

July Extra

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This extra addition is to address some items that cannot wait for the usual July Newsletter. We have two special boats to find homes for and an up-coming event that you may be interested in attending.

The two boats are a couple of the very special boats that the owners would like to keep in the club. One power boat and one sailboat. The first comes from the estate of Ken G [REDACTED]. Ken's wife Pat is seeking to fulfill Ken's wishes to keep the boat in the club. I have featured this boat in past newsletters so that you may recall that this boat was constructed by Al B [REDACTED]. Al got the boat to maybe 80% completion. The boat was subsequently updated further by Jim P [REDACTED] then came to Ken. Ken not only completed the boat as Al had envisioned but completely upgraded the electronics using the best components available today. Gary T [REDACTED] helped along the way with the electronics and the result is a very sturdy, classy, electronic marvel of a boat.





The boat comes with a necessary DX12 radio, unless you have a radio with that many channels because you will need them. Contact me and I will put you in touch with Pat Goewey. If this type of boat interests you at all you need to contact me. This is a one of a kind boat that you will likely only ever see because you are affiliated with one of the best RC boat clubs in the country.

The second boat comes from Ralph P [REDACTED]. The older members know, and the rest of us need to know, that Ralph was one of the four individuals at the very beginning of the club to sign the Articles of Incorporation in 1992. The club was functioning before 1992 but we can take the 1992 incorporation date as the official beginning of the club. The other signers were: Steven R [REDACTED], Robert L [REDACTED], and John B [REDACTED]. Ralph is wanting to place his schooner with someone in the club. You might have seen his boat if you went to the EMYC.org website, clicked on the "INFO" tab, then clicked on "What is the club history", to get you to the article "EMYC Sails to Success-A Club History" by Ronald [REDACTED]. That article contains a photo of Ralph's boat Mariah:





I had to go to Paul O [REDACTED] to get the history on this boat. It was built from a kit, and is similar in size to Paul's own scratch-built schooner, about 60 inches in length and weighs about 50 pounds. Ralph says that one of the masts is in need of repair but otherwise in good condition. Paul adds that it sails really, really nicely. Once we have a home for Mariah, Ralph will bring her to Minnesota. This is definitely one of the important club boats that we would like to see return to the home waters. Again, let me know if you are interested and I will put you in touch with Ralph. You need to belong to a classy RC club to have a chance at boats like this one and this may be your chance to own a very special boat indeed.

The last item in this special addition is a last minute reminder of two related RC events this summer that you should have on your bucket list to attend. Gary T [REDACTED] and Kevin K [REDACTED] belong to an RC airplane soaring club located in Owatonna. They are having their regional event this week and weekend, July 8 - 11. Check out <https://www.sled-works.com/> for the field location, field map, photos of past events and other fun stuff.

These are almost all very large craft and are towed to 2,000+ feet to circle and return to earth. If you think these are simple aircraft you could be wrong. Kevin reports that one of his planes has 12 servos and cost of ownership is well into the four digits. These planes are just stunning. Kevin just returned from an out-state event where he had a catastrophic failure with one of his planes crashing into a tree, in a town, just missing the home - a half mile away from the airfield! This is the very serious end of the rc airplane hobby, on steroids. You may recall in a past newsletter it was reported Kevin

had a disaster happen to one of his tow planes, but that is now repaired and functional.



The tow planes are worth the trip themselves. Go to the website in the preceding notice of the event to find a map to the location. Once you get close you will see the planes in the air from a ways off. Very impressive.

Also coming up is the RC Airplane Military Fly-in, also in Owatonna, on August 12-14. More information coming.

Busy summer, heat might have just made a timely exit so that you can attend these events in relative (summer) comfort. I plan on attending both events, I hope you can too. Every club member that has attended has been bowled over at the scale and workmanship of the aircraft so plan on attending.

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