## Secretary Report – Feb, 2004 by Rick West

## The Dumas Heritage EC12

Previously, I have reported that the class will be ending grandfathered registrations of the Dumas EC12 as it exists today in design. I have been in contact with Dumas and it is hoped that they will continue to be a supplier of the EC12 hull within the class hull standard program in the future.

The class will no longer accept the current Dumas Heritage EC12 for registration following February 29, 2004. Any registration request for this hull after that date must be accompanied with a bill of sale dated before March 1, 2004 from a commercial vender. This applies only to new and unregistered hulls or boats and <u>does not</u> apply to the sale and transfer of currently registered boats. Dumas Products Inc., will be removed from the authorized manufacturer's list for the present.

## **Class Hull Standard**

During the class administration transfer in January it was learned that the class had lost control or misplaced the Master Plug all but one of the Daughter Plugs used in the hull standard program. The one remaining plug was not suitable for use in making a set of molds. Without these assets the class was in danger of losing control of the standard as it had been intended.

I requested a heavy rigid plug made from the best of the molds available from the original program and one other to be held by the class. One was sent to RMD Marine in Florida for testing and corrections and to have a new Master Plug made. From this master the class hull standard program will be reorganized. This work is currently in progress.

Additionally, the Class Advisory Committee has met and outlined a new program that will be presented to the current manufacturers. This program will allow the class to retain its assets free of past movement among the manufacturing group and thusly, prevent the minor changes that inevitably occur in transit and preparations to build a mold. This will also allow the class to retain the Master Plug, one Daughter Plug and a set of Master Molds that will only be released to a professional fabricator for additions when needed.

The details of the new program are currently being worked out. I assure all of you that this effort was never envisioned or sought. It was brought upon the class and by acting now; a true one-design hull can be saved and preserved for the future. I will continue reports on this project as it moves along. You can see the first photos of the process on the <u>Building</u> <u>Site</u>.