



The St. Louis Admirals R/C Model Boat Club

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BROADSIDE

26 April 2019

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NOW HEAR THIS YOUR COMMODORE FROM THE BRIDGE



Our member, Emil Wolfshoefer, had the opportunity and was kind enough to contact Sunset Hills Parks Department on behalf of the Admirals Club to ascertain if we might be able to run our boats at one of their lakes. I provided requested information to the Parks Department and hope to hear from them about the possibility of holding our Regattas at their lake.

Phil Frisch was able to obtain a boat from Gary Harman, which Gary kindly donated as he is in the process of selling his business building. Phil, we are looking forward to seeing what you are able to do with this boat as we understand it needs lots of attention.

Scheduled Events	
Wednesday, 1 May 2019	Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, 5 June 2019	Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, 3 July 2019	Monthly Meeting

NOTES

Next Gathering: Wednesday, 1 May 2019

Prior to our 5 PM monthly 1st Wednesday-of-the-month dinner-meeting, sailing is from 2-4 PM at our usual St Ferdinand Pond, Florissant, MO – weather permitting. Dinner set for 5:00 PM at our **Hendel’s Restaurant**, 599 St Denis, Florissant, MO 63033, followed by our 7:00 PM meeting at our meeting place at the **Old St. Ferdinand Shrine**, the **Old School House**, 1 St. Francois Street, Florissant, MO.

3rd Sunday every month (2-4 pm), March thru November: Sailing at St Ferdinand Pond -- weather permitting.

Gratefully,
Jane
Commodore

Secretary's 3 April 2019 Meeting Minutes

Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance:

Commodore Jane opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. at Old St. Ferdinand Shrine, the Old School House. There were 12 members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Paul Kirby.

Reports, Administration -- Segment

1. Commodore's Opening Comments:

- A. Just spoke with Betty, Norm Kalaskie's wife, and he is recuperating at home and was just released from the Rehabilitation Center yesterday. We are pleased to hear he is recovering nicely.
- B. With Spoke to Geneva Disher last night and both she and Luther are ok, but unfortunately, they had a minor fender bender. The only damage was to the vehicle.
- C. Desiree, Dave St. Clair's daughter, just informed me that the family will have a memorial service on Saturday, 22 June 2019, at Chapel Hill Mortuary in Chapel Hill MO, to run boats on the lake, and Desiree will provide us with more details as they become available. Everyone is invited.
- D. Gary Harmon is trying to sell his building and has several models to give-away and for sale (see attached list).
- E. **BlueSky Apparel t-shirts:** T-shirts can be ordered. The cost is with only the front logo up to size L \$10.00 plus tax, and with logo on back and front up to size L and XL is \$15.00 plus tax. Sizes 2XL and larger and long sleeve are an additional cost. Patches hat size and shirt patch are \$10.00 each.

- 2. **Secretary's Meeting Minutes Report – Bob Keeler:** Presented the minutes of the March 2019 meeting which were published/printed in the March 2019 Broadside newsletter. Motion to approve the meeting minutes as printed was made by John Ziemer, seconded by George Kirby. Motion approved.
- 3. **Treasurer's Report – Lin Blaszkiewicz:** Lynn Blaszkiewicz gave reports for March and April. John Ziemer made a motion to accept the March and April reports; seconded by George Kirby. Motion passed.
- 4. **Vice Commodore -- Comments/Actions – Kent Morgan:** Kent spent a couple of weeks in Florida where he was able to visit with Russ Wick and his wife who spend 6 months down there. Kent reported that there is over 120 different clubs one can belong to, including RC boating clubs. Russ brought his Lexington battle cruiser boat down there and continues to work on it.
- 5. **Asst. Vice-Commodore Comments – John Ziemer –** John checked out Cuiver River State Park about running our RC boats. Park ranger said he had no problem as long as we only ran electric boats and didn't bother the fishermen. There is a swimming area that we could use as long as there were no swimmers. There are also canoes we could rent to retrieve our boats.
- 6. **Secretary Comments – Bob Keeler –** Bob was in Mark Twain talking with Darren Vancour who said the Boathouse in Forest Park had contacted him about giving an RC boat demonstration. Darren was still in the process of setting up a date and wondered if we would be interested in participating if he could get his contact's approval.
- 7. **Commodore -- Comments/Actions:**
 - A. **Amendment of By-Laws:** under revision (as previously voted on). Kent brought up the fact that many clubs have statements in the by-laws telling how to dispose of money and other assets if/when the club folds. It may be other similar clubs, museums, charitable organizations, etc. It was decided that Commodore Jane would send out a draft of the Constitution and By-Laws to the officers for review and suggestions on additions or

revisions before presenting the revisions to the membership for approval. In addition, we will take an audit to list club assets. If any member has club items, please report them to Bob Keeler at keepad@aol.com (since he has most of the club assets).

7. Treasurer Comments – Lin Blaszkiewicz – No Report

8. Membership Comments – Lin Blaszkiewicz – We had one new member join.

Boat Club Items and Notices of Interest -- Segment:

- 1. Annual Regatta:** The Boat House in Forest Park, only Sunday, 29 September 2019 for our Fall 2019 Regatta
- 2.** An alternate location option is to hold our Fall Regatta at Village North Lake on our usual Saturday weekend day in September (in this case, 28 September 2019). Also, I am still in the process of obtaining information from Village North about the possibility of holding a Spring Regatta at their Lake. So far Commodore Jane has been unable to reach the Administrator.
- 3. Dues:** Commodore Jane requests all to please keep dues current. Lyn Blaszkiewicz made a motion to send reminder postcards to members at renewal time after the May meeting; Paul Kirby seconded the motion. Motion passed. Dues are \$30 per year if you receive newsletter by email; \$40 if you receive newsletter by mail.
- 4. SSMA Individual Membership Renewal Information:** Let Bob Keeler know when you have renewed so he can keep track for club insurance purposes. If you haven't joined yet, give it a try. They have a really nice and interesting magazine well worth the price of membership. Send dues to the SSMA Membership Director: Heinz Ricken, SSMA Clubs/Membership Director, 514 Cranford Avenue, Cranford, NJ 07016.
- 5.** Collection was held for St. Ferdinand School House.

Articles/Presentations/Show-and-Tell/ Meeting Segments:

1. Articles Meeting Segment: Admiral's Club Newsletter Voluntary Articles (as of 6 March 2019, updated monthly): Completed and submitted voluntary articles to be published in an appropriate month of the Admiral's Club Newsletter. Please contact Commodore Jane if you have any ideas, thoughts or wishes for future presentations or article topics.

2. Presentations Meeting Segment:

A. Past Presentations

Phase 1:

R/C Components:

Propellers – October 2017 – Kent Morgan
Electric Motors -- February 2018 meeting: Bob Keeler
Batteries – March 2018 meeting: Michael Benefield
Servos- April 2018: Bob Keeler

Phase 3:

Ship/Boat Structures:

Sailing/Sail Boats -- January 2018 meeting: Michael Benefield

Phase 7:

The Practical/Attainable Workshop:

Making our model boat-building hobby easier, faster, safer or just more fun – November 2018 meeting:
Bill Kammermeyer.

- B. Future Presentation Topic Schedule/Sequence** (as of 6 March 2019): All topic presentations are temporarily held in abeyance, and in the interim, they will be individually conducted on an ad hoc basis. In addition, during this temporary period, topic presentations and presenters will be announced whenever practical (*refer to the April 2018 Newsletter for Phase details*).

Phase 1: *R/C Components (continued), Electronic Speed Control, etc.*

Phase 2: *R/C Systems: Transmitters, Receivers, Components, etc.*

Phase 3: *Ship/Boat Structures (continued), hulls, superstructures, etc.*

Phase 4: *Ship/Boat Kit- and Scratch-Building Common Areas*

Phase 5: *Ship/Boat Kit Unique Building Techniques*

Phase 6: *Ship/Boat Scratch Unique Building Techniques*

Phase 7: *The Practical/Attainable Workshop (continued)*

- C. Presentation Ideas List** (as of 6 March 2019): Suggested ideas for future Admiral's club-meeting presentations and related published articles (including non-presentation articles) for the Admiral's Club monthly newsletters. Please feel free to suggest to Commodore Jane additional ideas that a club member may want to have added to this list:

History of SS Admiral
History of Eads built Civil War Gunboats
History of the USS St Louis
Special Mississippi and Missouri River boats
Unusual barge loads and boats (i.e. aircraft and submarines)
Barge Designs
Lock and dam operations.

3. Show and Tell Meeting Segment:

- a) John Ziemer inquired what size of fiber glass he should use to repair an area of damage hull. It is a wood hull not presently fiber glassed. Phil Frisch suggested 3/4 oz cloth. Others agreed that thin glass should be used to better fit hull contour.
- b) Bob Keeler mentioned that there's a new toy. It's a submarine quad copter that takes pictures underwater. It's tethered since it uses 2.4 gig htz which doesn't reach underwater.

Round Table Discussion – Meeting Segment: None

Next Meeting: Wednesday 1 May 2019 at Old St. Ferdinand Shrine, the old School House. Sailing at St. Ferdinand Pond from 2PM – 4 PM weather permitting, before the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, Bob Keeler

FOR SALE

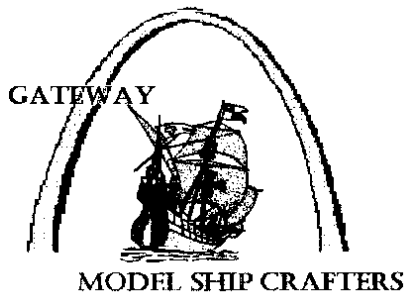
Gary Harman has the following kits for sale...without radios.

Amati Models: Arno XI Ferrari Timosso Hydroplane Racer Great kit and plans, R/C capable LOA 24" No longer in production. Mint condition.	500.00
Graupner Models: Pegasus III Yatch w/2 motors and 2 speed controls 48" LOA Vac formed hull and superstructure, Great fittings and plans, R/C capable. No longer in production. Mint condition.	550.00
Louis Marx Models: 54' Chris Craft Constallation. All plastic kit from the late 1950's. 30" LOA. Previous owner did a poor paint job on the hull and deck that should be redone. Could be a beautiful boat if finished properly. R/C capable.	100.00
Glenco Models: SS United States plastic kit 22" LOA Could be an R/C Boat with the right engineering! Mint condition.	40.00
Pocher Models: (car kit) Alfa Romeo 8C-2300 Monza. 1930's GP racer. Pocher is the Rolls-Royce of model kits. This kit is also out of production and very hard to find. Mint condition.	700.00

I also have various smaller kits of boats, planes & military models, to many to mention here. Come by and shop!!!

Give me a call 618-560-6036. Buyer must pick up these items at my office:
5251 Pattison Ave. St. Louis, MO 63110
CASH ONLY

Bill Kammermeyer, President
636 230-3921



Meeting: 18 April 2019

Gather at 6:30 p.m. Meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.

The Workshop of Bill Kammermeyer

1533 Carman Rd

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April Meeting:

Gateway Shipcrafters continues with their latest efforts on their individual elements for our Ironclad Project and their anticipated follow up activities. Due to the resignation of the Secretary this will be an abbreviated report.

USS St. Louis" Project Status:



- 1) Bread and butter layup for cutter mold. Just sand and file the high spots down to the low spots and you have a hull.



- 2) Bow deck fully planked and tunneled



- 3) Steam engines with valve lifters in place



4) Scraping the casement sides smooth and level using 1 in by 3 in piece of glass cut for this purpose. This removes 10 times the amount of material as coarse sanding does in the same amount of time.



5) Plank in hurricane deck headed that will cover attachments off deck to casement and be a base for the hammock racks.



6) View of port side showing improved interior viewing modifications.



7) Bow gun ports sanded to fit gun port uniform jig. Half inch, power finger belt sander makes quick work of reducing even the hard maple end-grain at the bottom of the ports.

I hope to see you there,

Bill Kammermeyer

The Innsbrook Armchair Society - Skippers of the sailboats
and guests skippers from the St. Louis Admirals R/C Boat Club Michael and Jane Benefield



Jane Benefield



Michael Benefield



Bob Soderholm, Bob Goulding (our host) Larry Foresman and Bill Moran



Sailboats at the lake Innsbrook, MO

From the Commodore:

The April 2019 SSMA Journal had a wonderful article in it. The founder of our organization, Tom O'Dell, built many tugboats and sold some of them throughout the years. Gary Dickinson, who used to come to our Regattas when they were held at Union Station in St. Louis, wrote an article for the SSMA. Gary saw the Hartman fiberglass tug boat on E-Bay and he was the only bidder. The tugboat needed some updates and Gary, who belongs to the North Florida O.R.C.A.S. received some help from his club friends.



Bill Dion's "Paula Ann", Fishing "dragger" trawler coming up on Gary Dickinson's "Tom O'Dell"

Mike Tool, Editor, for the SSMA was kind enough to send a copy of the April journal to Ellen O'Dell, Tom's widow, and she was very grateful to be able to share this journal with her family.

Thank you to Gary Dickinson for sharing your story.

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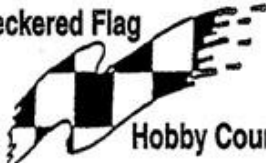

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