



The St. Louis Admirals R/C Model Boat Club

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NOTICE:

**The next meeting will be held on Aug 4, 2008 at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church,
33 N. Clay Ave, Ferguson, MO 63135**

NOW HEAR THIS

FROM THE BRIDGE



The time is World War II. The *USS SILVERSIDES*, a fleet type submarine, is gliding along the surface of the Koi Sea on two main engines and has just completed a full

charge on her batteries. From below, the radar operator suddenly calls out, "Multiple blips on radar, bearing 045." Captain Jim calls out, "Lookouts below. Clear the bridge. Dive! Dive!" He hits the diving alarm and the klaxon blares out, "Aoooooga, aoooooga."

The lookouts tumble from their perches and scramble for the bridge hatch, and then head to the control room to rig out and man the bow planes. The last man coming down from the bridge yanks on the lanyard to shut the hatch, and the boat starts to rapidly settle beneath the waves.

"Take her to 65 feet," says Captain Jim. The boat levels off at periscope depth and the old man is already taking a look in the direction of the contacts. "I can see multiple ships – some towboats with barges, tugs, a couple of patrol craft. Wait a

minute. I also see some pleasure boats, a couple of side-wheel paddle wheelers, a stern-wheeler, a sailboat, and a fast runabout. What gives?"

Well, if you haven't guessed by now, you are not reading a new edition of *Run Silent, Run Deep*. It seems that Captain Jim has just sailed himself into the middle of the St. Louis Admirals 2008 Regatta at the Union Station ponds (the Koi Sea should have been an early giveaway).

Each year for the past twenty, our Club boat builders, along with other boat modelers from all over the US, have come to St. Louis to sail their craft, pick up some awards and trophies, and have a thoroughly wonderful weekend of hobby enjoyment. Our Regatta will happen again this year on the weekend of September 20-21. It is a time to renew old acquaintances, talk about hobby problems solved and unsolved, meet some new people, and explain what is involved with this wonderful, fun RC hobby of ours.

I thoroughly enjoy walking along the tables and seeing the many types of craft that people have labored over to create remarkable replicas. Perhaps, even more, I enjoy seeing all of the many boats out on the ponds, some clipping through the waves of

the ponds, while others push their ponderous tows around the “Koi Sea.” Maybe I’m still just a kid at heart with an imagination, but by seeing model boats and ships sailing upon the waters, I can detach myself from the worries of the economy, terrorism, and natural disasters, and just for a few minutes take pleasure in a thing as simple as a fine craft sailing across the waves. Sometimes life can be good.....



So please make sure that you have the Regatta dates marked on your calendar -SEPTEMBER 20-21. If you are bringing one or more boats, please send in your registration (forms have been in the Newsletter and are available on our website), and get your boats ready for some fun sailing. “Surface.”

“Aooooga. Aooooga. Aooooga.”

Commodore Jim

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Aug 4, 2008 sail at St. Ferdinand Lake 1:00-5:00PM (weather permitting) 5:00 PM Dinner at Applebee’s, 2309 N Highway 67, Florissant, MO 63033, and 7:00 PM meeting at St. Stephens Church.
Aug 17, 2008 sail at St. Ferdinand Lake 2:00-4:00PM (weather permitting)

Membership Dues ###Please take note of the following: ###

Dues for new members will be prorated on a per month basis based upon our beginning of May 1st dues. Please make checks (no cash) payable to “St Louis Admirals R/C Model Boat Club” in the amount of \$30.00. Send checks (no cash) to

Dave St. Clair
 4623 Dulin Creek Road
 House Springs, MO 63051

PS If you would like to have your e-mail address included for receipt of the Broadside and other publications, please include it on a separate sheet of paper, to my attention. If you have moved since your last renewal, please note change of address, etc.

Thank you, Dave St. Clair

Commodore Jim called the July 7, 2008 to order at 7:21P.M, twenty-five (25) members attending.

Secretary's report

Minutes for June as published in the newsletter are approved as written.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer' report approved.

Health Concerns/New Members

Welcome Chuck Greco who joins us via Google and our online web site.

Commodore's Comments

A gentleman from the United Kingdom, who found the Admirals by way of our web site, dropped by St Ferdinand Park to say hello. A pleasant surprise, so surprising that no one got his name!

Commodore Jim received an inquiry from the Illinois DNR offering to allow us to run boats at the Illinois State Fair in a few weeks. Due to the short notice Jim declined for 08 and requested a much earlier inquiry in 09.

Raffle

The Mark Twain raffle took place with Steve O'Dell and Tom Eckert the winners for July.

Break: A brief break was taken at 7:41 the program resumed at 8:05 with a Special event.

Special Event:

Ellen O'Dell, via son Steve, brought a number of items from Tom's collection. These items included many books, nautical items and boat plans. These items where to be auctioned off to the membership with the proceeds going to the boat club treasury. Luther Disher volunteered to be the auctioneer. He did an excellent job. The auction lasted from 8:05 to 8:53. When it was over ALL of the items where sold. **Thank you very much Ellen.**

Old Business

Kathleen Bray, Union Station Regatta committee chair regatta reminded the staff to arrange for the rental tables for the regatta.

Ray Sepanski presented to the membership the concept of the revised participation plaques, a mock up of the winner awards, first through third. All were approved by the membership.

Dave St. Clair set up a work party date of July 22nd to assemble awards, in his basement. Participants will be Dave, Commodore Jim, Tom Eckert, Norm Kalaskie and Ray Sepanski.

Phil Danielson has agreed to provide a real boat, with motor to do the on the water work for the regatta.

Jane Rivers appealed to the membership for **MORE** articles for the newsletter. With such a plea can recipes and knitting instructions be far behind?

Ed Gant events chair talked the potential for the Paducah show in late September. He inquired as to the number of those who might attend in spite of gasoline prices. Five members responded. Host management plans for this event are very much up in the air.

Guest Speaker:

At the August 4th meeting Rob Davinroy will be the guest speaker. Rob is a civil engineer with the Corps of Engineers. He has developed and installed many structures intended to control water flow on the western rivers. He plans to speak for a while then open it up to a question and answer period.

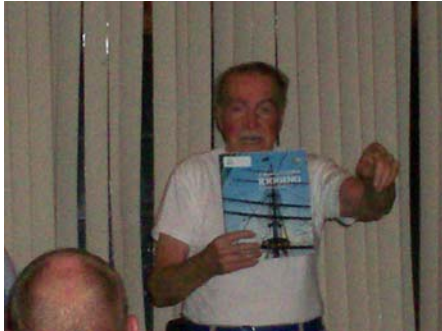
Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 9:14 P.M.

Tentative 2008 meeting dates are: September 8 (Labor Day is on the 1st), Regatta on September 20-21
October 6, 2008 November 3, 2008 December 1, 2008 Subject to availability by St. Stephen's Church.



Auction pictures by
Paul Kirby



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The Auction was a great success, thanks to all the members who purchased Tom's memorabilia. What a wonderful way to honor Tom's memory. Jane Rivers, Editor



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R/C Model Boat Club
20th Annual Regatta

Union Station in St. Louis, MO

September 20 – 21, 2008



IN MEMORIUM
Past Commodore
Cap'n Shanghai
Tom O'Dell
January 15, 2008

The St. Louis Admirals are proud to announce their 20th Annual Regatta at St. Louis Union Station Lake. This event is open to the public and anyone interested in model boating at no charge. The only cost is to enter a boat in competition at the show. As usual, we are inviting electric and sail (sorry, no gas powered boats or steam boats due to Union Station regulations) to join in the fun. We will have trophies to be awarded in 9 classes plus Best of Show, Skippers Choice, and the Union Station Award. **Each boat must qualify as a fully operational R/C Model as determined by club officials.**

Please be sure your correct frequency is marked on your transmitter and that you have attached a nametag with phone number. Boats that won 1st place in their class, Best of Show or Skippers choice last year cannot be judged this year. The awards are for amateur builders, not professional builders. All such decisions will be made by Club Officials.

Registration starts at 0800 hours (8:00 a.m.), until noon Saturday, September 20th. The fun will begin at 10:00 a.m. lasts all day and evening until 2200 hours or (10:00 p.m.) Sunday, September 21th starts at 0900 hours (9:00 a.m., or start earlier if you like) until 1300 hours (1:00 p.m.) Awards will be presented at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday.

PERSONS IN CHARGE OF REGATTA

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Kathleen Bray, Registration 314-837-7603

For more detailed information on the Regatta or lodging, call or e-mail Kathleen Bray at 314-837-7603 or kdltn@yahoo.com
PLEASE NOTE: Hwy 40 is closed between I-170 and Ballas Rd., along with additional construction to the east. Please take this into consideration when making arrangements to attend the event!!!

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First, second and third place trophies will be presented in each of the nine classes.

Ships in Scale Best of Show Award will be chosen by a select group of judges.

Skippers Choice Award will be selected by all who have entered a boat.

Union Station Award will be chosen by the Union Station Marketing Staff.

Copy this form and **use one for each boat entered**. Your club name: _____

20th REGATTA REGISTRATION FORM – Fill out one form for each boat!

Name _____

Vessels

Address _____

Boats

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Pleasure

Email _____

Boat Name & Description _____

Return form & check to: Kathleen Bray, 1760 Arundel Drive, Florissant, MO 63033

Make check payable to: St. Louis Admirals Model Boat Club

Pre-registration Fees: \$15 one boat. Two boats \$25. Each additional boat – FREE!

Day of Event Registration: \$15 one boat. Two boats \$30. Each additional boat – FREE!

Be sure all of your boats are finished and in good running order!

For safety reasons transmitters will be impounded!

CLASS (check one)

- Sail Boats
- Commercial
- Tug Boats
- River Work
- Mil & Gov.
- Submarines
- Runabouts,
- Miniature Boats
- Scratch Built
- RTR/Not Judged

Radio Frequency

YOUR MODEL BOAT WILL FALL INTO ONE OF THESE CLASSES

SAIL BOATS

Includes all boats powered by wind. They may also have Auxiliary motors.

OCEAN GOING COMMERCIAL VESSELS

Types include cruise ships, ocean liners, freighters, cargo ships, tankers, trawlers/fishing and research vessels

TUG BOATS

Types include all tugs.

COMMERCIAL RIVER WORK BOATS

Types include towboats with or w/o barges, powered gambling boats, ferries, all types of paddle wheels and other working river craft.

RUNABOUTS & PLEASURE BOATS

Types include all racing and speed boats, fast electrics, mahogany runabouts, cabin cruisers, pontoon boats, house boats, sport fishing boats and personal watercraft. No gas powered boats.

MILITARY & GOVERNMENT

Types include Navy, Coast Guard, Marine, Army, Army Corps of Engineers, landing craft, police, fireboats, buoy tenders patrol and rescue craft of any nation.

SUBMARINES (Nuclear and Non-Nuclear)

Any type, size or country.

MINIATURE BOATS

Any type of R/C model boat that is no more than 16" in overall length OR no more than 3" at maximum beam. *Your boat may exceed one but not both dimensions and still enter this class. *Sidewheelers will be measured across the hull, not the paddle boxes. Outriggers, catamarans and trimarans will have all hull and outrigger hull dimensions added together for a total hull measurement not to exceed 3".

SCRATCH BUILT

Any type or size of boat allowed. Builder can bring plans and/or other documentation to aid the judges. The hull, deck and superstructure must be scratch built.

READY TO RUN / ARFs (Not Judged)

Types include all crafts bought ready to run.

Judging Rules: Peer judging applies. All entries and judging shall be reviewed by a committee.



• **St Louis Admirals 2008 Regatta**

Dates for this year's 20th Annual Regatta are September 20 and 21.

From Kathleen Bray

Block of Rooms (10) at Drury Inn, 201 S 20th St, St Louis, MO 63103

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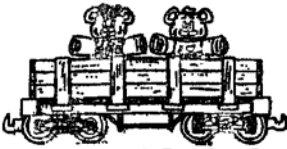
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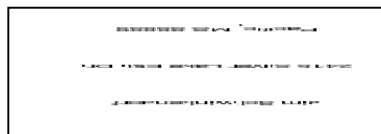
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