



# Mariner

NEWSLETTER OF KIRKLEES MODEL BOAT CLUB—  
SEPTEMBER 2010

**KMBC**

**Navy Day**

12th September

Wilton Park Batley

All welcome

## A.G.M. 10th November 2010

**Please do try and attend, venue is The Sports Centre, Windmill Lane, Batley.**

The Annual general meeting of the club will take place on the 10th November 2010. If any member has any proposals to put to the club, such as Rule changes or suggestions etc, they must be submitted in writing to the Club secretary, Mrs Pat Reffin, 79 Carr Bridge Drive, Cookridge, Leeds LS16 7LB. before the final date for inclusion in the A.G.M. Agenda, 13th October 2010. Alternatively you may email your proposal to [pat@kirkleesmodelboatclub.org.uk](mailto:pat@kirkleesmodelboatclub.org.uk).

Welcome to the September edition of the KMBC newsletter, with yet another year nearly over but still a number of club events to take place. A warm welcome also to the new members who have joined us, making our membership nearly 150,(what an achievement).

Thanks must go to all members and families that have made this year such a success. The Open Day on the 11th July was a major financial fund raiser for both the club and the RNLI , and let us hope that the Navy Day on the 12th September will be just as successful.

All branches of our club, Scale, Yachting, Tug towing, Club 500 and even Hovercraft seem to be having a resurgence down at Wilton Park and I do hope that this will continue and if any of the new members need any assistance in any branch of our hobby, all they have to do is ask!!

Many thanks to Richard Simpson for his excellent "Steam Convention" article in Model Boats Magazine, which once again shows how KMBC is leading the way.

Unfortunately due to working shift patterns Chris Behan has had to tender his resignation from the committee. I am sure that all members would like to thank him for his work for the club, both at home and away events. Over the last 13 years that I have known Chris, he has been a valued member of the Committee.

Phill Bowker

The Club Annual Christmas Luncheon is on the 12th December at Heath Cottage Hotel, spaces are limited so book early. Menu and Booking Form are on pages 4 and 5 .

It is with deep regret that we must announce the passing of Mrs Pat France, the wife of Alan in late July. Our thoughts go out to Alan and his family at this time. Pat was always an ardent follower of our hobby, and was seen at many of the exhibitions and home events of the club. A number of club members attended the funeral on Thursday 5th August.



The Three Wise Men enjoying themselves at the "Steam Convention" on 23rd May



Richard Simpson at work testing steam plant during the morning of Steam Day



Raymond Binns receiving the "Steam Queen" Trophy for the best boat on the day from Club President Brian Daffern

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Hi there shipmates

Firstly can I say I was saddened to hear of the death of Alan Padgett and a collection was carried out at the lakeside and we raised £58.00 and this was given to the McMillan Nurses.

Long time since I have reported back on events. **24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> April** Bridlington Spring Open Day. Well attended, weather was good no weed problems at that time. Scoonies Hobbies provided the trade support. Lots of models on display and they made up feel quite welcome. **6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> May** Harrogate Model Engineering Exhibition. Well attended again. Good weather all weekend. Lots of model boats on display. Lots of model engineering, trains, steam, model trucks, model aircraft. Trade support for boats was by SHG and Model Power. I got a 2<sup>nd</sup> for scratch built model, Chris Behan got two 3<sup>rd</sup> in the model boat section and Ian Stewart got a 3<sup>rd</sup> with his steam wagon entry. **23<sup>rd</sup> May** our Steam Day. This was well attended, Richard Simpson carried out five tests and issues five certificates. Quite a good selection of steam models on display and on the water. Also a very large display of steam engines by Ian Stewart. The weather was excellent. Raymond Binns was the first winner of the "Steam Queen" trophy for the best steam boat. Big thanks to the ladies who did the refreshments and thanks to the members who provided items for the catering tent. Richard Simpson really made this event happen and it is down to his efforts that it was such a success. The club has had to buy some test equipment and Richard will, if possible, carry out and test any small boilers/safety valves. If you need any more information Richard has an e-mail address on the club website. We hope to run this event again next year and we have had a very good report in Model Boats Magazine and the Editor made the following remark "providing properly authorized and regulated steam testing facilities was a master stroke and Kirklees MBC are to be congratulated". **31<sup>st</sup> May** Hull MBC Open Day. As always made very welcome here by Linda and Alan Spicer. 6 Club members attended. A lovely day and free sailing all day. Bob Astbury and Mick Burtop had lots of raffle prize winning tickets. Could do with a good sat nav as they got lost! **31<sup>st</sup> May** visit to Kingsmill. Marine Modelling Open Day attended by Mick Armitage, John, Jabba (Noel) Mike Cole, Richard, Bill, Cliff, Jason and Nigel. These members were made very welcome. It was a large lake but very choppy. Jabba took an award with his Eldergarth tug. Well done Jabba. At the end of the day Nigel had to give a short speech to inform them that this event would be at Kirklees MBC in 2011. **19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> June** CADMA Northern Model Boat Show. I won best naval vessel with Gambier Bay Aircraft Carrier, Chris Behan got a 2<sup>nd</sup> in the naval class and Adam Holmes won the best junior model boat builder. We also won best stand again. I would recommend this location for anyone to visit next year. Lots of aircraft to see as well as the model boats. Good hotels in the area if you wish to stop over. **June** – Jabba went to Liverpool for tug towing and managed to get a first. Sorry for not knowing more details.

**11<sup>th</sup> July KMBC Open Day.** A big thanks to everyone who helped to erect and dismantle the tents at the end of the day plus the display equipment. The tea ladies did a wonderful job. They were able to try out the new boiler and pump and both worked well. Thanks to Geoff Jacques and Keith Hays for their work in obtaining and setting up the new boiler. The duckboards for the tent made by Tim Stevenson were a success also. It was a glorious day (about the only nice Sunday in July). 18 clubs attended from all over the north of England. 6 traders attended also. We had 53 raffle prizes, two of which are still unclaimed see the club website for details. Lots of models on display and on the water. It was a busy day in the park and Gawthorpe Junior Band played to their usual high standard. The RNLI were very pleased with the amount we donated to their cause. I have contacted all the raffle prize donors and thanked them for their support and given those details of the donation. Brian Daffern acted as Judge to find the best Kirklees MBC boat. This was awarded to Tim Stevenson for his hovercraft and he is the first recipient of the Dennis Smart Trophy. Thanks to Chris Behan for obtaining this new trophy. Our two youngest members attended the open day and had their photograph taken together, they are aged 7 and 5 respectively. A very successful day and enjoyed by everyone I believe.

**1<sup>st</sup> August** Bridlington MBC Open Day - Another lovely day apart from the wasps. No trade support this time. 6 members attended and were made welcome by everyone. They were still having problems with weed but everyone still managed to sail. **8<sup>th</sup> August** Goole MBC Open Day. 12 members attended. A nice day again. Trade support by Leeds Large Scale Models. 8 clubs attended. Lots of different types of boats on display. Well done to Goole for organizing a good day.

Other things that have happened since the last Newsletter. The cancelled yacht race has been moved to the **26<sup>th</sup> September**. Thanks to Steve Bowker for updating the website. 3 keys have been obtained for the disabled toilet and these are with the following: John Goodyear for Wednesday afternoon and Sunday morning, Phill Bowker for Sunday mornings and I have one as well. If you borrow these they must be returned to the relevant key holder. They are quite expensive to buy. On **7<sup>th</sup> August** we carried out some repairs to the club shed. A big thanks to all the club members who attended on that day to assist. Much appreciated. Jason, Nigel and Jabba have been altering the large tanker throughout the year for tug towing. Well done. Jason had also done a sterling job with the tea box which has raised a considerable amount for club funds, also to Keith Hays for getting the biscuits!

**Club 500 events** seem to have declined after a good start. It would appear that members would like to race next year. Can you give any feedback on this to Mick Burtop or at any club night meeting. Lots of members have bought these so it would be a shame to see it fall off the club home events list in 2011.

**Birchwood** report will be in the next Newsletter sometime before Christmas.

**Flying Night 20<sup>th</sup> October at Whitcliffe Mount Sports Centre, Turnsteads Avenue, Cleckheaton BD19 3AQ.** This is booked for 9.30 p.m. 1 hour. Everyone should meet in the bar at about 8.15 p.m. Outdoor shoes cannot be worn in the sports hall and must be removed. The cost per flyer will be £1.00. This is to help offset the cost of the hire of the hall. We are having to hold it at this Sports Centre and the new Centre Manager at Batley Sports Hall would not give his permission for this event.

**Advance notice** of events for 2011. **29<sup>th</sup> May** Bank Holiday **Monday**. KMBC will be holding the Mobile Marine Open Day. Further details next year.

Don't forget the **AGM in November** this time. Look forward to seeing lots of you there then. This the time when decision about the club can be made and your views and opinions can be aired.

I would like to thank every club member and their partners for helping in any event whether it is home or away from the park for your hard work in making the year a success for KMBC, as well as Keith and Val Hays for the welcome to their home for some of our committee meetings. Hope to see you all at the annual Christmas lunch on **12<sup>th</sup> December**.

Stan

**Club Night 8th September is combined with "Night Sail". So come on down to the lake and let us have some boats lit up on the water.**

**Remember to use the bottom car park as the gates are closed and locked early .**

**Don't forget Navy Day 12th September, and please bring wrapped sandwiches for the tea tent!!!!!!**



Sorry Roger !!!!! Club 500 Race 27-4-10



Round the 1st Bouy Club 500 16-5-10



Tugging away May 2nd 2010



Smiling Jabba Klngsmill MBC 31-5-10



The Winners Doncaster 19th/20th June



KMBC Stand Doncaster 19th/20th June



Douge Potter receiving Northwind Trophy from Club Secretary Pat Reffin



Open Day 11th July, Sue from Mountfleet Models manning the stand



Balne Moor Model Boat Club Stand, one of 18 visiting clubs at Open day.



Gawthorpe Band provided the music for us.



Ahoy there Captain Pugwash A.K.A. Nigel.



Reece & Zachary our 2 youngest members.



Tim's Hovercraft leading the parade of boats during the afternoon.



The ladies of the Tea Tent provided us with sustenance throughout the day.



Tim Stevenson receiving the Dennis Smart Memorial Trophy for the best KMBC boat of the day



# KIRKLEES MODEL BOAT CLUB



## CHRISTMAS FAYRE LUNCHEON.

V Cream of Carrot & Coriander Soup

V Chef's Herby Yorkshire Pudding with Onion Gravy

V Fresh Seasonal Fruit Platter

Brussels Pate with Hot Toast and Salad Garnish

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Traditional Roast Norfolk Turkey & Pork Platter

served with Pigs in Blankets, Roast Gravy and an Apple and Sultana  
Chutney

Poached Haddock with a Parsley Butter Sauce

Chicken and Leek Pie in a Shortcrust Pastry

V Mediterranean Filo Tartlet

Mixed Vegetables in a Creamy Sauce topped with Melted Mozzarella

All served with Seasonal Vegetables & Potatoes of the Day

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Traditional Christmas Pudding drizzled in Brandy Sauce

Pavlova filled with Seasonal Fruits

Rum Snap Basket filled with Creamy Vanilla Ice Cream

and topped with Belgian Chocolate Chips

Strawberry Gateau served with Whipped Cream

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Followed by Freshly Brewed Coffee served with Mince Pies and Chocolate  
Mints

## Kirklees Model Boat Club

### Annual Christmas Luncheon. Booking Form.

The Lunch will be held at Heath Cottage Hotel, Wakefield Road, Dewsbury. Tel. 01924 465399 or 457136. **On Sunday 12th December 2010.** Please attend between 11.30am –midday, the meal will be served at 12.30pm. If for any reason you have difficulty attending on the day, i.e. weather, please ring the hotel direct and let them know so that a message can be passed on. Any claim for a refund for not attending (During 24 hours prior to the event) will be between that person and Heath Cottage Hotel.

Seating is limited and Booking Forms will be accepted on a first come first served principle.

A deposit of £5 is required per person including children. This deposit is **non refundable.**

The cost of the meal is £16.95p per adult person and £10 per child under 10 years old.

Please indicate on the booking form, which is a children's meal.

A Vegetarian meal is included on the menu, if for any reason you require different vegetarian needs please indicate on the booking slip.

The Deposit must be paid by **Sunday 10th October 2010** and final payment by **Sunday 14th November 2010.** On the deposit slip please indicate which starter, main course, and sweet per person, this will speed up service on the day.

Booking forms should be sent with cheques to: Mrs Pat Reffin 79 Carr Bridge Drive, Cookridge, Leeds, LS16 7LB Tel. 0113 267 5790. Cheques made payable to Kirklees Model Club.

Please Detach

**Before Sunday 14th November 2010**

**Final payment slip**

Name.....

Balance of payment £.....in respect of .....person(s)

Please detach

**Before Sunday 10th October 2010**

**Deposit slip**

Name.....

Deposit £.....(£5 per person) enclosed for .....person(s)

**Starter**

**Main Course**

**Sweet**