thing that it did was to pile itself into the nearest wall at full speed, trying to make the pond a little bigger. As a result the damages pretty much totaled the old Seawind, the sails are all that are salvageable right now. The good news is that I now have a project for this next winter rebuilding the Seawind, while the bad news is that I no longer have a boat for this summer unless my wife will risk letting me use one of hers.

On another note, to those members who were trying to shorten the meeting last month. The meeting is not officially over until after the show 'n' tell. Last month a couple of members who brought boats to show off were not allowed to do so, and I hope that they will bring back their boats this month, and try again. In the future I hope that all members will wait to break up the meeting until after everyone has had the opportunity to share with the rest of us their projects. *Happy sailing to all, and to all good luck . . . Mike*

**Feeling Competitive?:** The 26th Annual Wisconsin Maritime Museum Model Ships & Boats Contest, sponsored by Seaways? Ships in Scale magazine is scheduled to take place from August 9th - 11th, 2002 at the museum in Manitowoc, WI.

Competitive categories are: I - Scratch Built Models, II Kit Models, III Operational Models, IV Dioramas, V Nautical Crafts.

An additional feature this year will be an opportunity to spend overnight Saturday onboard the WWII submarine, USS Cobia at a cost of only \$25 per person (\$80 for a family of four).

Call the museum at (920) 684-0218 for more information and/or reservations...there is obviously a limited amount of space on das boot!!! *Jim Smith*

We have received notice that member Jene Sigvertsen has passed away on March 26, 2002

**I stumbled across this site.** <http://www.mhsd.org/model/>  
Their message board is especially interesting, especially for scale builders. I think that it would be worth passing the word. *Jim Smith*

**May Seminar Topic:** This month's building-related information deals with adhesives. Dave Bros and John Bishop will provide you with information and available products used in securing and bonding items together. There are a variety of products out on the market and these two club members will give you a look into some of their favorites. Stop by for an informative look into this topic.

**Parade of Model Boats 2002:** Final preparations are now being made for this year's show. Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> is the date and the setup begins at 9:00AM. Please see the two pages of detailed information contained within this newsletter for all of the pertinent items. A brief review of this show will be discussed during the May meeting. Please contact John Bishop [REDACTED] if you have any questions or special interests relating to this show.

**Show-and-Tell:** Please plan to bring your modeling projects to the May meeting. A short period of time is allowed at the end of each meeting for a review of current boat building projects. Your 5 minute review may give other club members ideas or insight into their own project.

**Corrections:** As result of including the membership roster in last months newsletter, I have been informed of a couple of errors that my computer has made. Please make the following corrections to your copies of the roster

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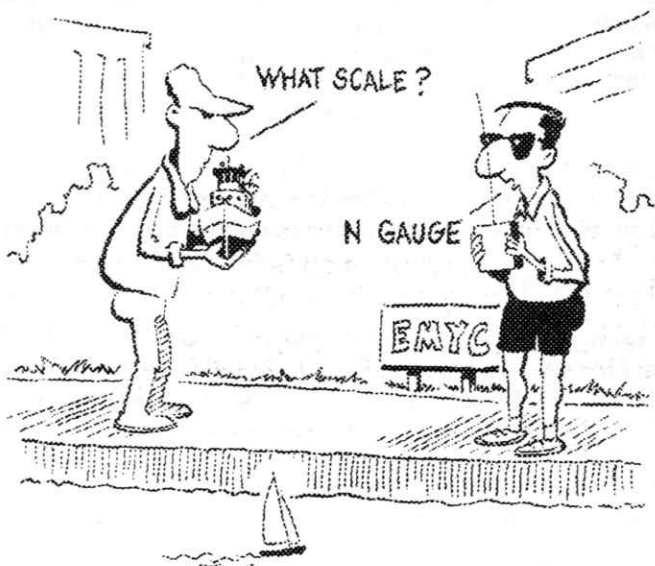
Robert Jester  
[REDACTED]

**Membership Meeting, 11/20/01:** The Commodore called the meeting to order at 7:00PM. New member: Vern Bryant-retired engineer. Purchased a Fletcher Class ship. Hub Hobby day announced to be May 11 starting at 9:00 AM. D.Campbell, D.Johnson, J. Warden, J. Dobson volunteered. Toy Boat show announced to be held in Willmar On Saturday, May 4th. Also announce Toy Show at State Fairgrounds May 5th. Parade of Boats Flyers and posters handed out by D.Johnson to hand out and place in hobby stores. New Club pamphlets announced by D.Johnson as ready to print. 2,000 copies to be printed in black and white. Perhaps a color cover next year.

Poker run announce to be on Saturday, April 20th. Fred Ferris asked for volunteers to take pictures and hand out poker cards. A 2 day Spring sailboat regatta announced to be 25th and 26th of May Skippers meeting at 10:00 AM. on All Other classes Saturday. Fairwinds on Sunday. Announce that members of the Calhoun Yacht Club will be a distributor for Laser class RC sailboats. Almost Ready to run class with one sail including radio. First Fast electric run will be on Thursday, May 9th. Dale Johnson gave a presentation on small fitting metal casting techniques and finishing techniques on Chris Craft type runabouts. *Doug*

## Schedule of Upcoming Events

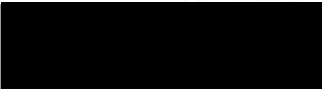
Every Sunday	Open Boating	4:30PM - 9:00PM
Every Tuesday	Open Boating	5:30PM - 9:00PM
Every Thursday	Open Boating	5:30PM - 9:00PM
May 21 <sup>st</sup> (Tue.)	Membership Meeting	Centennial Lakes Centrum Building 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
May 25 <sup>th</sup> (Sat.)	Spring Open Regatta	Centennial Lakes North Pond 10:00 AM -
May 26 <sup>th</sup> (Sat.)	Spring Fairwind Regatta	Centennial Lakes North Pond 10:00 AM -
June 9 <sup>th</sup> (Sun.)	Parade of Boats	Centennial Lakes Center Pond 8:00 AM -
June 18 <sup>th</sup> (Tue.)	Membership Meeting	Centennial Lakes Centrum Building 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
July 16 <sup>th</sup> (Tue.)	Membership Meeting	Centennial Lakes Centrum Building 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM



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*Fred Ferris '02*

Errol McKercher is selling 70 sheets of 23" x 34" linen drafting paper for \$5 CAN a sheet. He will pay shipping costs to anywhere in North America for orders of 10 or more sheets. McKercher has no computer, so write him at:



**New Toys:** Hub has just received some new prop adapters from Graupner. They will allow you to use most standard 3/16" props on 4mm shafts. *Mike*

**Hub Hobbie Days:** Was held on Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> this year (the friendly people over at Hub selected the date, not me), and while we were a little short of being a stunning success. (Personally I believe the fishing opener had a lot to do with the low turnout.) Our friends over at Hub, have asked me to thank all of those members who were able to show up and pitch in. *Mike*

**The Spring Open, and The Spring Fairwind Regatta:** It has come to my attention that the events have been scheduled for the Memorial Day weekend. That's what I get for scheduling things without cleaning my glasses first. Even though some members will not be able to attend because of the holiday, the events will go on as originally Scheduled. We will just have to schedule another event later. *Mike*

**EMYC Poker Run: April 20, 2002**

I have always disliked the name "poker run" as it has the connotation of gambling, snowmobiles, motorcycles and the like. We all know that this event has absolutely nothing to do with any of the above. I will call this event the EMYC Three Pond race.

The 2002 EMYC Three Pond race was moved up one week from past years. This was the fourth race or third annual. Each year we have tried to add something special to the mix to create interest. This year we eliminated the course hazards of pedal boats, I don't think anyone even noticed.

Saturday April 20 started out partly cloudy, north wind and temp in the 30's. I arrived at the pond at 8:00 am to place the south buoy. All the other buoys had been placed prior to Saturday. As the skippers arrived, radio frequencies were checked and assigned. Tony Johnson changed his frequency twice and everyone was able to sail. At the skippers meeting all of the normal stuff was covered along with the notice of a dog-leg course on the north pond. The dog-leg was added to make the total course point to point distance 5280 feet or one mile. All skippers were advised of the presence of marine growth and to watch for same. Deep blade & bulb boats were at risk of becoming entangled even before the event started. At the time the race was started, not one club spectator had shown up. Because of this unusual development, the playing cards were handed out after the completion of the sailing.

The race was finally started and the boats headed north out of the center pond on their way to the north pond. Shortly after the boats disappeared under the bridge, over the north canal, two of the skippers dropped out of the event due to marine growth and very deep keels, C.J. Vanvoorhis & Chris Traiser had been defeated by nature, boat design and shallow canals. Jason Jentsrch, sailing a Fairwind, also dropped out in the north half. Reason unknown.

After about 15 minutes Tony Johnson's 914 sailed back into the center pond with Terry Mackey's 914 in hot pursuit. The rest of the skippers completed the north half of the race in the following order:

Dave Bros, Mike Ross, Larry Wheeler, Micki Kiriara, Jerry Bell, Larry Johnson, Randy Chryst, and Ron Bongard

I do know that Jerry Bell spent precious time with plastic bag on his keel and later more time with marine growth.

Shortly after the last boat sailed south out of the center pond, two 914s appeared heading north toward the finish line. Half way up the pond Terry Mackey picked a wind shift and grabbed a good lift while Tony Johnson got a header. The skippers finished in the following order:

1. Terry Mackey	914	42:30
2. Tony Johnson	914	42:41
3. Larry Johnson	914	51:09
4. Dave Bros	Seawind	51:13
5. Miki Kiriara	Yamaha	54:02
6. Larry Wheeler	Fairwind	54:03
7. Jerry Bell	Laser	54:31
8. Randy Chryst	Fairwind	56:53
9. Ron Bongard	Fairwind	1:10:24

After the boats had finished the course, each skipper took one card from each of 5 decks. (remember there were no club spectators to give out cards to the skippers during the race) Micki Kiriara had selected a pair of kings for the winning hand.

This completed the 2002 Three Pond Race formerly known as the Poker Run. *Fred Ferris*

**R/C Laser:** The friendly folks with the R/C Laser's have requested that I publish their roster and frequency information. So here it is by popular request.

Jerry Bell

Sail #: 809

John Dodson

Sail #: (7)

Fred Ferris

Sail #: 671

Terry Mackey

Sail #: 901

Dick Valentine

Tom Weigel

Sail #: 4

**For Sale:** Seawind sailboat in good condition with Futaba radio, asking \$295. Contact John Dodson [redacted]. He plans to bring the boat to the next meeting.

**A Big Thank You:** I would like to thank all of the members who were able to find the time to come down to the park on April 21st, and helped out with the clean up of our little corner of the garage. While some people have asked what we did, I think it looks a whole lot better now than it did before. *Mike*

The **Schedule of Events** for Sunday June 9th is listed below. It begins with a two hour setup period, a one hour indoor display, followed by a four hour running period. The running program is organized in such a way that at least three opportunities to run just one type of boat will exist during the show, making it possible for everyone to have plenty of time on the water. A copy of this schedule will be available at the membership table and will also be handed out just prior to the start of the show.

<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Setup</b> indoor membership and information, building, and display areas. Setup outdoor running and frequency control areas. Skim water in central pond and clean running area. Setup and test outdoor P.A. and music systems. Display signs.
<b>10:45 AM</b>	<b>Club Meeting</b> in Centrum building. Review details of the show including indoor display, schedule, frequency use, EMYC drawing, etc.
<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Indoor Display</b> within the Centennial Lakes Centrum Building. All boats will be on display. This is a great opportunity for club members to get reacquainted again and browse around the room to see new projects. It also a great time for the general public to collectively see all the boats and builders in one place.
<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Open Boating/Open Water</b> A general introduction to the Edina Model Yacht Club and the hobby of radio controlled boating will be presented during this segment. Everyone is invited to run during this half-hour time period. This opening event is set up so as to show the variety and diversity of R/C boats among the membership of the EMYC. Ships log forms will be used to describe boats on the water.
<b>12:30 PM</b>	<b>Tugboats and Work Boats.</b> Display of features and operating equipment on various boats. *Special smoking barge segment. Boats with water cannons will "put out" fire.
<b>1:00 PM</b>	<b>Sailboats</b> of all types and classes; Fairwinds, AC-914's, Marbleheads, EC12's, etc. Open class regatta planned by our sailing group.
<b>1:30 PM</b>	<b>Fast Electric Boats</b> display of individual high speed electric boats. Racing event planned by Andy Valentine, Doug Campbell, Dan Proulx, and their high speed electric group.
<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Military Boats</b> flotilla including PT's, destroyers, battleships, subs, etc.
<b>2:30 PM</b>	<b>Scale Boats</b> including pleasure craft, ore carriers, paddle wheelers, steam powered, etc.
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Tugboats and Work Boats.</b> Display of features and operating equipment on various boats. *Special smoking barge segment. Boats with water cannons will "put out" fire.
<b>3:30 PM</b>	<b>Open Boating/Open Water</b> all types of boats allowed to run during this half-hour period. Those running past 4:00 PM will be responsible for their own frequency use.

**Additional items:** Food may be donated from several Centennial Lakes restaurants for EMYC consumption (details are currently pending). Food is available for purchase from the surrounding complex and covers everything from fast to fine dining. EMYC members will be able to relax within an environment of couches and chairs throughout the day in the back room. Coffee and donuts will be available in the back room as well. Benches and chairs will be set up outside for spectators' comfort. Paddle boats will be rented out but will not be allowed to run beyond the flagged-off area just east of the Centrum building. The water of Centennial Lakes will be treated 5 days prior to the show.

This newsletter is sent out to club members, local hobby shops, and several R/C boating clubs in surrounding areas. If you are not a club member but would like to participate in this event, please feel free to attend and run with us. No advance reservation is required, but please contact John Bishop [REDACTED] for planning purposes. We look forward to seeing everyone on June 9th.

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**May  
Meeting  
Notice:**

(Third Tuesday of the Month)  
**Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**7:00 P.M.**

**Centennial Lakes  
Centrum Building**

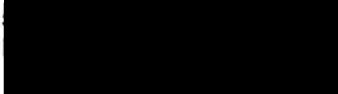
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# Final Details- Parade of Model Boats 2002

by John Bishop

The Parade of Model Boats show will take place on Sunday, June 9th, from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM, with the setup beginning at 9:00 AM. The show is planned to provide entertainment for the general public and to introduce the hobby of radio controlled model boating. But equally important, it is a chance for our club members to meet new people, display and run all types of boats, and have some fun for a day. It is our club's main event of the year and has proven to be very enjoyable and rewarding for those that participate. Be advised that if thunderstorms and rain showers are forecast or weather does exist, the Parade show will continue as an indoor display until conditions permit us to run outdoors.

The **Centrum building**, located in the heart of the Centennial Lakes development, serves as a focal point for our show. Within the building, the atrium (entry area) will accommodate our membership and information tables. Overflow tables can be setup as well, if needed, to display additional boats. A room adjacent to the atrium will allow club members to store personal items such as radios and allow for charging and maintenance of equipment. This "back room" will not have public access and only those with an EMYC name tag will be allowed to enter. Charging and repairs may also take place within this area. The Fireside and Parlor rooms together will comprise the space needed for our indoor display.

**Registration** will take place at your leisure before 11:00 AM at the Membership table. We'll have you list your name and the types of boats you're bringing to the show, prepare your display cards, and complete Ship's Log forms. It will be quick and simple and will provide for a more organized and professional looking show.

**Indoor display** is a great opportunity for you to show your boat(s) within the Centrum building and you are encouraged whenever not running to have your boat(s) in this area. The room will be watched over by EMYC members at all times. More than 200 boats can be displayed in this large 2000 square foot room. Boats will be organized on the tables according to their type. Individual information cards will be placed in front of each model on display. During the initial setup from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM, club members will be on hand to direct the placement of models within the Centrum building for display. Please look for assistance upon your arrival. Cars may be driven up to the Centrum building before and after the show for loading and unloading of equipment.

There will be three tables containing current projects under construction in the **Builders Corner**, located in the southwest part of the display room. If you have something interesting in the works that you think others might enjoy seeing, please plan to bring them and we will accommodate as many items as we have space. This display often gives those not associated with the hobby a better understanding of the work and effort involved in finishing a model boating project. If you have an interest in staffing this area anytime during the show please see John Bishop before 11:00 AM.

The ever popular **Ships-in-a-Bottle** table, presented by club member Donald Pearson, will be present for the fifth year in a row. Make sure you set aside a few minutes during the show to see his superb modeling talents.

The **Membership and Information** tables will provide information for our members and the general public. EMYC members will have access to name tags, Ships Log forms, information cards for models on display, and schedule of events sheets. The information table will act as a resource area for handing out literature. The general public can pick up information here about the hobby of radio controlled boating, the organization of the Edina Model Yacht Club, and information about the group and its activities. If you don't know the answer to a question please direct people to this area. These tables will be located in the entry area of the Centrum building.

The **Central Pond** located just outside of the Centrum building is where we will run our equipment during the show. The stairs just to the southeast of the display room will quickly and conveniently take us to the water. A protected running area will be setup for club members once again this year. EMYC members will control model boats within a fenced-off 25' zone adjacent to the stairs that lead down to the water.

**Frequency Control** will allow us to track 36+ channels for independent operation of the boats. The frequency board will be used during the entire four hour running period and if you run you will need to have a clip attached to your transmitter antenna displaying the frequency you're on. No powering up or testing of equipment (even in the back room) will be allowed unless you have secured a clip from the frequency board. If you have finished running, please return the clip promptly. Conflicts will be resolved by sharing the available time for an event, or by changing out crystals. You may want to have an extra set of crystals in case a frequency conflict arises.