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NEWSLETTER OF KIRKLEES MODEL BOAT CLUB JANUARY 2024

Happy New Year to everyone and hope you had a very good Christmas with friends and family. Membership still remains quite high and of course the events in 2023 have all gone very well. Hopefully we will have a full calendar for 2024. Sadly the commercial shows will be few. I personally would like to thank Roger Shepherd for his generous donation of models and modelling equipment to be sold on to club members. The sale proceeds are to be donated to club funds.

CLUB 500 have all run smoothly and Derek Round was the overall winner of the 8 events which run throughout the summer. If you wish to see the full results there is spreadsheet. Just ask Richard Simpson or Stan. Thanks to the members who helped with marshalling the events. The week before the first Club 500 in 2024 all Club 500 boats wishing to take part in the events, will be checking for compliance with the rules.

Blackpool Model Boat Show - The club had a display of model boats, military vehicles and robotics. 6 members displayed their boats, Chris Behan showed his military vehicles and Dave Barker had a display of miniaturized electronics. A very successful show with lots of model Boat Clubs displaying. In the other room there were military vehicles and construction vehicles. Lots of trade support. The pool area was busy and Gary Dyson and Neil Stewart made use of it. Lots of positive comments about the club stand and the models displayed on it. A very enjoyable weekend. We are booked in for next year. If you've not been, it's well worth a visit. Chris Behan won best tank. See picture further down.

AGM 8TH November 2023 – We had to check in advance that we would still going to be able to attend at Batley Sports Centre due to the threat of closure. Approximately 40 members attended. Two new committee members were elected, David Moss and Kathleen Stone, and one committee member stood down. Many thanks to Mick Burtop for all his help. The meeting went very smoothly and if anyone wants a copy of the Minutes they only have to ask. Despite all members having a free year as regards paying subs, because of the moneys raised a the Open Days and the tea box, we didn't really make a loss. The main topic that was agreed was that from the end of 2024 no more Newsletters will be posted out. If people who have not given us an email address still want a Newsletter one will be printed out for them, on request, to be picked up down at the lakeside.

It is the work involved printing off, collating the pages, putting in envelopes, addressing them and then posting them. Pat doesn't want to do it any more. Please note it is not the cost, though stamps keep going up, it is just the time and effort involved. So if you have an email address, if you give it to us you will receive your Newsletter by email.

Christmas Lunch Sunday 10th December 2023 – 40 members and their families attended the Christmas lunch. Thanks to everyone who brought a raffle prize. This enabled us to give the staff of the Golf Club a sizeable tip. Many thanks to Julie and Emily Dyson for selling the raffle tickets. The food was excellent and everyone had a very enjoyable time.









The Tea Tent & Raffle Ladies receiving M&S voucher as a thank you



Lunch at The Manor accompanied by the Lord of the Manor

Lakeside 17th December last meeting for 2023. An excellent morning for the Christmas Fuddle, lots of food brought by members. Quite a few models were on the water. We had two presentations that morning for the Club 500 overall winner and the Keith Hays trophy. This is given to the member who the committee feel has been very helpful towards the club events.



The above picture shows Derek Round receiving the Club 500 trophy.



Bill Kelsall receiving the Keith Hays Trophy



Some of the food on offer at the Christmas Fuddle





The Club stand at Blackpool Show October 23



Chris Behan's winning military vehicle at Blackpool 23

Proposed Home events 2024

February

10 March Mother's Day

17 March Hare sail race 10.30 start club members only

24 March Club 500 - 10.15 am start

31 March Easter Sunday

7th April Club 500 – 10.15 am start

14th April Island Endurance - 10.15 start club members only 21st April Blue Ribband sail race 10.30 start club members only

6 May Bank holiday

12^h May STEAM DAY – 8 am to start setting up HELP REQUIRED

19th May Margaret Wyatt sail race - 10.30 start club members

26^h May Club 500 - 10.15 start

27th May Bank holiday

2 June Club 500 10.15 start

16 June Fathers' Day

7 July President's cup sail race 10.30 club members only
14 July SUMMER OPEN DAY - 7.30 set up HELP REQUIRED

28th July Club 500 10.15 start

18th August Club 500 10.15 start

1st September Club 500 10.15 start

8th September AUTUMN OPEN DAY - 8 am start HELP REQUIRED

8th September ? Classic Car Rally in Wilton Park ?

11th September Night sail at Wilton Park from 7 pm

15th September George Trophy sail race - 10.30 club members only

22nd September Club 500 10.15 start

6th October Harry Sharp sail race - 10.30 club members only

13th November AGM 8 pm prompt Batley Sports Centre

18th December Christmas lunch at The Manor Golf Club

22nd December Mince pies etc down at the lakeside Christmas Fuddle

STEAM DAY will be supervised by Richard Simpson. Club 500s will be supervised by Officers of the Day. All club 500s must display a number.

At our 3 major events any orange fencing must not be moved other than by a KMBC member, This is erected for security purposes.

AUTUMN OPEN DAY - Open to all classes of models and the Les Kirkby trophy will be awarded for the best Kirklees Warship. Also we hope to display radio controller military vehicles on the three main open days.

PROPOSED AWAY EVENTS 2024

February

10th and 11th Model Railway Show at Doncaster Racecourse

11th IPMS Model Show Royal Armouries Leeds

March

10th Mothers' Day

16th York MBC Night Sail YO42 4PS

31st (Easter Sunday) Submarine Day Papplewick Pump Station 10 – 4 pm NG15 9AJ

April

1st Submarine day – see above

21st Manvers MBC Bring & Buy Sale £2 entry S63 7DG

21st Southport MBC Bring & Buy Sale Rotten Row, Southport PR8 2DA

28th York MBC Open Day YO42 4PS

May

19th May York MBC Open Day YO42 4PS

26th May
Southport MBC Vintage Open Day PR8 2DA
no information
Mayhem Weekend Wickstead Park, Northants

June

8th Rawdon MBC Open Day Larkfield Tarn LS19 5EQ 8th and 9th Manvers MBC Open Day with trade support S63 7DG

16th Father's Day

23rd York MBC Open Day YO42 4PS

23rd Southport MBC Bring & Buy boat sale PR8 2DA 29th and 30th Wings & Wheels Lutterworth Leicester L317 6DH

July

21st Goole MBC Open Day DN14 5TV

21st Southport MBC Open Day tugs & fishing boats PR8 2DA

28th York MBC Open Day YO42 4PS

August

17th & 18th Bridlington MBC Open Days (Saturday and Sunday) Carnaby YO15 3QY

Boats, Cars, Trucks, Rock Climbing etc

24th Rawdon MBC Open Day LS19 6EQ 25th Southport Bring & Buy sale PR8 2DA

September

8th Manvers MBC Open Day S63 7DG

Deans Marine Open Day Farcet Fen Peterborough

29th York MBC Open Day YO42 4PS

October

19 and 20th Blackpool Model Show at Norbreck Castle Hotel Blackpool set up day

Friday 18th October

November

9th and 10th IPMS Show at Telford

No dates for Balne Moor or Bury MBC. These days will be included in the March Newsletter together with any modifications to the above dates for York MBC.

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<u>Insurance</u> There seems to be some confusion with some members regarding the Club's Public Liability Insurance. After exhaustive conversations with the insurance company we have now got a full explanation from them. You will see from our insurers the correct position. This is not up for negotiation.

Hello Mr. Refin,

It was really good talking with you earlier

Just to confirm please, the CD31227 policy covers members of Kirklees Model Boat Club only; it wouldn't cover the members if they went to Kirklees Model Yacht Club and did activities as part of being in Kirklees Model Yacht Club.

If any individuals wish to be covered for participating in activities for Kirklees Model Yacht Club, they would need to have their own insurance please with the Kirklees Model Yacht Club.

I hope this information helps.

Thank you so much for your time.

Best wishes,

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The above applies to any club member who is a member of another club or group. You should/would come under the umbrella of that club's or group's insurance.

The use of Chest Waders - I have spoken to the Council and they have no specific thoughts on the use of these but the Park Manager raised concerns about what debris could be on the bottom of the lake such as large stones, shopping trolleys, a deep area and also the usual plastic bags which could get wrapped round people's legs. With this in mind we would not advise members to use them for their own safety. (We don't know the insurance implication for the use of these). It will be a topic for discussion at the AGM.