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September 1994 Newsletter

SUMMER CALENDAR

September

North End Meeting	9/1	Innis Arden
Harbor Days	9/3	Olympia
North end float	9/4	Bellevue
South end float	9/8	Steel L.
V.M.S.S. Regatta	9/10	
South end float	9/22	Steel L.

October

North End Meeting	10/1	Innis Arden
North End Float	10/4	Bellevue
South End Float	10/8	Steel L.
South End float	10/22	Steel L.

**Harbor Days Tug & Workboat float
Saturday, Sept. 3**

**Victoria Model Shipbuilding Society,
1994 Annual Regatta
Sat. & Sun. Sept. 10 & 11 1994.**

**HARBOR DAYS WORKBOAT FLOAT
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 3
CAPITOL LAKE IN OLYMPIA**

Pack up your workboats and head for Olympia. Once again, scale workboats will ply the waters of Capitol Lake during The Harbor Days Festival in Olympia. Our funfloat is just across the street from the full scale happenings; exhibits, food, full scale vessels. Although there will be no formal competition, there will be props in the water, barges and buoys. The Harbor Days Organization

provided 5 awards to be presented based on skippers choice.

So, bring your tugs, towboats, fishing boats barges, docks and props. There are lots of spectators and lots of fun.

**October Funfloat at Bellevue Pond
Sunday October 9, 1:00 PM**

TUG - BOAT TUG - BOAT - TUG - BOAT

The theme for the October fun-float will be "Tugs and Ship handling" There will be barges on hand as well as Robert Osmonds Liberty Ship for practice.

If you have a tug, bring it. If you have a barge or any other large floating object (draft must not exceed the depth of the pond) bring it. Pushing, pulling and just general tugging will be the order of the day.

We are considering a tugboat / towboat regatta at Bellevue in 95, as Capitol Lake in Olympia is a difficult site to set up for a regatta. This regatta would replace the competition at Harbor Days, however the funfloat will remain as always, a Harbor Days tradition.

If the tug competition is popular with club members, it could easily rival the Spokane "Tidewater championship" or the "Crowley Cup" in San Francisco.

Who knows, we may have our own Northwest tugboat competition. Maybe we could name it in honor of a local tugboat company.....now who?

President's Notes

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Mr. President is on vacation and did not submit an article.

From the Editor

Mike Moor

This is going to be a short newsletter.

Meetings and Floats**August 4 North End Meeting**

As Reported by Robert Osmond

18 members attended the meeting at Bob Jacobsen's workshop. Here is who showed up and what they brought to "SHOW & TELL"

Steve O'Connell led the parade.

Jim Sisley reported on a "Submarine Get Together" in Groton, CT. A big deal with 130 submarines and no targets.

Keith Schermerhorn displayed some new hulls.

Michael Lyon brought his Creole Queen.

Cliff Shaw demonstrated his method for making thin, scale tires that can be used for bumpers as follows:

1. Find the tire you like and make an RTV mold of it.
2. Coat the inside of the mold with black liquid latex.
3. Remove the thin tire from the mold.

For detail, ask Cliff.

Phil "Smoky" Northrup brought tales of the big fire of 94. Rumor has it his next boat will have a fire monitor.

August 10 North End Float

As reported by **Gordy Canney**

On hand for the float were:

Bruno Faccini with his Chris Craft Constellation.

Phil Northrup with a portion of his fleet including the railroad tug Lehigh and railroad barge and the Smit .

Dave Smith with a book about boats, but no boat.

Gordy Cannney with no book AND no boat.

Robert Osmond with the Warwick and a towboat.

Ray Nelson with the Seguin and the Paterson.

Jim Sisley with no book, no boat, but taking pictures.

Dave Kentala tacked, jibed, reached and ran.

Steve O'Connell with son Mike and tug Mr. Mike.

This months celebrity guest was Walt who was a pilot of the Arthur Foss.

August 11 South End Float #1 Steel Lake in Federal Way

A quiet affair attended by **Andy Paris, Ray Nelson, Gerald Sager**. Cameo appearances by **Dennis Lunde** and **Mike Moor**.

August 25 South End Float #2 Steel Lake in Federal Way

Because the newsletter had to get in the mail before the August 25 float. All I can do is speculate.

Andy, Ray, Bud and Brad will show up, maybe Jerry and Jim. The weather will be good, Ray will answer boat building questions, Brad will not bring a boat and the steering compartment on Andy's cruiser will fill up with water.

Burnaby

The "funfloat" in Burnaby turned out to be a full-blown regatta. Whether signals were crossed or our neighbors to the North changed their minds, Burnaby 94 was a regatta.

Comment [M1]:

Comment [M2]:

Although our club attended in much smaller numbers than in Spokane, however some Canadian brass did cross the border.

I do not have all of the scores from the regatta, the following is a list of our club members who received awards:

First in Fishing Boats-

Keith Schermerhorn- FV MOONSHADOW

Second in Workboat-

Jerry Julian- MISURI

Second in Sail-

Jim Elder- no boat name

Also attending for our club was **Walt Newton** and **John Benthien**. Both John and Newt submitted a report for the newsletter.

BENT PROP AWARD

Once again there were no volunteers for the August BPA so I guess.....what?Who?

OK, OK so I lost a propeller.....twice. I should get a little credit for finding one of them. I figure If I get the BPA, it should be for having my 53 inch tugboat put in a 36 inch and under class at Spokane.

But that is a different story.

So where is this *Bent Prop Award* anyway. Oh well, I guess If you don't have it, you can't give it away.

BOAT OF THE MONTH

Submitted by Eric Potter

The Soviet Red Banner Northern Fleet and the Russian Destroyer Razymnia

Part 2 of **Eric Potter's** article on the Soviet 'Red Banner Northern Fleet' will be in the October newsletter.

November's Boat of the Month will be about the "Tacoma" built by Jim Elder of the South, South End Fleet.



WANT ADS

WANTED

Plans and information about Railroad barges and Railroad Ferries. If you have any kind of documentation you want to share, contact Phil Northrup at (509) 884-6898 or write to: 607 North Minor East Wenatchee, WA 98802

WANTED

Plans, drawings, literature etc. concerning the Class of "1500 ton" US Destroyers known as the Farragut Class. DD348 through DD420. Any info or leads will be appreciated.

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John Benthien, Gordy Canney, Walt Newton & Robert Osmond.

Fair winds and calm seas