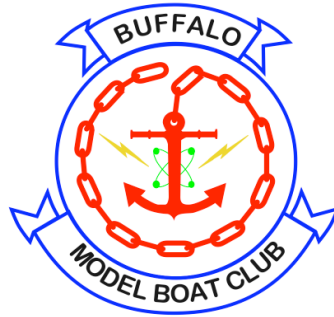


# *The Wave*



**May 2025**

## **Buffalo Model Boat Club Officers 2025**

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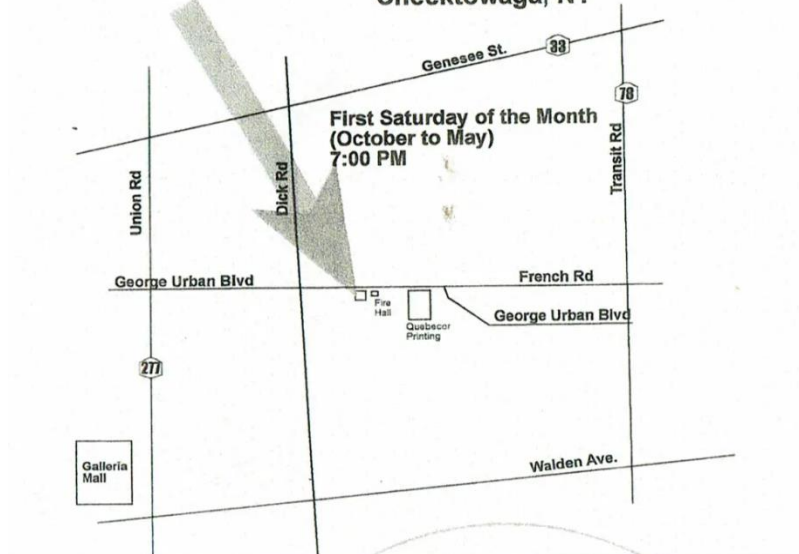
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**MEETING LOCATION**

Prince of Peace  
Lutheran Church Hall  
2311 George Urban Blvd  
Cheektowaga, NY



## **Upcoming Club Events**

### **May 3, 2025, Membership Meeting Prince of Peace Lutheran Church Hall**

Bring any issues you have, such as questions about fuse sizes or switch connections. Let's discuss and learn together.

**2311 George Urban Blvd Cheektowaga NY, 7 pm**

### **Saturday June 7 Triple R Campground Run**

It starts at 10 am. This event is always enjoyable. The June meeting will be moved to Saturday June 14 at Muir Lake, weather permitting.

**Saturday June 14 Membership Meeting at Muir Lake, 6:30 pm**

## **Membership Meeting 4/5/2025**

### **Buffalo Model Boat Club Monthly Membership Meeting Date: April 5, 2025**

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Commodore Don Spielberger with 20 members present.

#### **Recording Secretary's Report**

The report was read and approved following a motion by Carl Berg, seconded by Brian Mau.

#### **Corresponding Secretary's Report**

In the absence of the Corresponding Secretary, it was noted that there were no communications received or sent. The motion to accept the report was made by Doug Specht and seconded by Mike Carroll; the motion was approved.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Carl Berg and seconded by Ron Brounschidle; the motion was approved.

#### **Fleet Captain's Reports**

**Sail:** The first race is scheduled for April 27. A Santa Barbara race will occur on May 18. The dock lowering planned for April 27 may be delayed due to high pond water levels.

**Scale:** Boats are being prepared for the new season.

**Fast Electric:** Buoys have been completed by Mike Carroll. They will be deployed when the dock is lowered. Videos and photos for the website are ready for Dan. Discussions are ongoing with a friend who can produce apparel with the club logo. Early boat runs will take place from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

### **Committee Reports**

**Publicity:** No updates.

**Pond:** Wet ice has melted.

**Education:** Not applicable.

**Picnic:** Not applicable.

### **Old Business**

IPMS show scheduled for tomorrow (April 4, 2025) at the Father Justin Knights of Columbus on Union Road. Set-up begins at 8 a.m. and the show starts at 9 a.m. Ron Redlinski inquired about the number of boats required. Doug advised that having more boats allows rotation. Members should bring chairs. Don will obtain wristbands from the desk.

Webmaster Dan Massing reported that, as of April 5, 2025, the club has 42 paid members, which is a decrease of 3 or 4 from previous years.

### **New Business**

Triple R Campground event begins at 10 a.m. Saturday June 7 and concludes when participants choose to leave. It is an excellent venue for running boats. So we will continue to use it

Phonevite service has increased its price from 5 cents per call to 7 cents per call, which remains reasonable after 7 or 8 years of use.

Ron Redlinski updated that Hamburg Brewing would like dates for events. Ron was tasked to select 3 or 4 dates that do not conflict with other club activities. Ron proposed hosting two events this year.

Don attended the Toledo Show where 90% of the exhibits were planes, with the remainder being cars and boats. The event is recovering post-COVID, featuring 35% vendors and 65% swappers. Laser-cut parts were available, but no laser-cutting equipment was present.

Don has scanned 2,000 different magazines. Interested members should bring a thumb drive for him to download the files and return them to you at the next meeting.

## Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m. following a motion by Curt Montgomery, seconded by Dan Massing; the motion was approved.



Brian Mau's Footy with Blue Sails



Ron Redlinski shows progress on his Balloon Buster Boat



Mike Carroll & Doug Grinyer

**IPMS Niagara Frontier Show Father Justin Knights of Columbus**

**Sunday April 5, 2025**



**Mike & Kurt**





**Classifieds**

Galaxy A15 5G  
April 05, 2025 7:36 PM

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**DUMAS KIT NO. 1213 - ALL WOODEN KIT-**

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FOR RESCUE WINCH UNIT**

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## First sail regatta this year results

### **DF 95 Icebreaker 4/27/2025**

Scoring: RRS Appendix A

Sail	Sailor	Club	Rank	Tot	R 1	R 2	R 3	R 4	R 5	R 6	R 7	R 8	R 9	R 10	R 11	R 12	R 13
1	Mark	Buffalo Model Boat Club	1	15	3	1	2	2	1	4	1	3	1	1	1	1	1
14	Geoff	Buffalo Model Boat Club	2	26	1	6	5	4	2	1	2	1	2	5	2	2	4
70	Peter	Buffalo Model Boat Club	3	36	9	5	1	1	5	3	3	6	8	3	4	3	2
34	Bob	Buffalo Model Boat Club	4	36	9	3	3	3	4	5	4	2	5	2	3	4	3
41	Rick	Buffalo Model Boat Club	5	41	2	2	4	5	3	2	6	4	3	4	6	9	9
53	Wayne	Buffalo Model Boat	6	64	9	4	6	7	7	6	7	5	6	7	5	6	5
86	Joe	Buffalo Model Boat Club	7	74	4	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	6	7	5	6
66	Toersten	Buffalo Model Boat Club	8	77	9	8	7	6	6	7	5	7	4	9	9	9	9

Sail Scoring made easy: [www.afleet.app](http://www.afleet.app)

## 2025 Sail Schedule

May 11 All 1 Meter boats

May 18 Santa Barbara and Marblehead

June 8 Footy at Fairmount Park\*

June 22 Soling Team\*

July 13 Footy Team at Fairmount Park

July 27 All Sail\* \*

Aug 3 Footy Regional at Fairmount Park

Aug 24 Soling

Sept 14 DF 95/65

Sept 28 All 1 Meter boats

Oct 5 Santa Barbara and Marblehead

Why do I recommend Fairmount Park as a sailing venue? There are two reasons: first it is a very pleasant pond with shelter and a bathroom. Just as important sailing at a community park showcases what our hobby is all about. With all the people watching the regatta perhaps we can generate some interest in joining the club. After the race is finished, I'm inclined to ask if anyone

wants to try RC Sailing. I never know who our next new member might be if I don't ask. Who doesn't like watching sailboat skimming along in a beautiful setting.

\*Team event is a 4-lap race and a great opportunity to share these races and provide 1 on 1 mentoring or provide someone the sailing experience that doesn't have that class boat. The race starts with skipper #1 at the helm. That skipper runs 1 lap and turns the controller to skipper #2 when the vessel crosses the starting gate. At the end of lap 2 as the vessel crosses the starting gate, the controller is passed back to skipper #1. At the end of lap 3 as the vessel crosses the starting gate, the controller is passed back to skipper #2 who finishes the race. This is a great opportunity for mentoring.

After a 10-minute break for sail trim adjustments or a quick coffee break the event is repeated for a total of 8 laps with two skippers.

### **\*\*All Sail**

All sail boats are welcome to enjoy the fun. All vessels will start at the same time and will have 1 lap. Footy's and DF65's will have a ½ lap start. All other vessels will start at the same time. Individual classes will be scored. The event will last as long as the participants wish.

These 2 events are an experiment to generate more interest in racing. If it doesn't work, it doesn't work.

### **Racing rules:**

A, Small Pond Racing rules, applicable at Fairmount Park

1, No boat shall touch either mark at the starting line, violators must complete a 360 degree turn and re-enter the race thru the starting gate.

2, Boats may touch any racing mark on the course assuming they pass on the designated side.

3, Touching or bumping another boat causing a loss of position the offending boat must take an immediate 360 turn. In the event no loss of position no action is required.

B, US sailing rules appendix E including Standard Submission 201-11 of Sailing.org rules are applicable at Muir Lake.

### **Scoring:**

The Race Director (RD) is responsible for scoring the race. The RD can appoint any member or observer to record the finishing sequence.

In the event the RD has not been established the first skipper to finish should record the finishing sequence.

It would be most beneficial if all race results could be published. Race results can be sent to [bdmau@msn.com](mailto:bdmau@msn.com) with race results in the subject line. The purpose of this request is to establish the actual number of races and participants. Race results will be distributed to all club members. Hopefully this will generate some interest in joining in either the casual or competitive fleets. This data can also be used to recognize shippers that are improving as the season develops.

How many races are conducted in one season? There are 12 “formal” races scheduled. There are approximately 16 Sunday DF races and approximately 16 Thursday night Soling races. That’s 44 opportunities to join in the fun. As Gary Player, golf extraordinaire, said “the more I work and practice the luckier I seem to get”. If you want to gain confidence and increase your sailing enjoyment, come out and sail. You will not find a friendlier group of competitive sailors. If it seems overwhelming just come out and try it a couple of times.