

# Yacht Club News

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## What about the rules?

BY RALPH PETER

In virtually all sports, with the possible exception of RUGBY, there are rules, officials, and penalties that control the playing of the game. Well, yacht racing is no exception.

In yacht racing, rules regulate both the on the water racing and also the participating yachts. The yacht classifications that are documented in the ONE DESIGN and DEVELOPMENTAL class rules regulate the participating yachts, and on the water racing rules generally apply to all yacht classes. As an example, some of the on the water rules infractions include, crossing the start line too early, not yielding the right of way, and hitting or passing the course marker buoys on the wrong side. Although these rules have a purpose they can be confusing to the novice sailor.

In an effort to keep the initial club racing focused on fun and building sail racing skills, the administrative committee has adopted its own simplified rules. The participating yachts will be regulated under the AMYA sanctioned yacht calculation, and the three additional yacht classes that were described in the last news letter. This means that there will be separate races for each class of yacht. For the actual racing, there are three on the water rules:

- 1) Do not cross the start line before the start signal, the penalty, go back across the start line before continuing the race.
- 2) Avoid collisions with other yachts, the penalty, to the offended skipper apologize and continue racing.
- 3) The yachts must pass the course marker buoys on the correct side (right or left depending on the course lay out) and there is no penalty if the marker is hit.

## Next Club Meeting

Tuesday, April 28, 1992

Centennial Lakes Centrum Building

5:30-7:00P.M. Informal Sailing

7:00-9:00P.M. Club Meeting

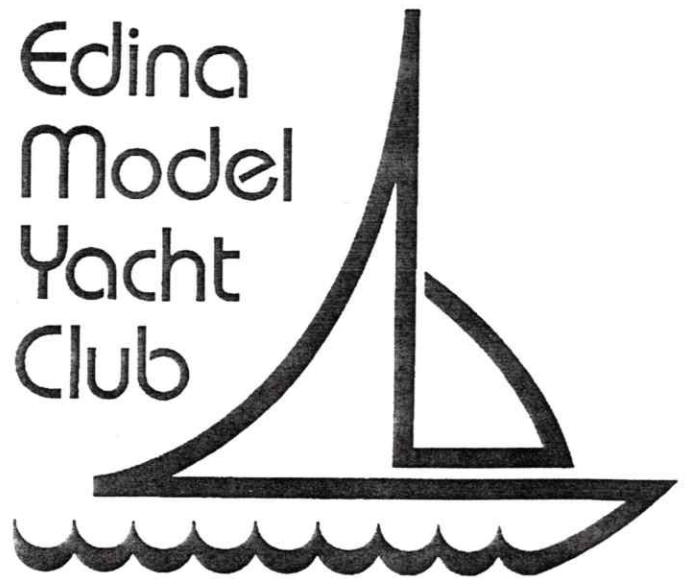
### Agenda:

1. Parade of Boats
2. Membership
3. Club Formalization

These rules apply only to our club's races. Regattas where other clubs are invited will have to follow the American Model Yachting Association's rules. The administrative committee does not expect that we will be in a position this year to sponsor a fully AMYA regatta. As the year progresses and racing skills improve, racing and officiating under the official rules may be considered as preparation for the 1993 season. When official race rules are adopted a rules seminar will be given.

The competitive events planned this year include Olympic course racing. This is a triangular course with two windward legs, two broad reach legs and a down wind run to the finish line. The second type of event is racing around buoys positioned in a circular course. And the third type of competitive event is *Balloon Tag*, where a balloon is fasten to the stern of your yacht, a dowel with a pin is fasten to the bow, and the object is to pop the other yacht's balloon. The last boat with a balloon is the winner. These events are a low stress competition and an opportunity to perfect sailing skills. In time a group of hard core racers may evolve and a second set of racing events may be added that use the official rules. Right now we are learning and need the club's participation, so, for those with a competitive nature, get your yacht and join in on the fun.

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# Events Calendar



## May 1992 EDINA MODEL YACHT CLUB

| SUNDAY  | MONDAY | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY | SATURDAY                            |
|---|--------|--|-----------|--|--------|-------------------------------------|
|   |        |  |           |  | 1      | 2                                   |
| 3<br>9:30am Race Day                            | 4      | 5<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out                               | 6         | 7<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out   | 8      | 9<br>AMERICA'S CUP<br>RACING BEGINS |
| 10<br>NO RACING TODAY -<br>"HAPPY MOM'S<br>DAY" | 11     | 12<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out<br>7:00pm Monthly<br>Meeting | 13        | 14<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out  | 15     | 16                                  |
| 17<br>9:30am Race Day                           | 18     | 19<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out                              | 20        | 21<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out - Outreach/<br>People with<br>Disabilities | 22     | 23                                  |
| 24<br>9:30am Race Day                           | 25     | 26<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out                              | 27        | 28<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out  | 29     | 30                                  |
| 31<br>9:30am Race Day                           |        |  |           |  |        |                                     |

## June 1992 EDINA MODEL YACHT CLUB

| SUNDAY                                      | MONDAY | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
|---|--------|---|-----------|--|--------|----------|
|   | 1      | 2<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out                              | 3         | 4<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out   | 5      | 6        |
| 7<br>2:00pm<br>PARADE<br>OF BOATS           | 8      | 9<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out<br>7:00pm Monthly<br>Meeting | 10        | 11<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out  | 12     | 13       |
| 14<br>9:30am Race Day                       | 15     | 16<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out                             | 17        | 18<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out  | 19     | 20       |
| 21<br>NO RACE DAY -<br>"HAPPY DAD'S<br>DAY" | 22     | 23<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out                             | 24        | 25<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out - Outreach/<br>People with<br>Disabilities | 26     | 27       |
| 28<br>9:30am Race Day                       | 29     | 30<br>5:30pm Club Work<br>Out                             |           |  |        |          |

# Parade of boats update

BY BOB LUND

The water is soft, the boats are floating, so lets get down to business and have some fun.

Tentative plans for the Parade of Boats have been made throughout the winter months. Now that sailing is upon us lets get serious about our first event of the new year. IT'S TIME TO SINK OR SAIL. Pulling off this first big one is an all important milestone for this club. We need to show ourselves that we can organize and get things done (even a little of that awful planning stuff). We need to show the City of Edina that they have put their faith in a bunch of sailors that can produce results. We need to show the public what we're all about. And we need to assure ourselves we can have fun doing it. Here's the skinnie on the Event to date.

Edina Model Yacht Club's First Annual Parade of Boats Festival is to be held on June 7, 1992 at Centennial Lakes Park in Edina Minnesota. Individual Events will begin about 2:00 P.M. and culminate at 6:00 P.M. with the actual parade and a city sponsored band concert.

Throughout the day there will be an indoor boat show in the Centrum Building. This building will also serve as our Command Center. Open sailing is scheduled for the North Pond all day. Rental boats will be available at the Paddleboat dock area. Special demonstrations and events will be held on the South Pond.

Special events slated for the day include Balloon Tag, a Circle Race, an Around the Marks Race, a Slalom Race, and a Maneuvering Course for the power boys.

The Burnsville Scale Model Boat Club is being invited to participate.

As you can see there is a lot of work yet to be coordinated. The Administrative Committee has put the logistics of an excellent day before the members. Its time to ask for your help. we have lots of little tasks that need fine tuning. Please lend your assistance to make this one firecracker of an opening day. ■

# Keeping the boats afloat

BY STEVE RUSK

The Edina Model Yacht Club (EMYC) was formed to promote the hobby and sport of model yachting. By providing a vehicle for the fellowship of boaters and a body of water with facilities that promotes development (growth) of the sport.

For the EMYC to prosper it is necessary for the organization to have some structure to get things done, to ensure that members have a forum for their options, and to ensure that EMYC develops into the organization that best service the membership.

For the past few months many of you have been supporting the organization with your time and energy. Now we just need you to make it official by becoming a member of EMYC.

Membership is open to anyone who has a interest in sail and electric powered scale and model yachts. There are two levels of membership youth at \$10 and adult at \$20.

## Membership benefits are:

- Year long membership (June 1st through May 31st)
- Subscription to EMYC newsletter Notification of meetings and yachting events.
- Able to participate in club events Use of Centennial lake during scheduled EMYC open sailing.
- Participation in a American Model Yachting Association sanctioned Club
- Voting rights— Adult membership only potential use of proposed work area.

Please take a minute to join by filling out the form below. Just mailit to **Edina Model Yacht Club, 7499 France Ave. So., Edina MN 55435.**

If you received this newsletter through the mail you will continue to receive it for three months. If you do not join by the end of that period, you will be dropped from the list. If you are not on the mailing list and would like to be, please fill out the above form and check the box for three month mailing list. You will be put on the mailing list once for a three month period. If the you join the EMYC during this period your name will remain on the mailing list until May 31, 1993. If not the name will be dropped.



## Membership Registration

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, and Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check one:  ADULT MEMBERSHIP  YOUTH MEMBERSHIP

3-MONTH MAILING LIST

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**Edina Model Yacht Club  
Minutes  
March 24, 1992 Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. 20 members were present.

Steve Rusk reviewed the clubs proposed organization and committee structure and discussed the administrative committee's recommendation that procedures be implemented to formalize the club. Members present concurred with committee opinion and agreed to have the process begin.

Planning for the upcoming Parade of Boats event was discussed. Members were asked to help with planning events to occur. Date was fixed as June 7.

Ralph Peter gave a basic sailing seminar and discussed the reefing system he has installed on his boat.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 individual discussion continued. ■

## America's Cup Update

AS OF APRIL 12, 1992

### Defender Selection Series — 3-way tie:

- America's 3
- Stars and Stripes
- Kanza

### Two finalists begin best of 13 races the week of 4/19/92:

- Challenger Series
- Moro De Venezia
- New Zealand

### Winner goes against Defenders Selection Series Finalist

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