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Newsletter of Kirklees Model Boat Club September 2019

By the time you read this newsletter hopefully you will have all heard of the passing of Alan Wyatt on the 30th May 2019. Many members attended Alan's funeral on the 18th June at Wakefield Crematorium and afterwards at Cedar Court Hotel, Wakefield. Alan's modelling skills whether it be scale, steam or sail were first class. Nearly all Alan's models were made out of wood with a superb finish. Alan was a excellent ambassador for the club both at the lakeside and at away events. He was always willing to pass on his knowledge to anyone who asked. Before Alan came into model boats both Alan and Margaret were very keen dinghy sailors at Horbury. A very talented man who will be greatly missed.



Alan at Christmas lunch 2014

11th and 12th May – show at Hooton Park, Ellesmere Port. Some members attended this new show and judging by feed-back the show has a lot of potential. This year trade support was good, the water was good for sailing the models and I understand there were other things to see on site.

25th and 26th May – show at Wickstead Park, Kettering, Northants. A small number of members attended this event which is organized by the Kettering MBC in conjunction with Model Boat Mayhem. Feed-back from members indicated this was a very good event with lots of models on display and sailing on the lake. They also had some trade support. Well worth a visit next year. If you want to see pictures and you have access to Model Boat Mayhem or Face Book there are lots of photographs there.



View of the main hall at Hooton Park



Sailing area at Hooton Park

Report on CADMA Show, Deaf Trust, Doncaster 1st and 2nd June 2019 by Stan Reffin – Set up day was on Friday and we had the same location that we have had for numerous years. I am glad to say the problem with the new overhead lighting system has now been resolved and it is a valuable asset. I would like to thank the club members for their efforts on Friday setting up and Sunday afternoon dismantling the stand. The show attracted many local boat clubs and others travelling from various parts of the north east and midlands. Trade support was very good. Some of these traders travelled a long distance to get there. The standard of models on display was very high. There were some very beautiful vintage yachts on display. We even had a working Thunderbird 4 on display and a galleon displayed in the pool that actually sank and surfaced. It was based on the ship in The Pirates of the Caribbean. The canteen upstairs was very popular especially for bacon sandwiches. The Bring and Buy area was very small compared with last year but I understand this will be rectified for 2020. The temporary sailing area was a fair size and deep enough to operate model submarines. Kirklees members entered the competitions and I am pleased to say that we took 4 awards for the following – Best Club Stand – David Moss, best Fishing Vessel – Chris Behan, best Work Boat and Stan Reffin – best Warship. It was nice to see Tim Stevenson along with other club members who visited the show. I have contacted the Show Manager and passed on our thanks for an excellent weekend. If you want to go next year, we have a limited number of spaces available.



David, Chris & Stan with the awards



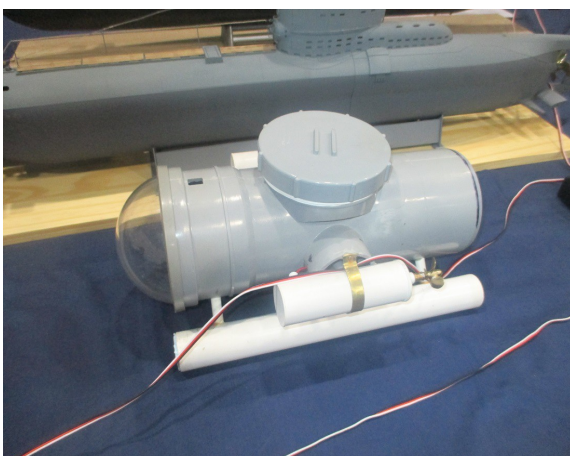
Club stand at CADMA Show



Lionel Broadbent's African Queen



Roger Shepherd's Japanese Cruisers



Chris Behan's latest Sub. flushed with success!



Vintage Model Yachts on display

Report on Club 500 race Sunday 9th June 2019 by Stan Reffin - It is hard to believe that we are now past half way through this event and these heats up to press have been well supported. Weather conditions for this race were ideal with a slight breeze. 8 club members took part and split into two groups of 4. Two ended up on the island, with Stuart Smith coming to the rescue in the boat. One boat lost its top but managed to carry on. At one point the races were held up to wait for a line of ducks to clear the race area, they were doing us a favour by eating the midges. Lots of people were stood on the lakeside watching. Club members sat on the benches to watch the four races and give encouragement and advice and cheer when boats got stuck on the island! Many thanks to Terry Scarth, Stuart Smith and Roger Shepherd who all gave me a hand.

| Member's name | Boat No | Heat 1 | Heat 2 | Total Laps | Position | Overall laps | Overall Position |
|-----------------|---------|--------|--------|------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------|
| Albert Smith | 9 | 10 | 11 | 21 | 4 th | 98 | 3 rd |
| Richard Simpson | 01 | 12 | 12 | 24 | 1 st | 107 | 1 st |
| Jerry Speirs | 5 | 11 | 10 | 21 | 4 th | 97 | 4 th |
| John Hinde | 17 | 11 | 11 | 22 | 3 rd | 80 | 6 th |
| Fred Senior | 101 | 9 | 11 | 20 | 6 th | 99 | 2 nd |
| Brian Byrne | 712 | 0 | 7 | 7 | 8 th | 66 | 8 th |
| David Sykes | 71 | 12 | 11 | 23 | 2 nd | 84 | 5 th |
| Andrew Nall | 8 | 7 | 12 | 19 | 7 th | 61 | 9 th |
| Willie Crowther | | | | | | 67 | 7 th |
| Andy Waters | | | | | | 19 | 12 th |
| Mike Cole | | | | | | 5 | 13 th |
| Allan Dyson | | | | | | 25 | 11 th |
| David Moss | | | | | | 45 | 10 th |

Alan Wyatt's funeral 18th June 2019 – Acting on a request from Cathy Wilson I am pleased to say 22 club members attended Alan's funeral at Wakefield giving him a good send off. Some members from York, Rawdon and Balne Moor Model Boat Clubs attended. At the reception afterwards some of Alan's models were on display together with some of his art works and Margaret's cross stitch pictures. Both Alan and Margaret were very talented and greatly missed by lots of club members and the wider modelling community.

Report on President's Cup yacht race 7th July 2019 by Stuart Smith - The day was dry and mild with the winds as forecast at 3mph (that is – very little to nothing) and prospects were not good for racing. However, by 10am an intermittent light breeze arrived. The race officer, following consultation, set an upwind course of three laps using three buoys only, in a clockwise direction (passing all buoys to starboard). Thirteen skippers took part. John Goodyear took an early lead, closely followed by David Sykes and Dave Tuckwood, and that is pretty much how it stayed throughout the fickle light airs of the race. The approach to the line on the third lap was close but David Sykes managed to catch a few scraps of wind to sail over the line, winning by several feet, with John Goodyear in second place, and Dave Tuckwood third. Congratulations to David Sykes in winning the race in tricky conditions. David was duly presented with and given custody of the Presidents cup trophy for the next 12 months. See photograph on next page.

Report on R.O.A.B Gala, Heath Rugby Club Halifax on 13th July 2019 by Gary Dyson

8 members attended the show putting on a good mix of models sail, steam, naval, commercial, tugs, narrow boat, hovercraft, tanks and trucks. The weather was warm with a mix of clear skies, cloudy, slight drizzle in the morning to a quick shower 5 mins after packing up. The show wasn't as well attended as the previous year (which as quiet) but we did get a visit and chat with the Mayor of Calderdale. Whilst not a very productive day, we promoted model building to the few people who showed interest.



David Sykes receiving the President's Cup from Pat Reffin



Display at Heath Rugby Club



Stan got a new job on Component Shop's stand, don't ask for discount!



Military vehicle display at Heath Rugby Club

Report on Open Day Sunday 14th July 2019 at Wilton Park by Stan Reffin - It was an early start for me and several other members. The weather didn't look too good early on, low cloud and drizzle. However once again the weather was on our side. A very pleasant warm sunny day. Representatives from 15 clubs attended and also 4 traders and of course the RNLI. We had lots of models of all types on display. Some very large lifeboat models were on display by the Lifeboat Enthusiasts Society. There were also some very nice sail models, very brightly coloured so they stood out when they were on the water. We had 3 big hovercrafts also on display. Amongst the scale models there was a huge variety of models. The Editor of Model Boats kindly did the presentations for best tug model to David Alsop and best Kirklees Model to David Moss. At 2 pm we encourage as many models to be on the water and I am pleased to say we had 32 models of all types and sizes take part. The military section had a good day. The day finished with the raffle. Thanks to everyone who travelled whether it be a short or long distance, to once again make the day a success. The combined total raised for the RNLI was £400. This year, due to illness, we only had two ladies in the tea tent, A very big thanks to Kathleen and Kath for all their hard work during the day. Thanks to all members who donated food for the catering tent. Thanks to Richard Simpson and John Poll from Balne Moor for doing the judging. Thanks once again to Pat and Karen for selling raffle tickets. Only 2 unclaimed.



David Alsop Balne Moor best tug



David Moss receiving the Denis Smart trophy for best KMBC model



Cheque presentation to RNLI Mirfield branch



Andy Water tug Portgarth an excellent example



Nice sail model seen at the Open Day





Yes it is steam powered



Colourful yachts on display



Model tanks on display

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Carl Robinson, one of our sailing members and also a keen aero modeller. Three members attended Carl's funeral on 22nd July.

Report on Club 500 race on 28th July 2019 by Stan Reffin – 11 club members took part on a very drizzly, damp morning with just a slight wind and the lake was rubbish free. Upsets in both races with upturned boat and one burnt out motor. Brian Byrne managed to stay off the island but tried to demolish the start gate. Peter Redfern was kept busy recovering models with his tug, but the club rescue boat was also needed. Officers were me, Stuart Smith, Allan Dyson and Roger Shepherd.

| Members' name | Boat No | Heat 1 | Heat 2 | Total Laps | Position | Overall laps | Overall Position |
|-----------------|---------|--------|--------|------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------|
| Richard Simpson | O1 | 12 | 11 | 23 | 1 st | 130 | 1 st |
| Willie Crowther | 70 | 2 | 12 | 14 | 7 th | 81 | 7 th |
| Albert Smith | 9 | 11 | 11 | 22 | 2 nd | 120 | 2 nd |
| Mike Cole | O90 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 9 th | 15 | 13 th |
| Jerry Speirs | 5 | 9 | 4 | 13 | 8 th | 110 | 4 th |

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| David Moss | 49 | 10 | 0 | 10 | 9 th | 55 | 10 th |
| John Hinde | 17 | 11 | 10 | 21 | 3 rd | 101 | 6 th |
| Brian Byrne | 712 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 9 th | 76 | 9 th |
| Fred Senior | 101 | 11 | 10 | 21 | 3 rd | 120 | 2 nd |
| Andy Nall | 8 | 8 | 9 | 17 | 6 th | 78 | 8 th |
| David Sykes | 71 | 10 | 11 | 21 | 3 rd | 105 | 5 th |
| Andy Waters | | | | | | 19 | 12 th |
| Allan Dyson | | | | | | 25 | 11 th |

It is with sadness we have to announce that Bob Waddington has recently passed away. Bob was a very keen steam modeller and was also a member of Keighley Model Engineers. Some might not recognise the name but I am sure you will remember his very nice big green steam drifter.

Report on Bridlington MBS Open Weekend 3rd & 4th August by Stan Reffin – 9 club members attended on Saturday on what turned out to be a very pleasant warm day. You could sail your model boat, have a go on the truck track, dirt racing track or rock crawling. If you like fast electrics then you must visit next year, as it makes our Club 500 events look tame. We were made very welcome by the members of Bridlington, car parking was easy and there was food and drink available throughout the day.



KMBC tent at Bridlington



Donald Shaw - needs some driving lessons!

Report on Club 500 race 18th August by Stan Reffin - 8 club members took part in two groups of 4 on a dry and breezy morning. A few upturning and one stuck on the island. Peter Redfern was kept busy with his pusher tug mounting rescues. The club rescue boat was also needed. Quite entertaining for the spectators! Thanks to Roger Shepherd, Bayden Buckle and Stuart Smith for assisting me.

| Member's name Heat 1 | Boat No | Lap 1 | Lap 2 | Total No of Laps | Position | Total No of Laps | Overall No of laps and position |
|-------------------------|------------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| Richard Simpson | O1 | 11 | 11 | 22 | 2 nd | | 152 laps – 1 st |
| Jerry Speirs | 5 | 9 | 12 | 21 | 3 rd | | 131 laps - 3 rd |
| Dave Cowley | 96 | 9 | 8 | 17 | 5 th | | 17 laps - 13 th |
| Willie Crowther | 70 | 8 | 9 | 17 | 5 th | | 98 laps - 7 th |
| Heat 2 | | Lap 1 | Lap 2 | | | | |
| Albert Smith | 9 | 11 | 0 | | 8 th | 11 | 131 laps - 3 rd |
| Fred Senior | 101 | 8 | 10 | | 4 th | 18 | 138 laps - 2 nd |
| David Sykes | 71 | 12 | 11 | | 1 st | 23 | 128 laps - 5 th |

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| Brian Byrne | 712 | 8 | 8 | | 7 th | 16 | 92 laps - 8 th |
| Mike Cole | O90 | | | | | | 15 laps - 14 th |
| David Moss | 49 | | | | | | 55 laps - 10 th |
| John Hinde | 17 | | | | | | 101 laps - 6 th |
| Andrew Nall | 8 | | | | | | 78 laps - 9 th |
| Andy Waters | 19 | | | | | | 19 laps - 12 th |
| Allan Dyson | 66 | | | | | | 25 laps - 11 th |

Report on Model Boat Convention Haydock Park 24th and 25th August by Stan Reffin – Many thanks to all the members who helped with erecting and dismantling the club stand and displaying their models. The theme of the show was World War 2. Model Clubs and trader numbers were down on previous years, so was the number of visitors through the door. Even though there were fewer clubs attending, there were still lots of good models on display. KMBC did well in the competitions winning numerous awards. Dave Barker's model Konig won best model on the club stand Stan Reffin took a 1st in the semi-scratch class with his USS Gambier Bay and Chris Behan took a 1st in kit class with his Gato submarine and was also awarded the Mountfleet Rosebowl (which has been in the club since 2016) for the best kit. also got 2nd for his type 23 U Boat and also got a 2nd for his type 21 U Boat in the warship section. We understand this was the last Boat Convention. Pat, Karen Behan and Sue Barker did their usual door duties which can be very trying at times. Finally thanks to Adam Holmes for once again doing the comentary round the boating pool.



Most of the team at Haydock



Club stand at Haydock

NOTIFICATION OF AGM WEDNESDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2019 AT BATLEY SPORTS CENTRE TO START PROMPTLY AT 8 PM. Please let the Secretary Pat Reffin have any items you wish to be included in the Agenda to her by either e-mail or letter at the lakeside or in the post no later than 9th October. Any item must have a proposer and seconder. If an item is not on the Agenda this cannot be included at the meeting.

Report on final Club 500 event 1st September 2019 by Stan Reffin – The final event attracted 9 competitors. Conditions were ideal with just a slight breeze. There were quite a few close calls with one boat being upturned and some boats hitting the concrete wall on the edge of the lake. Thanks to everyone who has taken part in these Club 500 events during the last 8 months and the members who have assisted me on every race. Today I was assisted by Phill Bowker, Baden Buckle, Roger Shepherd, Stuart Smith and Mick Burtop. We hope to present the trophy next week at our Autumn Open Day if not it will be the 15th September. It has been very closely contested as you will see from the results below. Next years Club 500 event will kick off in February, weather premitting (ice could be a problem!) Thanks to all club members who have refrained from sailing whilst these races were taking place. The week before the first race commences Club 500s will need to be brought down to the lake to be checked that everything is per

the manufacturers guidelines and as supplied in the kit. There will be a reminder regarding this in the January newsletter.

| Member's name | Boat No | Lap 1 | Lap 2 | Total No of Laps | Position | Total No of Laps | Overall No of Laps and position |
|-----------------|---------|-------|-------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Richard Simpson | O1 | 7 | 3 | 10 laps | 9 th | | 162 laps - 1 st |
| Dave Cowley | 96 | 11 | 11 | 22 laps | 3 rd | | 39 laps - 11 th |
| Willie Crowther | 72 | 12 | 11 | 23 laps | 2 nd | | 23 laps - 13 th |
| Jerry Speirs | 5 | 11 | 11 | 22 laps | 3 rd | | 153 laps - 3 rd |
| Albert Smith | 9 | 10 | 10 | 20 laps | 7 th | | 151 laps - 5 th |
| John Hinde | 17 | 11 | 11 | | 3 rd | 22 laps | 123 laps - 6 th |
| Fred Senior | 101 | 9 | 12 | | 6 th | 21 laps | 159 laps - 2 nd |
| Brian Byrne | 712 | 10 | 10 | | 7 th | 20 laps | 112 laps - 7 th |
| David Sykes | 71 | 12 | 13 | | 1 st | 25 laps | 153 laps - 3 rd |
| Willie Crowther | 70 | | | | | | 98 laps - 8 th |
| Mike Cole | O90 | | | | | | 15 laps - 15 th |
| David Moss | 49 | | | | | | 55 laps - 10 th |
| Andrew Nall | 8 | | | | | | 78 laps - 9 th |
| Andy Waters | 19 | | | | | | 19 laps - 14 th |
| Allan Dyson | 66 | | | | | | 25 laps - 12 th |



Lionel Broadbent's rigged & sail at Haydock



Tony Maskell's Pilot Boat at Haydock



CHRISTMAS LUNCH MENU

Date – Sunday 8th December - Time – 12:00 for 12:30 p.m. - Venue – Manor Golf Club, Drighlington, BD11 1AB Tel 0113 2852644 Cost - £20 for adults £10 for children under 14

Starters

Chef's Homemade Leek & Potato Soup topped with Croutons
 Ocean Royal Prawn and Crayfish Cocktail wrapped in Scottish Smoked Salmon
 Duck and Orange Pate served with Red Onion Chutney and Melba Toast
 (served with freshly baked Bread Roll and Butter)

Mains

Traditional Roast Norfolk Turkey Breast served with Stuffing, Pigs in Blanket and Gravy
 Traditional Topside of Beef served with Homemade Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy
 Salmon Fillet served with a White Wine and Asparagus Sauce
 (Served with Seasonal Vegetables, Mashed Potatoes and Roast Potatoes)

Desserts

Homemade Apple and Blackberry Crumble served with Custard
 Traditional Christmas Pudding served with Brandy Sauce
 Lemon Cheesecake served with Vanilla Ice Cream

To Finish

Ground Coffee, Tea and Mints

Booking form for Christmas lunch. Please note if anyone is unable to attend they will need to contact Manor Golf Club direct and liaise with them regarding any reimbursement. If anyone has any dietary requirements such as **gluten free** or **diabetic** please indicate this on your booking form and they will accommodate your requirements. Seating is limited to 80 persons so Booking Forms will be accepted on a first come first served basis. **Payment to be made at the time of booking.** The cost of the meal is £20 per adult and £10 per child under 14 Please indicate on your booking form which is a child's meal. The final booking will be taken on **Sunday 24th November**. On the payment slip it would be appreciated if you could indicate which starter, main course and dessert per person, this will speed up service on the day. Booking forms should be sent with cheques made payable to **Kirklees Model Boat Club** to: Mrs P Reffin, 79 Carr Bridge Drive, Cookridge, Leeds LS16 7LB or handed to Pat at the lakeside on a Sunday morning or at Club night.

Payment before Sunday 24th November

Name

Payment of £..... in respect ofperson(s)

| Member's Name | Starter | Main Course | Dessert | Amount Paid |
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