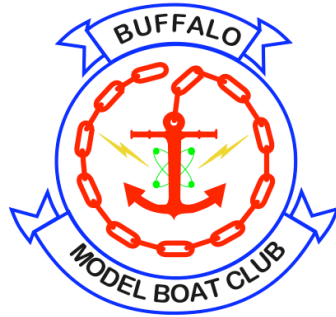


The Wave



May 2026



04/12/2026

Buffalo Model Boat Club Officers 2026

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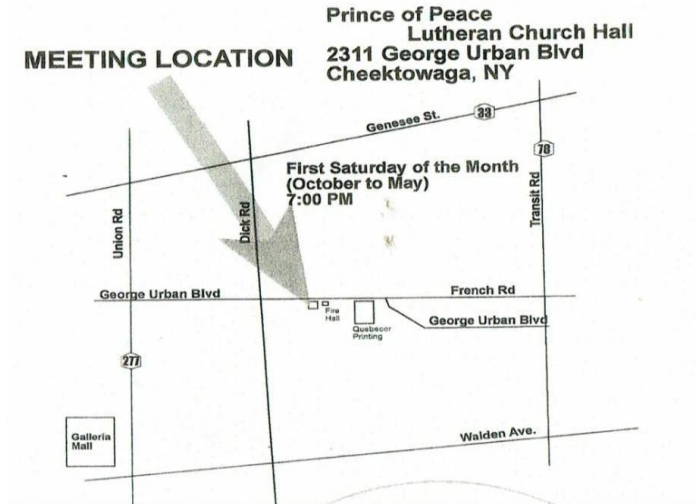
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Sail Fleet Captain: Paul Spielberger pspielberger@yahoo.com

Fast Electric Fleet Captain: Kurt Hansen khansen72@verizon.net



Special Notice 4/19/2026

From Don:

All

A handful of us inspected the dock this morning and discovered the root cause of the troubles is that the dock is sliding into the pond due to shore erosion.

To correct the problem we are going to winch the dock and ramps back into place and then stake the ramps in place to prevent future movement. This is tentatively planned for 2 weeks from today, May 3. Please keep this date open on your calendars as the more help we can get the better.

That date was scheduled for a sail regatta so the sail regatta will be cancelled. Also, to prevent further shifting of the dock we would greatly appreciate it if the dock is not used between now and then.

There will be future communications with times and a more detailed plan but in the meantime if you can help please set that date aside and start thinking about what tools/supplies you can bring to help

Thanks

Don

Upcoming Events

June meeting will be at the pond at 6:30 pm June 6, 2026



Fun Run at Triple R Campground near Franklinville, NY June 13 starts at 10 am

July 11 Membership Meeting and Annual Picnic at Fairmount Park Pond in Wheatfield, NY. Dinner starts around 4-4:30.

Wine Country Classic Boats at Hammondsport NY July 18, 2026. This show offers tents on the shore of Keuka Lake

Skaneateles Antique & Classic Boat Show July 24-26, 2026, this show offers shade trees at Skaneateles Lake.

Buffalo Launch Club Antique Boat Show September 12 Buffalo Launch Club more details TBA

Club Membership Meeting Notes

Commodore Don Spielberg called the meeting to order at 7 pm. at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church .2311 George Urban Boulevard Cheektowaga, NY.

The Recording Secretary's report was read. Brian Mau made a motion to accept; George Specht seconded the motion . The motion was approved unanimously.

The Corresponding Secretary's Report read there was 1 incoming mail the SSMA journal and no outgoing mail, A motion was made to approve by Paul Spielberg and seconded by Kurt Hansen the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report the club had \$2187.60 in treasury. We had 1 new member and 1 renewal bringing the total to 2242.60. A motion to receive and file was made by Mike Carroll seconded by Kurt Hansen. The motion to receive and file was approved unanimously.

Committees

The docks at the pond need repairs—two of four posts jammed last winter, affecting both front quarters. We'll assess the dock soon and use farm jacks set on patio blocks to lift it. Netting needs to be installed above the docks to keep geese away. Don will email everyone shortly with details about the inspection time.

Membership Committee: Cards are available on the table and a sail schedule will be posted on the website

IPMS Niagara Frontier Show at the Knights of Columbus on Union Road starts at 9 am tomorrow. We will try to get there between 8 and 8:30 bring lots of boats. As of 4 pm they have not published the floor plan.

Educational: Tonight's educational program will be producing fiberglass hulls. Next month's sail presentation has been postponed. We will keep the 5/3 race on schedule until we assess the dock's condition.

Fleet Captain's Reports

Fast Electric; Pond is open we are looking forward to having a regatta soon around April 27. We hope to have them once a month with Tuesday Night runs starting at 5:30 pm.

Sail : A proposed schedule is out we hope to have a 1-meter regatta Sunday 5/3. This is contingent on what the dock assessment team says. Canceled as of 4/19 see notice

Scale : We have a proposed schedule for 2026 no May regatta. We will have events June 28, July 19, and August 16 more information to come.

Old Business

The board would like to thank Kurt Hansen for setting up the Cabin Fever RC Model Boat Event Maryvale High School Pool on March 22. Ron Redlinski proposed reimbursing Kurt for the insurance which Kurt paid. Kurt said it is in effect until March of next year.

New Business

Webmaster Dan Massing is looking for a Dumas Kit for a friend. If you have one please bring it to the May Meeting May 3.

Paul worked on the tugboats we use for our pool. He waterproofed them and tweaked the transmitter so that they don't get too overpowered.

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Announcements

Don attended the Toledo Show recently he was the only boat vendor. There was a big line waiting to get into the building. This year was the best attendance since COVID. Also a safety note when Don was approaching Toledo there were 3 lanes of traffic stopped with an SUV completely burned out lipo batteries started the fire. Please always make sure they are in lipo protective bags.

Adjournment

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting made by Mike Carroll seconded by George Specht. The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm

Don's Fiber glassing Demonstration





Ron's building jigs



Bill Shore's 3D printed Footy



Our table at the IPMS Buffalo Niagara Frontier Model Show 4/12/2026



Fast Electric Schedule

BLACKJACK 24 RACES at **MUIR LAKE**



DATES:	TIME:	LOCATION:
4/28, 5/26, 6/30, 7/28, 8/25	Warmups 5:30, Races begin at 6pm	11 Pinchot ct. Amherst NY

Pre-race signup will be set out prior to races.
Any questions contact Kurt Hansen at 716-861-1482 or email at khansen72@verizon.net

Proposed Sail Fleet Schedule 2026

May 3: All 1 Meter boats - US1M & Soling & anything 1M - Soling's and other 1M are permitted. **Please note due to the condition of the dock this race has been postponed.**

May 17: Santa Barbara and Marblehead (50/800)

June 7: Footy June 21: 1M Soling Team*

July 12: Footy Team*

July 26: All Sail * *

Aug 2: Footy Regional at Fairmount Park

Aug 23: 1M Soling

Sept 6: DF 95/65

Sept 20: All 1 Meter boats - US1M & Soling & anything 1M - Soling's and other 1M are permitted

Oct 4: Santa Barbara and Marblehead (50/800)

Oct 18: All Sail *

Here are the 2026 Scale Regatta dates.

June 28th

July 19th

and August 16th

Don



Name Tags The name tags will have magnetic attachment and be \$15.00 each.

Order Form for Name Tag

Name _____
Address _____

Phone Number _____



Lapel Pin

\$5.00 let Don know if you are interested in one



Membership Application & Renewal Form

Please complete this form to renew your membership or to become a new member.

Annual Dues: \$25.00 New Member Registration Fee: \$5.00

If payment is made after Sept. 30th of current calendar year, membership will extend to the end of the following calendar year. Please make payment no later than February 1. Members renewing after February 1 will be assessed a new member registration fee.

Mail payment with this form to:

Buffalo Model Boat Club
7527 Gilbert Road
Bergen, NY 14416

OR

Give it to the treasurer at the next meeting

Name		Phone
Address		
City	State	ZIP
Email	Spouse Name	

AREAS OF INTEREST	YES	NO
Sail		
Scale		
Fast Electric		
Steam		

DO YOU CURRENTLY HAVE MARITIME MODELS ?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

MEMBER SIGNATURE:	DATE
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PLEASE WRITE ANY COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE ON BACK OF THIS FORM

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