



# The Bilge Pump

The Official Log of the Northwest R/C Ship Modelers Club

## November 2016

### Upcoming Events

#### November

- 12 Springer Polo—Chinn Pool  
11am—1pm
- 19 Secret Santa Sale - Galaxy  
Hobby 7-9pm
- 26 BE THANKFUL YOU ARE  
NOT A TURKEY

#### December

- 3 Holiday Dinner  
6:30 — 9 PM

**LESS THAN 2 WEEKS  
TO MAKE YOUR  
DINNER  
RESERVATION**

**SEE PAGE 6 FOR INFORMATION  
ON THE DECEMBER  
BANQUET**



### **View From The Bridge**

The big news is that we have a new slate of officers to lead the club for the next year.

But before discussing that, the most immediate matter is the Christmas dinner on December 1<sup>st</sup>. It is only three weeks away! Please get your reservations and payment to Mel Suelzle right away. It is going to be the usual delicious repast at the Old Spaghetti Factory. You can print out the form on page six of this newsletter and send in to Mel.

New blood! The newly elected club officers are....Drum Roll Please....**Mel Suelzle** as president, **Bryan Morse** as vice-president, **Paul Williams** as Treasurer/Membership, and **Amos Aarsvold** as newsletter editor. We should all be thankful that these men are willing to put in the effort to keep this club working for the members' benefit. And a big "Thank You" to the outgoing officers: **David White**, **Ed Maurer** Treasurer (for the last eleven years!), **Mel Suelzle** as newsletter editor and various other functions, and **Alan and Darlene Wing**.

We have something to look forward to next winter and spring. Spearheaded by Seattle Yacht Club member **Steve Sunich**, SYC has graciously given permission for us to operate from their dock area for the fun floats in January, February, and March. They aren't particularly busy during these months, and it is a blessing for us. It's a potentially sheltered area, compared to the open-to-the-elements expanse of Lake Ballenger. Of course we will look forward to their usual hospitality during Opening Week in May.

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## Meeting November 3rd Dr Ron

On an unusually sunny warm day in November our commodore, **Scott Bauman**, called the meeting to order with 22 members and 1 guest attending. He recommended a net flix movie he recently viewed ( The Finest Hour) as it was in a nautical vein. The December dinner meeting was discussed and more members were urged to sign up as we need somewhere in the neighborhood of 40 to reserve the room. **Mel** will be taking reservations, payment and dinner choices. The deadline is the 20<sup>th</sup> of this month.

Thanks to **Steve Sunich** we will be having the fun floats for January, February and March at the Seattle Yacht Club as this is a protected and much more pleasant location than windy Ballinger. New members were advised not to purchase DH6 transmitters on E-bay as there are no receivers available. It was announced that **Norm Hiatt** recently lost his wife after fifty some years together.



Show and tell started with **Mel** demonstrating the progress he is making with his HMS Kite build. This is a coastal defense gun boat built in 1870 and scrapped in 1920. There is considerable detail to this model and is taking a little longer than planned to complete.

**Robert Osmond** brought in a fast dragster racing boat he built some years ago and a WW2 schnel boat hydrofoil kit he received as a gift from his wife.



Photos, Courtesy of Robert Osmond



**Phil Northrup** showed his miniature tug attached to a barge both of which have drive mechanisms. There are red lights which illuminate in reverse and white ones for forward motion. He has used fuel tubing for the universal joints.



**Tom Stevens** reported on how to remove rust from an item using a 5 gallon bucket lined with stainless steel and filled with a soda solution. Current is applied by a battery charger or power supply. Details can be obtained by contacting Tom or **Marvin Waldin**.



**Paul Williams** has been volunteering as a docent at the Future of Flight Museum and has been able to use their 3D printer to create plastic items. Apparently they are willing to tutor one willing to help them with their displays.

During the break **Ron Bull** who was a guest seeking advice on how to rig his sailboat departed before our business was started. The only major item of business was election of officers. **Paul Williams** volunteered to take **Ed Maurer's** position which he has held for many years. **Amos Aarsvold** stepped up and volunteered to take the job of the Bilge Pump editor. **Bryon Morse** said he would take the VP position which left the office of president up for election. **Mel Suelzle** was nominated and it was moved that the nominations be closed which was readily approved.

The meeting concluded at 2010 and everyone stacked the chairs and headed for home ports. Winners of the drawings were **Tom Stevens**, **Dave White** and **Phil Northrup**.



## North End Report—Keith Schermerhorn

Here we are in the middle of fall and all sort of elections. On Monday the 7<sup>th</sup>, 6 people elected to come on down for our monthly meeting. No debates, no arguing, and only score kept was the updates on the Sea-hawk's game.

Some discussions ensued with events from last couple of months. Larry gave us an update on the seasons sailing events that have now concluded. Congratulations to Larry for winning the big events at Coulon park, placing 3<sup>rd</sup> at another big series, and competing in the marathon races in San Francisco. Continued sailing during the winter at Deception Pass.

Some quick discussions next on some fun events coming up including the commercial fish expo and dinner with NW R/C Ship Modelers on December 1<sup>st</sup>. The main discussion for the evening was to verify that we will be holding our annual Pig Out meeting on December 5<sup>th</sup>. This is a potluck and all attending are asked to bring a dish to share for this. Also, please remember to bring your own service utensils/plates. Recommend getting there a little early so we can get to eating by 7pm. The main topic of the evening is to share time and friendship from the past events for this year and celebrate another fun year of model boating. This event is open to all and welcome to attend.

Show and tell was a bit sparse. Keith showed off the small 6" chop saw that was getting an new extended base so that cutting longer items could be done. Also showed the props that were made by Gary King to fit the kort nozzels of a new Canadian style tug.

Last thing shared was a new book that featured boats and history of the fishing vessels of Whatcom county. Many great stories about the history of the several styles of fisheries and boats that were built or worked the waters of Puget Sound and SE Alaska. Oh, and lots of photos that makes for great reference material as well.

With that all said and some talk about some maritime disasters locally and cruise ship adventures, we all parted for our home ports.

Hope to see you in December.

## POLO MATCH October 22nd *by Mel Suelzle*

It could not have been a nicer day to have a polo match. The bright sun warmed one side for some and the shady side cut down on the water glare. Turnout of members was very light for this event, but Robert brought lots of extra skippers and boats to round out the field so we had as many as 7 boats on the water. New to this event was Roberts two sister-in-laws, Kathy and Mary visiting the Osmond's from Denver. Robert son John was one had as usual and giving lessons on how to drive a polo boat.

Also attending for the first time was Jeff Parker. Jeff enjoyed the event and is preparing his Springer for the next polo event scheduled for November 12th.



As usual, the rough and tumble event took it's toll on a few boats. Dr Ron and Dennis Chinn kept busy dealing with battery problems but the greatest toll came from Earl Anderson's pacesetter "Red Top #1" in the custody of yours truly. This super fast boat relies on water cooling for the ESC and motor. Unfortunately the water cooling got plugged up and the motor overheated. When Jeff and Mel removed the cabin, we saw the first STEAM powered polo boat. Clearing the water channel with hot air (in abundance with this group)

was too late to save the motor. At the next match it will be learned if the Red Top will maintain it's high performance with a new stock Speed 600 motor installed. It has been suggest that perhaps the few leaves in the pool where part of Dennis' plan to eliminate some of his competition. HmMMMM!



# NORTHWEST R/C SHIPMODELERS

## 2016 CHRISTMAS BANQUET

Arrangements have been and all is in order for another great December Dinner at the Old Spaghetti Factory in Lynnwood on **December 1st**.

This year we will have a similar menu that includes a nice variety of excellent Italian dishes that will satisfy the largest of appetites. Our meal will include appetizers, bread, soup or salad, the entrée' of your choice and Spumoni desert, soft drinks and coffee/tea. Wine and beer will be available for purchase separately.

ALL this food and a fun filled evening for the modest sum of **\$20/person**. The Spaghetti Factory has lots of parking. Some may want to use the upper parking lot that is on the same level of the restaurant and avoid the entry way steps.

The location details are:

**The Old Spaghetti Factory**  
**2609 196th Street SW**  
**Lynnwood, WA**  
**425 672-7006**

Time: Social Hour 6:30 PM  
 Dinner 7:15 PM  
 Program 8:00—8:30 PM



The cost for the three course dinner is \$20/person. This includes tax and gratuity, appetizers and non-alcoholic drinks. Mixed drinks, wine and beer are available at extra cost.

**Reservation & Meal Selection** - Again this year we will and ask each person to pre-select the entree that will be served to your table. This will avoid the long buffet serving lines, and help everyone receive their meal about the same time. Please indicate your choice(s) below:

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Lasagna & Chicken Marsala	Qty _____
Spinach & Cheese Ravioli	Qty _____
Meatballs/Sausage Spaghetti	Qty _____

Send a copy of this form with payment to: Mel Suelzle  
 2731 184<sup>th</sup> Place SE  
 Bothell, WA 98012



**Please make you checks payable to NWR/C Ship Modelers**

If you prefer to pay via PayPal Send payment to [mel@suelzle.com](mailto:mel@suelzle.com), enter names and selections on PayPal notes or email info to [mel@suelzle.com](mailto:mel@suelzle.com)

**SEATING IS LIMITED** Arrivals without reservations run the risk of not having a seat or meal or both! Make your reservation TODAY!

**Payment and menu selection must be received by 11-20-2016**

## November 5th Fun Float - Robert Osmond

The Fun Float was held during breezy and rainy conditions, the rain going from downpour to light drizzle. Attendees were **Al Kinsman, Bill Heath, Jim Johnson, Bill's brother in-law, and Robert Osmond**. Bill said he had a lot of fun crashing through the wave crests with his Southampton.

I ran my "Pacific" pulling Bill's barge through smaller waves since the seas had died down. Bill set up a new dock he had just built.

I forgot to put my Hawaiian rain Tiki in his bag of water to keep the rain away. I will try to remember to do that next month.





**From the Bridge** (continued from Page 1)

Dain Webster has been working on another possible location for our sailing pleasure, at a neighborhood condo complex. So we are lucky to have a second temporary “home water.” More on that later.

**Robert Osmond** and **Dennis Chinn** have been doing a great job of arranging polo events at Dennis’s house in Medina. The matches are a lot of fun. Robert always brings along a couple of extra polo boats and urges visitors to use them to join in the fun. So if you are free, please join them on Saturday, November 12th at 11 am.

**Scott Baumann**



**16th Annual Galaxy Hobby  
Secret Santa Sale**

**Saturday November 19th  
from 7:00— 9:00pm**

**We will have free coffee, drink, and cookies.**

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Have something you want to sell or buy? Send a brief summary of your ad to: **newsletter-editor@shipmodelers.com** . Include a photo if needed. Newsletter deadlines are the Sunday following the first Thursday of the month. Items received after this date will be published the following month. Be sure and include an email or phone number. Include a photo if needed. Newsletter deadlines are the Sunday following the first Thursday of the month. Items received after this date 7009 will be published the following month.

**Jeff Parker** email [boa721@aol.com](mailto:boa721@aol.com)

For sale is a stern paddle wheel. it is fully operational and has no issues. The hull is 30 inches long, 39" with paddle wheel. 17" tall and 11" beam. Hull is PVC and never leaks, the rest is all wood. Just add radio Tx and Rx 350.00 [OBJ]



R/C US coast guard boat. 33" needs details finished. Comes with most raw materials and metal castings to complete. Runs great, runs fast. Complete with 2 high end Dumas water cooled motors, brass props, stainless steel shafts. 50Amp ESC. Needs Tx and Rx



Member **Jerry Julian** has a couple of boats for sale. One is a 50-800 RC sailboat for sale. 50" with 800 sq. in. of sail, fiberglass hull, Carr sails, proportional sail winch control and deluxe fittings. \$ 275.00 pick up in Olympia. Stand included.

Also Jerry has a marine patrol boat for sale. Fiberglass hull, 27" x 8", Graupner z-drive 600 installed, never run. \$250.00 pick up in Olympia, includes stand and carrying box. Contact: Jerry Julian 360-943-7009

