November Newsletter



November 2022 Membership Meeting, News and Other Things

Dry Dock Party

It was a wonderful party and we all had a great time! Famous Dave's did their usual famously excellent job of providing food and the service is second to none! The main meal was followed by cake and Todd Moen's year end wrap up/yearly summary of all things EMYC in 2022 video presentation. A quick paced slide show of over 600 photos in the video this year made it the best yet! The background music was unfortunately marred by some glitch in my laptop that has been used for many years now, but this year decided to keep the video playing while every once in a while halting the sound to compile. If you have not gotten your copy of the dvd disc get in touch with Todd

Here is the group watching the video:



Swap Meet



You can't do justice to the swap meet this year with the above photo. It was excellent with kits, boats, parts, and other things RC finding new homes. Prior to the meet I had sent out a preview of boats and rc cars from the estate of Dorothy Zimmerman's oldest son Jim, and the large boat received a lot of attention - but was sold prior to the meet. Here is Jim with his boat at Centennial Lakes:



The model is of the super yacht Audacia. Here is an article on the sale and background of the boat: https://www.boatinternational.com/yacht-market-intelligence/brokerage-sales-news/48-metre-feadship-motor-yacht-audacia-sold--13113. The boat was purchased by Victor Umboh who was thrilled with the background on the boat having been built in the Netherlands, his home country, Victor having immigrated to the US when he was 5 years old! We will be seeing this boat on the water for certain.

Other News

In a year of sudden weather changes this fall has been a dandy but also sealed the ponds with ice sooner than we would like to shut down the season. So it looks like we are really done for the year. The ODOM forum was re-circulating photos of sailing on the south pond on December 5th of 2016, and the group always trying to top that date for sailing late in the season, just not this year.

In Memoriam

Larry Johnson recently passed away and unfortunately I don't have any additional information

at this time. Larry was a great supporter of the club and was a very interesting and nice man. If you were a member of the club in 2018 you cannot forget the famous sale of his rc boat collection. I know I will never forget the call I got from him one day and he said he will need some help liquidating his boats. I said I would be happy to help and could stop over next weekend. No, it had to be now! OK then, but no one had any idea of what I, and the rest of the club, was in for. I put together a "brochure" of his boats which contained 26 boats in the initial offering and photos of the above-the-garage storage area containing many more boats! Many of the boats were displayed on a narrow shelf that was installed about 18 inches below the ceiling and continued around all walls in the living room and beyond. There were quite a few boats that were not offered for sale that Larry was keeping so you can see that the collection was very extensive. Larry was in failing health at the time and was moving from his townhome to senior living and needed to clean out the house quickly! We did manage to place most of the boats immediately. His home also contained other collections and his workshop where he worked on his boats and his collection of marionettes, which were actually his first love. The club is made up of so many interesting people, and Larry is certainly one of those unique to the history of the club. Here are some samples of very many very cool boats in the Johnson fleet:















Gift Suggestion?

Christmas is coming up and if you need a suggestion for a gift for yourself or someone you know, I have a great book suggestion if you enjoy sailing stories. I really enjoy stories of boating whether canoeing or sailing and have previously recommended two classics: Canoeing with the Cree, by Eric Severeid; and Sailing Around The World Alone, by Joshua Slocom; along with other canoeing books either recreating the trip by Severeid or a partial recreation. To this collection I have to add two books by Julie Bradley, Escape From The Ordinary, and the follow-up Crossing Pirate Waters. A seven year trip in their sailboat named "It's Enough" takes place around the year 2000, and is a more modern tale that the previous two books. Julie and her husband retired from the military, sold everything, bought a boat and began what is not your ordinary exploration of the globe from a sailboat. They visited the back country areas wherever they went if possible, the areas not usually seen by tourists. They also participated in the running of the America's Cup races in New Zealand in 2003 as part of the on-water race control. Typical to everything they did it was not an easy adventure with the weather in 2003 bouncing between extremes for the races which were postponed several times. Wherever they went they had amazing experiences and adventures. This is one of those true stories that if it was a book of fiction you would say the plot was completely ridiculous, too much going on and very improbable. The first book ends around 9/11, about three and one half years into the trip; the second book continues the voyage up to the end of their experience. Julie is an excellent writer and the books are completely engaging. Written from a woman's point of view these books will appeal to women as well as men. Highly, highly recommended. They are books printed on request, and each is about 300 pages long with photos.

The end of the year!

A big THANK YOU to everyone that participated, helped out, cheered on, and all other things to have made 2022 a very successful year for the Edina Model Yacht Club! Happy Holidays to everyone!

John Bertelsen Commodore Edina Model Yacht Club



Vice Commodores: Gary Tschautscher, Tim Crain, Rob Segal

Treasurer and Membership: Julia Moen

Sailboats: Tony Johnson Scale Modeling: Kevin Waldo

Fast Electrics and Website: David Petrich

Zoom Meetings, EMYC and ODOM Forums: Gary Tschautscher

DF 95 forum: Burt Fischer

Dry Dock Party: Terry Bertelsen, Julia Moen Face Book: Richard Dahlquist, Todd Moen

Off site events: Rob Segal