



THE FOGHORN

*Newsletter of the Marine Modelers Club
of New England*

2022-- Our 32nd Year!!

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Upcoming Events

Saturday, August 27, 11am-3pm: Fun Float and Club Picnic at Memorial Park Beach in Sharon, MA. The theme is “Tugs and Workboats”.

Wednesday, September 14, 10am-4pm: Joint Fun Float with the Maine Club at the pond in Scarborough, Maine. (Rain date is 21 Sept.)



(Charlie Tebbetts' Lobster Boat at speed- photo courtesy of DownEast Photography)

MMC Members on TV!

WCVB Channel 5 Boston aired a 2 min piece on **Homeport Model Ships**, featuring club member Eric Bertelsen. Also appearing were Paul Phinney and Bob Waldie. The segment was aired as part of the station's "Made in Massachusetts" series. It was a very positive piece, and showed Homeport and the hobby in a very positive light.

In case you missed it, you can see it on the WCVB website:

<https://www.wcvb.com/article/model-ship-enthusiasts-create-remarkable-reproductions-of-navy-ships-made-in-mass/40900988>

Congratulations to Eric, Paul and Bob! Hopefully you can get their autographs on your glue bottle or something before Hollywood comes calling!

Sharon Day 2022

The Sharon Recreation Department has invited our club to participate in their "2nd Annual Sharon Day" program! The event will be held at our home port, Lake Massapoag, on Sunday, October 2, from 11-3. The organizers believe the event attendees will enjoy seeing our ships sailing on their town's lake!

The location for our sailing is on the beach adjacent to the boat ramp, which is just a bit further down the lake (to the east) from our usual spot. The organizers have designated the boat ramp area as our designated parking space, thus making it easier for us to set up and run our boats! Sharon is closing the boat ramp that day.

If you are planning to attend please note that you will need to be in the boat ramp parking area by 10:30 and must stay until 3:00. The town of Sharon will be shutting down the entrance to the boat ramp prior to the 11:00 start and the adjacent road will be closed to vehicular traffic until the event ends at 3:00.

The officers are currently working with the recreation department to finalize all the details so additional information for members planning to attend will be forthcoming. Among these details is the possible use of our "noodle tugs" for the young skippers that attend!

This is a marvelous opportunity for our club! Sharon has graciously allowed us to use Lake Massapoag for our "home port" for several years and now the town has reached out to include us in their community event. Their decision to set aside a parking area - just for us - is a good reflection on us and how we can benefit their community event.

- Frank Cook, Events Officer

July Fun Float at Tuscan Village

This Fun Float was held at the pond behind the LL Bean store at the Tuscan Village Shopping center in Salem, NH. We had a great turnout-- members attending included: Mike Hale, Bill and Kaja Michaels, Linda Arini, Charlie and Bonnie Tebbetts, Bob Prezioso, Shaun Kimbal, Alan and Susanne Beeber, Eric Bertelsen and Barbara Wyse, Harold Cohen, Lou Hill, Bruce Murray, Steve Fifield, Stu Gralnik, and Bob and Joyce Waldie.

We did have an issue with the weeds-- in the 3 weeks between my last visit and the day of the event, the weeds had really blossomed. Skippers had to be careful to steer around the larger clumps. The consensus was that it is a great site, but July may not be a the right month in the future!



(Linda Arini's Green Ripper – DownEast Photography)

You may notice that the photography in this issue is of much higher quality than the typical Foghorn cellphone photos. (No, I didn't suddenly acquire a new camera or new photography skills!) The great photos are thanks to Tim and Rose, of DownEast Photography.

Tim Swearingen is a friend of mine is also an ex-Navy submariner and co-owner of DownEast Photography- he stopped by (along with wife Rose) to check out the models and meet Kaja and I for lunch. Tim took all the great photos, and Rose did the processing work. (It is easy to spot which ones are their work-- they are the good ones!) More photos will be posted soon on the club website.



Above: Eric Bertelsen sent me this photo of the photographer taking photos of models....

Below: Eric's photo of two Japanese Destroyers-- WW2 and modern eras. Both are 1/96 scale.





Above: Stu Gralnik's 1/48 tug and railroad barge. Below: Bruce Murray's Miss Severn
(Photos by DownEast Photography)



For Sale: Bluejacket Shipcrafters

Nic Damuc, the owner of Bluejacket Shipcrafters in Searsport, ME, is planning to retire and he is looking for "a modeler who also possesses excellent business skills" to take over the company. Nic mentioned this in his July newsletter. He doesn't have a firm time frame because he wants to find the right person and has asked interested people to contact him. His contact info is: nic@bluejacketinc.com or call 207-548-9970.

For Sale: Five RC Boats

If a whole model boat company is more than you might want, Arthur Perlmutter has a few boats for sale: "I am downsizing my model boats and have 5 that I would like to sell. I have taken pictures and hope you can include them in the newsletter in case anyone from the club is interested."

Contact Arthur at 774-279-2186 or email him at aperlmutter6@verizon.net for more info.

(1) Reliance - 33 inches long, includes the stand and the radio \$100:



- (2) Bloodhound- World War I English torpedo boat, 29 inches long, includes radio and stand, \$100:



- (3) Fishing boat- 32 inches, includes radio and stand \$100:



- (4) Northlight- English Clyde Puffer model boat that has both sound and smoke, includes radio and stand \$150 or best offer.



- (5) Mahogany steam launch- (2 photos) 35 inches, includes stand, needs steam boiler \$150 or best offer.



2022 Club Events Schedule
(rev. 8/15/22)

Date	Time	Event/Theme	Location
Sunday, 20 Feb.	1pm - 3pm	Zoom Meeting	Your house
Sunday, 20 March	1pm - 3pm	Zoom Meeting	Your house
Sunday, 24 April	10am - 2pm	Icebreaker	Sharon
Sunday, 15 May	10am - 2pm	Fun Float/ Sailboats	Sharon
Saturday, 4 June	11am - 5pm	Piscataqua RiverFest	Portsmouth, NH
Wednesday, 15 June	11am - 4pm	Joint Fun Float with Maine Club (rain date 22 June)	Scarborough, ME
Sunday, 10 July	10am - 2pm	Fun Float/ Warships	LL Bean Store, Tuscan Village, Salem, NH
Saturday, 27 August		Fun Float/Club picnic/ Tugs and other Workboats	Sharon
Wednesday, 14 Sept	11am - 4pm	Joint Fun Float with Maine Club (rain date 21 Sept)	Scarborough, ME
Sunday, 2 October	10am - 3pm	Fun Float and Exhibition at Sharon Day	Sharon, MA
Saturday, 15 Oct	4pm - 7pm	Night Run	Sharon
Sunday, 13 Nov.	12pm - 3pm	Indoor Meeting	UCC Church Hall, Medfield, MA
Sunday, 4 Dec.	12pm - 4pm	Holiday Dinner @ Prezzo Grille	Milford, MA