

# EDINA MODEL YACHT CLUB

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### Dumas Model Boat Factory

By Kevin Waldo

On March 1st I took a vacation to Arizona to visit my mom and dad in Mesa, and while there I made a little side trip to Tucson. to look up the Dumas model boat factory. It is located in central Tucson right in the middle of the industrial district.

After making a couple of u turns and going down what looked a back alley, my dad, mom and I finally made it. I was a little disappointed with the rather plain brick building with the faded sign, because I was thinking it would be a fairly modern place, but that's just me. When I walked inside I saw to my surprise all the models that Dumas makes. With all the models hanging from the ceiling it looked liked a squadron of attacking aircraft! While the walls and tables in the lobby were loaded with boats of all kinds most of them being preproduction models.

The staff was quite accommodating to let me take pictures in the lobby , but when I asked if we could have a tour of

the factory the answer was NO! So I did the best I could in the lobby, even thou I didn't get to see the factory I was still glad to be there. - Kevin Waldo



In the lobby of Dumas Boat Factory

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### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

March 21, Tuesday .....7:00 p.m- 9:00 p.m. ....Membership Meeting  
May 16, Saturday .....To Be Determined.. .....Solar Regatta, Riley Lake Park, Eden Prairie  
May 19, Tuesday .....7:00 p.m- 9:00 p.m. ....Membership Meeting

## COMMODORE'S CORNER



By **John Bertelsen**

**T**he pond cleaning was a lot of fun. Always interesting when the water level is

lowered in a water body to see a bit of what is below the water surface. Similar to when the leaves are down in the fall you can see what the woods are like behind the leaf barrier. Weather could not have been better - low 60's, breeze off of the pond and overcast, just perfect. Only the flatter sloped edges were exposed all the way around the pond and the found objects were few: small sailor figurine and rod and reel found by the park staff in the center or south ponds, and a remote engine starter for a Toyota and most importantly the forward hatch cover off of the Mighty Mary that blew off in a gust last summer. This means the real treasures of Centennial Lakes remain hidden in the depths. The work accomplished by the dozen or so club volunteers was truly remarkable, and was split into two tasks within the north pond. The first group removed the floating moss like vegetation, which plagued the water surface during the later portion of last season, and accumulated on the exposed pond edges next to the

west side retaining walls and then dried. This was removed by skimming the ground surface with pitchforks and placing the material in piles on the sidewalk for removal, and there was a lot of it. The second group tackled the sand bar in the northwest corner of the north pond. The top of the bar had been about 6 inches below the water surface and sailboats would run aground. Lowering the top of the bar to the lowered level of water required removing about 2 ½ feet of material! With no way to get the sand to shore, the sand was tossed in the water off to the side which meant the bar got lower and wider. That was a lot of work! Now we just need some rain to fill the ponds back up.

- John Bertelsen

## WISCONSIN MODEL SHIP & BOATS SHOW

**J**oin us May 15-17, 2015 for for the 39th Annual Midwestern Model Ships & Boats Contest and Display in Manitowoc, Wisconsin. The registration materials are now available from our website at <http://www.wisconsinmaritime.org/special-events/midwestern-model-ships-boats-contest-and-display/>

You can also ask for a printed copy by contacting me, Wendy Lutzke, at 920-684-0218 x 115.

Questions about the event? Contact me at the phone number above or email [wlutzke@wisconsinmaritime.org](mailto:wlutzke@wisconsinmaritime.org).

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## AT THE MARCH MEETING



Kirk Brust demonstrating his painting weathering techniques used on his models



### ASK THE EXPERTS

**D**o you have a question for the "Ask the experts?" Let me know and I will send it out for response. Last month's question was "where can I get thicker line for sheeting sails?"

Tony Johnson responded that he uses Courtland fishing line, a braided nylon in 30 or 50 pound test. This is available at Bass Pro Shop, Cabela's, and other fishing supply stores. - *John Bertelsen*

Please check out our new Facebook Group Site: Edina Model Yacht Club

### EMYC YEARLY DUES

**T**he May issue of the newsletter will not be sent to you if dues are not paid by **April 30**.

**Special Thanks...**To members that contributed their time & talents to this issue: Kevin Waldo, John Bertelsen, Larry Wheeler, & Dale Johnson

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# Dumas Model Boat Factory (cont.)



Photos by Kevin Waldo





Dumas Model Boat Factory (cont.)



All Photos by Kevin Waldo





# CENNTENNIAL LAKES POND CLEANING



Dennis Bernloehr at left photo - Photos by Todd Moen



John Bertelsen



Tom Shirley (front) & Julia Moen (background)



## CENNTENNIAL LAKES POND CLEANING (CONT.)



Tom Shirley, John Bertelsen & Dick Walker



Removing the Sand Bar at the North Pond - Photos by Todd Moen



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## **APRIL MEETING**

**TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2015 7:00 P.M.  
CENTENNIAL LAKES GARAGE BAND ROOM**

### **AGENDA:**

- Model Boat planking -David Petrick, Joe Steele, & Paul Olsen
- Show and Tell of Boat Projects

### **Special Interest Contacts:**

#### **Scale Boating:**

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Tony Johnson [REDACTED]

#### **Fast Electric:**

Dave Petrich [REDACTED]

**ODOM Forum Group :** Gary Tschautscher

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