

EDINA MODEL YACHT CLUB

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NEWSLETTER

May 2026 Membership Meeting, News and Other Things

What is beautiful to one person may not be beautiful to another, but this is beautiful to me:



Rod Sykora and myself spent just a couple of hours or so one Saturday morning to take apart, clean and reassemble the cage storage area. The boat and cover were especially filthy and Rod did a great job to clean and wash both along with the personal flotation device, aka seat cushion. The floor of the storage area was swept, vacuumed and mopped, and just about all surfaces were vacuumed. The other benefit of taking everything apart is taking stock of what is stored. We are at the point of needing to dispose of some items as just about everything in storage has been there two to four years, at least. There are also some mystery items that need to be identified. The mysteries:



Plastic storage container with gorgeous assorted new appearing rope



Appears to be a sail locker, not sure when or how it came to be in the cage



A small bag of premium tie down ratchet straps

Let me know if you have knowledge of the use/purpose of these items.

Long term items in storage:



Starting with the incomplete pirate boat in the back and clockwise: Pirate Boat; Chris Craft Utility kit; two “Lighted Table Accent” boats - I think we could use these as drawing giveaways at the parade; PVC tube sealed at both ends labeled “EMYC Burgee + Flagpole Key”; air compressor for painting; cold solder tool; cabin cruiser with motor and nothing else; Flex shaft tool.



Assorted spray paints.

These items just need to find a new home, let me know if you are interested.

Progress at the museum

The Legacy of the Lake Museum continues to take shape in preparation for the grand opening of the 2026 exhibits on May 22nd.



More coverage of the EMYC contribution to this year's exhibits in next month's newsletter.

Must be summer

Even with some fluctuating temperatures it must be summer when the summer delivery of flowers for the park arrives in the park garage:



These replace the spring flowers that have been planted earlier this year. Hanging plants, large pots all over the park and garden beds all change to summer form! Beautiful!

At the Meeting

Mostly a business meeting this time, with one show and tell that got a lot of interest after the official meeting ended.

We discussed the spring coffee and rolls, which had attendance that was down from previous years:



But those that did come had a great time! Almost everything that was provided for eating disappeared and a lot of coffee was consumed! Unfortunately, there were conflicts this year with it being Mother's Day weekend and the Wisconsin DF95 regatta, and undoubtedly accounted for the lesser attendance. The park would also prefer to not put this event on their calendar, but in accordance with suggestions at the meeting they are fine with watching the rental schedule and allowing us to use the pavilion on a last minute basis when they do not have a scheduled use of the pavilion. So that is how we will proceed next year, watch the schedule and put it together quickly.

The Parade of Boats was the big topic, and is coming up quickly on Sunday, June 7th. This is a special Parade with quite a few things happening. New this year the Land-o-Lakes Classic Boat Club will have three boats on display in the plaza in front of the pavilion, and the park has arranged for a hot dog stand and ice cream vendor to accompany the show. Because we want to support the vendors we will have coffee and rolls for the morning crew putting the show together, but will not have lunch items. If you don't want a hot dog then you will need to bring your own. We luck out again this year, the pavilion is rented out Saturday, the day before the Parade, but the event will be concluded by 5:00 and allowing for some cleanup time we will be able to bring things down that evening. I will be at the pavilion 6-8:00 pm so you can bring down your boats. We can also set up banners so if you can make it down it will help the rush on Sunday morning. On Sunday there will be competition for the plaza in front of the pavilion between classic boats, vendors and our own items so get down as early as you can to drop things off. The show runs from 10:00 to 4:00 and we will be there by 8:00 to open the doors, probably earlier. A lot to get accomplished in a short time so all the help is appreciated: setting up tables, banners, feather banners, reception table, outdoor chairs, captain stations, flag/rope across channel, sandwich boards, people bollards with straps - to place around boats on the plaza and much more. Please come early and help out if you can. And please, please, don't take your boats home before the event ends!!! I hear every year about people coming to the show later and the look on their faces as club members walk by taking their boats home. We have Channel 9 providing live television coverage ahead of time, enhanced advertisement through the Star Tribune Events listings, our own poster, word of mouth and people that have told me they

come because their kids love the Captain's Stations! This is a big boy event and it only lasts 6 hours, so please stay to the end, and help take things down if you can.

Channel 9

I got in touch with Shayne Wells at Channel 9 who had extended us an invitation for a future show at the show she did with us last year. I really appreciate her enthusiasm and support of the club and we are scheduled to do the live morning show again on Wednesday June 3rd. Shayne and crew arrive at 6:15 am and there are live segments at 6:45 and 7:35. Last year I believe we were included in various programs five times throughout the morning, some viewings were from video recorded footage. We need to be set up by 6:15 when the crew gets there, and that includes a couple of tables and the Captain's Stations. We need boats on the water and for display, and if you have kids that are willing to get up early to run the tug boat stations that would be great!

Show and tell had one presentation, an update from Chris Haert:



The boat is looking gorgeous! The reason for the visit this time is the chrome strip on the hull along the edge of the deck from the automotive parts store.



The strip material comes in 1/8", 1/4" and 3/8" widths and is self adhesive. Lots of people took photos of the packaging on this one after the meeting.

Other things going on

You mean there is more!?!? Yes! We are officially into full swing for summer events, including the previously mentioned Wisconsin DF 95 regatta. There are more EMYC members participating in this event each year. Here is the report of the event from Kevin Kavaney:

The overall results were: Terry Mackey 5th, Gary Tschautscher 7th, Jim McKie 10th, Kevin Kavaney 11th, Tony Johnson 13th (Tony missed one day of the regatta), James Neild 14th (James also missed one day of the regatta).

They are getting great participation for this event and everyone had a great time! Overall, pretty good results as the Wisconsin club races DF 95s as the club boat and our boys only practice as best as the weather allows prior to the regatta.

Want to get a shirt with logo? There are two styles, one with short or long sleeve:



Each is about \$40, to be confirmed at time of order and depends on how many are being ordered.

Hats are in stock at \$20 each:

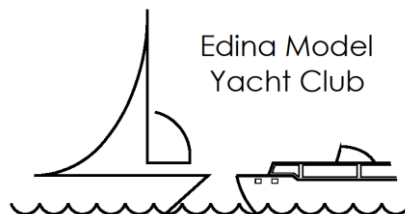


Contact Rob for shirts:, you can pick up a hat in person at the park.

Coming Up

- Channel 9 live broadcast, Wednesday, June 3rd, 6:15 am.
- Parade of Boats, Sunday, June 7th at 10:00 am, Hughes Pavilion.
- Membership meeting, Tuesday, June 16th at 8 PM.
- White Bear Lake Classic Boat Show, Saturday, June 20th.

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