

THE FOGHORN

Newsletter of the Marine Modelers Club of New England

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Upcoming Events

Saturday, October 16, 3-6pm: NEW DATE! Our annual Day/Night run at Memorial Park Beach in Sharon.

Sunday, November 14, 1-4 pm: Eric Bertelsen is hosting the meeting at Homeport Models in Peabody, MA. The address is 1 Willard Street, unit #4. The indoor event will start with a small business meeting followed by club elections. Eric will then do a small presentation about the things and services that his shop can provide to the model ship builder. After the presentation, Eric will play a maritime movie that should be very interesting to our group. (Eric has a limit number of chairs in his shop, so you may want to bring a folding chair.)

Sunday, December 5, 12pm -4pm: Annual Holiday Dinner at Prezo Bar and Grille, Milford, MA.

Election of 2020 Club Officers

The election will be hopefully be held at our November meeting. We have a slate of volunteers to serve as club officers for 2020. As usual, we have no contested races, but we would really welcome some new faces to volunteer!

The slate for 2020 at this point is:

Commander: Mike Hale 1st Officer: Charlie Tebbetts Treasurer: Linda Arini Events: Frank Cook

Clerk/Newsletter Editor: Bill Michaels

Joint Fun Float with the Maine Club

Our annual joint event with the Maine Club was held on Thursday, Sept 16th, in Kennebunk, Maine. The weather was pleasant, and we had a good turnout. The night before saw a thunderstorm go through the area, and there were still morning showers until 6 AM. By noon the weather had cleared into a nice warm, sunny cloudless afternoon. Members from our club who did make it included: Charlie and Bonnie Tebbetts, Eric Bertelsen, Bill McKeon, Tim Logan, Shaun Kimball, Bruce Murray, and Bob Prezioso. I got called into a work crisis the day before, so I had to cancel my trip to Maine. I was really sad to have missed it-- I had been looking forward to it for a long time!

While all reports say it was a good event, we have started the search for a new location. We are concerned that our event may eventually have to be moved away from Rogers Pond in Kennebunk, as the town is doing nothing to control the weed growth. If they continue to do nothing, the weeds will eventually overrun the pond and turn it into a swamp. As it is now, the vegetation overgrowth is between 1/3 to ½ of the pond's total surface area, and the Town said they have no immediate plans to do anything about the weeds....

Jerome Morris took a bunch of great photos. He posted them on the event thread on the regroups.com Scale Boats forum-- here's a selection. (Note: the originals are spectacular images, and worth looking up. I had to reduce the size of the images to keep the newsletter overall file size small enough to be able to email it to everyone.)



Below: Alan Owens' 1/96 USS John Paul Jones.



Below: Bill McKeon's "Whopper Stopper":



Below: Jonathan Eno's 1/48 scale USS Fletcher.



Shaun Kimball's 3-D printed tug on sea trials:



Tim Logan also provided a couple of photos:





Above: Eric Bertelsen's 1/96 Hospital Ship- based on the Navy's new Joint High Speed Support Vessel.

Below: Jerome Morris caught Bruce Murray's Lindberg Tug underway- the smallest tug at the event...



Some more of Jerome's photos: This is Tim Mayer's beautiful tug "Fort Valley":





Alan Owens' 1/96 scale USS Terror, a US Navy WW2 Minelayer:



Bob Prezioso's Century Thunder:



A steam-powered Seguin tug:







A close up of Eric Bertelsen's Hospital Ship, with a 3-D printed V-22 Osprey on the flight deck:





