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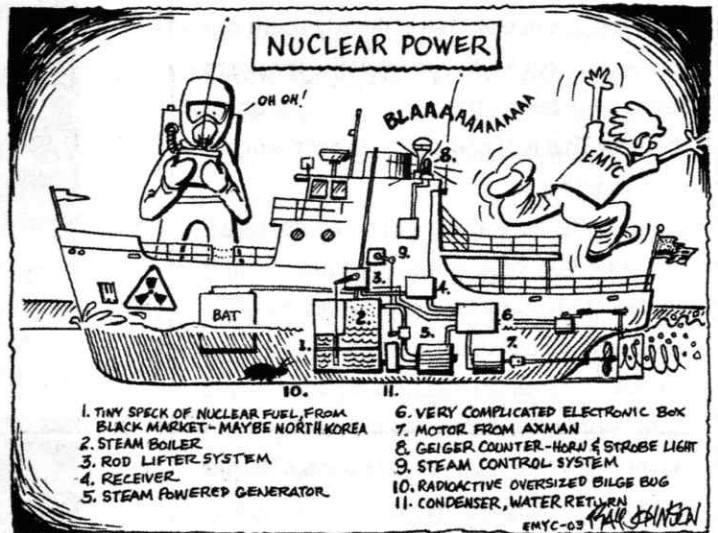
RC SUBMARINE PRESENTATION

At February's meeting, Tim Smalley gave a very informative PowerPoint presentation about the world of RC submarines and his participation in the hobby. He brought along several



of his submarines, and showed in detail much of what is involved in building a sub and also several types of submersible systems used in RC submarines. One of Tim's models was his highly detailed scratch-built RC model of the CSS Hunley the Confederate Civil War man-powered submarine. Gary Phillips also brought his submarine and also participated in the presentation. Club member Doug Person was impressed with Tim's presentation and writes "Tim's multi-media presentation was outstanding! His sharing of how he got into subs, as little guy, was fascinating. Tim has achieved national recognition for his model sub building skills and as editor of their publication "the subcommittee". I only wish that our ponds at Centennial Lakes park would be clearer, so that our other U-boat commanders could share their work. The beautiful work of Tim and Gary Phillips takes me back to "Run Silent, Run deep". A great presentation, Tim!"

See more of the presentation on page 2.



SCHEDULE OF CLUB EVENTS:

3/18	Tuesday	Club Meeting -Band Room	7:00 - 9:00 P.M.
4/18	Friday	3M Adhesives Seminar- Centrum Bldg.	7:00 P.M.
4/26	Saturday	Poker Run Event	9:45 A.M.

MODEL BOAT SHOW IN CHICAGO

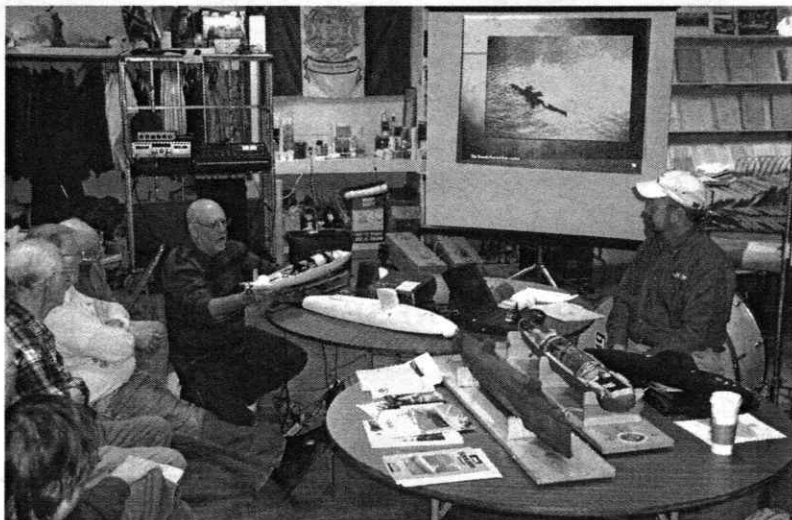
The Greater Chicago Area 3rd Annual Model Ship and RC Boat show will take place on Saturday, March 22, from 9 AM to 4 PM in Oakbrook Terrace IL, at the Oakbrook Terrace Park District Fitness Center Gym, 1 Parkview Plaza, Oakbrook Terrace, IL. There will be 8 participating clubs; North Shore Deadeyes, Midwest Model Shipwrights, Nautical Research and Model Ship Society of Chicago, Chicago Area Model Yacht Club, Scale Ship Masters RC Boat Club, Subron 6, Fleet 4 Commanders RC Boat Club and the S.S.M.A. There will also be flea market sales, modeling and technical seminars. Over 100 exhibits were there last year. For more information, call the Oakbrook Terrace Park District 630-627-6100, or visit www.obtpd.org. - courtesy of the St. Louis Admirals RC Model Boat Club Newsletter

COMMODORE'S CORNER

March is here, and that means two things. First; it's hockey tournament time. Second; its tax time! The wonderful time of the year when normally I would be hitting the hobby stores, trying to decide what I am going to get with my share of that tax refund that's coming my way. This year is going to be a little different from most, since we have already spent our tax return. So it looks like we will just have to settle with sailing the same old boats again this year. That is of course if I can get them put back together.

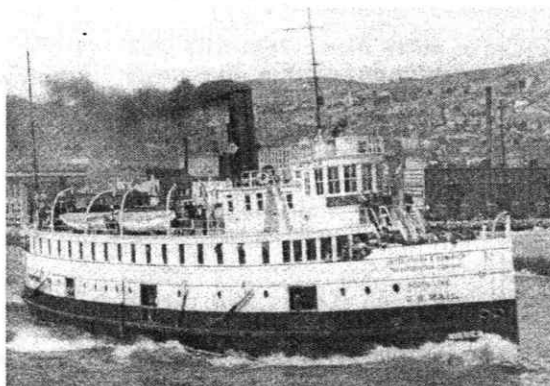
What a difference a year can make. As I recall, this time last year, winter was just getting started. With many of us concerned that if we were to have our usual six months of winter, the road construction season would be delayed until September. Before we joined the club, I never really had much use for winter. Thanks to indoor hockey arenas, one can always find all the ice that anyone could want. All that cold, snow, and wind chill is nothing more than a major pain, like a pimple that just will not go away. But over the last few years I have been able to develop an appreciation for the excuse to allow the boats some much needed down time. If I could sail my boat's all year round, I would probably sail them until they just fell apart (which is almost what I do now, come to think of it). I do not understand how people in the south do it. All of that time to sail year round, would leave no time left over for making repairs, I can imagine that they must go through a lot of boats. But then, judging from the news coming out of the south this year, I am not the only one who is not having a typical winter season this year. Have fun! - Mike

Sub Presentation at the Meeting



Gary Phillips shows the inner workings of his submarine to presenter Tim Smalley and fellow members at February's meeting.

Member Kirk Brust building great lakes liner S.S. America



Kirk displayed his work in progress at February's meeting. Below Kirk is a 1910 photo of the S.S. America in Duluth.

Club member Kirk Brust brought an interesting project to February's meeting. Most members know of Kirk's fantastic scale model of the Nautilus from the movie 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea. Now he is building a scale model of the S.S. America that sunk off the West end of Isle Royale in 1928. There is a website related to the America; The Great Lakes Shipwreck Preservation Society; www.glsps.org.

SCALE NEWS

Polo Tug Game Ideas

Below are descriptions of some games that can be played with the polo tugs (other tugs/boats for that matter also could participate) that appear to be a lot of fun and would be easy to set up! I would like some feedback from our



membership as to how many would be interested in participating and what games are of the most interest.

We could schedule these as special events (with awards or prizes) or we could do them every week (on a less formal basis) and have a contest that runs over

the season. (Crown a King/Queen o' the Pond) Of course we could just do them without any competition, but that wouldn't be as much fun! Any thoughts or suggestions would be welcome.

Some of the games were designed around the boats being equal in power, so we would have to come up with a way to handicap the boats, but that will just add to the fun. Let me know your thoughts and ideas and I will work on setting something up! Feel free to call or email me at [redacted] or [redacted]

- Neil Maldeis

Polo Tug Game options (From Polo Tug Website)

Balloon Tag... Tie a balloon to the stern of the boat and tape thumbtacks to the tow knees. The last boat to have a balloon is the winner.

Tug Polo... Place a ball in the water and have opposing goal lines. Players try to get ball across their goal.

Harbor Work... A single or team of two boats maneuvers a large vessel into dock. A five second penalty if vessel rams into dock. The fastest time wins.

Harbor Race... Here each boat races through a course maneuvering around obstacles. Five seconds penalty for hitting an obstacle. Fastest time wins.

Power Pull... Weighted barges are pushed or pulled out fifty feet and return. Boat begins at full stop and timer calls go. Timer stops when head of boat or barge reaches starting buoy.

Breakaway Barge... Boats battle to take possession of the barge. The boat that keeps barge for 20 seconds gets a point. Five points win game. (I have some barges already built)

MEETING NOTES - JANUARY

Club Meeting Notes January 21, 2003.

Mike announced that Tom Sweeny will arrange a 3M seminar on adhesives to be held in the Centennial Lakes Centrum building, Friday April 18th. Currently it is scheduled to start at 7:00 P.M. Volunteers who wish to help set up, should start arriving at about 6:00 P.M. The last Mike heard was that Tom was going to confirm this with the 3M people, and get back to him.

Tom Weigel presented some burgee designs for consideration. Tom suggested the winning design, to be determined by club members, could be made into flags of various sizes and also be made into decals. The committee to determine finalists will be Dale Johnson, Doug Campbell and Tom.

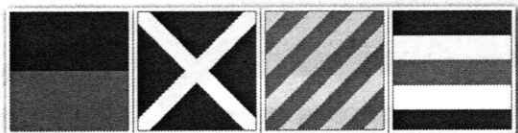
Terry Mackey announced that the first sailboat regatta will be on Saturday, April 26, beginning at 9:45 AM.

Tim Smalley asked that members submit ideas for a scale event this year and to send him an e-mail with any suggestions. The presentation on RC submarines followed by Tim Smalley with the help of Gary Phillips. Also, Kirk Brust showed his partially completed model of the Great Lakes Steamer S.S. America.

- Doug Campbell

FREE OLD BOAT PLANS!

Here is a neat website that offers free downloads of the articles and plans in them of almost all the old boat plans available in the old Science and Mechanix and Mechanix Illustrated magazines. All are real boats, but I'm sure a modeler can use them too. I would guesstimate there are about 60 or so different plans of mostly smaller sailboats, cabin cruisers, hydroplanes and runabouts. Check it out on the web at www.svensons.com.



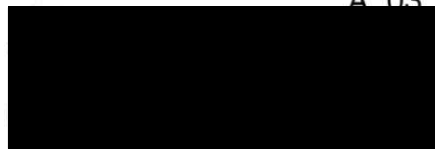
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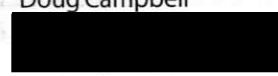
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MARCH MEETING:

TUESDAY, MARCH 18 - 7:00 P.M.
CENTENNIAL LAKES GARAGE BAND ROOM

PRESENTATION ON SAILBOATS

Members of the sailing group will speak on the RC sailboat hobby, the history of the classes, sailing at EMYC, and our racing representation of EMYC at other places around the country.

Also, Tom Weigel will present three final designs for the club burgee that were narrowed down by the burgee design committee. Members in attendance will be asked to vote for their favorite design of the bunch.

AGAIN, BRING YOUR BOAT TO THE MEETING!

Members ARE VERY ENTERTAINED seeing finished or unfinished nautical projects! So please bring your boat project to the meeting.