



THE FOGHORN

***Newsletter of the Marine Modelers Club
of New England***

2016-- Our 27th Year!!

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Upcoming Meetings

Sunday, July 10, 11am – 3 pm: On-the-water at the Community Center Beach in Sharon, MA. The Center is on Dubinsky Drive, on the east side of the lake. If you are asked for a Pass to enter the parking lot, tell the attendant that you're with the Marine Modelers. If that doesn't work, give Ed Arini a call on his cell and he'll meet you at the entrance. (The number is listed above.)

Sunday, July 24, 3:30- 6 pm: Fun run at Redd's Pond in Marblehead, MA. This is a lovely site. We are going later than normal because the RC sailors are running a races earlier in the day.

Saturday -Sunday, August 6-7: Salem Maritime Festival. It is a special two-day event this year, so we'll need help on one or both days!

Treasurer's Note

At this point in the year- we only have 26 people paid up for 2016 so far. Ed will be at the float this Sunday to take your dues, or you can mail them to him at the address in the header. The membership form is posted on the club website. This will be the Foghorn you'll be getting if you haven't yet "Paid the Man"!!

June Meeting Report

Sunday, June 12 was a beautiful sunny day, with a nice breeze. Too nice at first, as Eric Bertelsen arrived early with his 1/96 scale ships, and found the lake to be too gusty and rough for sailing. But by the time most of us had arrived, the wind had veered more to the west. This meant the shore we were on was sheltered by the trees, and there was no fetch to build up waves. As the day wore on the wind shifted a little more, even more to our benefit-- so we generally had pretty calm seas for the rest of the day.

Members in attendance: Eric Bertelsen, Gaspar LaColla, Ed and Linda Arini, Bill Michaels, Bob and Johanna Okerholm, Bob Prezioso, Shaun Kimball, George Gargano, Mike Hale, Charlie Tebbets, Paul Sales, and Arthur Perlmutter.

As the Foghorn Editor, I have to say that this location is not my favorite. With the south facing beach, the sun is always behind the models on the water, making it harder to get shots for the newsletter. I was able to capture a few decent ones, so all is not lost.....

There were quite a few models present- almost 20, I think. Here's a view of the tables, and some of them. In the distance you can see Arthur, Ed, two Bobs, Paul, and Johanna.



George Gargano brought along his Go-Pro camera and a tripod. For those not familiar with it, the Go-Pro series of cameras are waterproof action cameras that take photos or videos. They are popular with the action sports crowd-- they can be mounted almost anywhere, and skiers, surfers, mountain bikers, etc. use them to shoot all sorts of action videos.

George took his camera, mounted it on a tripod, and set it up about 15 feet offshore. The lens of the camera was just above the water level. He was looking to capture videos of the models sailing by at a very low viewing angle-- looking up at the model makes it look much more realistic. You can view the video here: https://youtu.be/OIA1m8C0N_c



Here's a shot of George setting up the camera. You can see the camera sitting on the top-most piece of the tripod, just above the water's surface. In the distance is Charlie Tebbet's Chris Craft. (Which can be seen in it's cinematic close up debut, in the You Tube video!)

Here's a shot taken from the video George shot that day. Shaun Kimball's USCGC Goliath is in the foreground, while Charlie's Chris Craft looks very realistic behind it....



Here's a shot of Bob Prezioso's Donzi:



Here is Gaspar's USCG Patrol Boat Monomoy...



Here's George's RTR tug and Bill Michaels' Springer tug:



Your editor didn't totally forget about the camera in his pocket! Here's a shot I took of Arthur Perlmutter's tug Michael P. Shaun's USCG Tug is standing by just offshore, as it looks like the Michael P might be about to go hard aground....!



Editor's Notes

First off, my thanks to George Gargano for bringing his camera to the float, and for sharing the videos he took. It was great to have some action shots from a new perspective! I had a lot of fun scrolling back and forth through the video, picking out images to put in the newsletter.

Second, I want to call your attention to the Salem Maritime Festival this August. This year's event is going to be a two-day affair. We will be manning the portable pool with the Noodle Tugs, and have a large display area. This is a big event for us, as the Festival pays the club to be there. (Because we are one of the most popular exhibitors!) We will need help for set-up, manning the booth during the two days, and tear-down.

Look for more details in next month's Foghorn.....

2016 Schedule

(updated 25 June 2016)

DATE	EVENT
Sunday, April 24 11am -3pm	Icebreaker Fun Float-- Our first on-the-water event of the season. Memorial Park Beach, Sharon.
<i>Saturday, April 30</i>	<i>Northeast Model Ship Conference, New London, CT</i>
Sunday, May 15 11am - 3pm	On-the-water at Silver Lake in Wilmington, MA. Theme: Military/Gov't Vessel day
Sunday, June 12 11am - 3pm	On-the-water at Memorial Park Beach in Sharon, MA. Theme: TBD
Sunday, July 10 10am - 2pm	On-the-water at Memorial Park Beach in Sharon, MA. Parking Pass required in order to enter the park
07/24/30 03:30 PM	Fun Run at Redd's Pond, Marblehead, MA
<i>Sunday, July 24</i>	<i>Empire State Model Ship Club Regatta, Flushing, NY</i>
Saturday - Sunday, August 6 -7, 8am - 4pm	Salem Maritime Festival Static display and Noodle Tugs in the portable pool!
Sunday, August 14 11am - 3pm	On-the-water at Memorial Park Beach in Sharon, MA. Theme: TBD
<i>Saturday-Sunday, August 20-21</i>	<i>Antique and Classic Boat Show, Salem, MA</i>
<i>Sunday, August 21</i>	<i>Task Force 50 Regatta, York, PA</i>
<i>Saturday, September 10</i>	<i>Submarine Fun Run, Sub Base Groton, CT</i>
<i>Sunday, September 11</i>	<i>Patcon 2016 Scale Model Show, Hudson, MA</i>
Saturday, September 25 11am -3pm	On-the-water event at Silver Lake in Wilmington, MA.
<i>Saturday, October 01</i>	<i>Yankee Steam Up, East Greenwich, RI</i>
<i>Friday-Sunday, October 7-9</i>	<i>1/96 scale Fleet Run, Rocky Mount NC.</i>
Sunday, October 15 2 – 7pm	Club Picnic and Day/Night Run at Memorial Beach Park in Sharon. Rain date is Sunday.
Sunday, November 13 1-4 pm	Indoor Meet, Election of Officers, Program TBD, at UCC Church Hall in Medfield, MA.
Sunday, December 4, 12-4pm	Holiday Dinner

Note: Items in *purple italics* are not club-sponsored events- they are listed here because we felt they may be of interest to our members and friends.

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