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Newsletter of Kirklees Model Boat Club

September 2014

Annual General Meeting.
Nov 12th 8.00 pm
Start at
Batley Sports Centre.

Welcome to September issue of the KMBC newsletter. What a marvellous year this has been for the Club with all the major lakeside events being blessed with good weather and may I say a big thank-you to all members and visitors who made these events so successful. Exhibition events have brought home honours for Chris Behan, Stan Reffin, Roger Shepherd and junior member Emily Dyson, which goes to show the very high standard of modelling from all aspects and every member. This year has broken the record again for the number of club members which now stands at over 180. Events down at the lakeside have seen more yachtsmen and ladies taking part in the Sunday morning KMBC races, as well as the Wednesday afternoon events. Club 500 has seen a comeback thanks to the efforts of Richard Simpson and John Goodyear so hopefully we will see more of the "Demolition Derby".

The Annual General Meeting of the club will be held at Batley Sports Centre Windmill Lane. Batley. On the 12th of November 2014 at 7.30pm for an 8.00 pm start, this is your chance to air your views, and propose any changes to committee members, club rules or procedures. Any proposal must be sent to the club Secretary to arrive not later than 2 weeks before the meeting, that is the 29th October 2014. After 5 years as Chairman it is now time for me to hand on the gavel to someone else. I would still serve on the committee if voted on to do so, but the club must now find someone else to produce the newsletter and keep the website up to date. I would like to thank everyone who has supported me over the last 5 years, especially the members of the committee and all the members who have encouraged me during this time I have been proud to serve such a successful club which has gone from strength to strength over the years. Finally a big thank-you to Stan and Pat Reffin, Margaret Wyatt for all their help.

This issue contains details of the menu and Booking Form for the Club Christmas Dinner to be held at the Manor Golf Club. Bradford Road. Drighlington. BD11 1AB. So book early for this event on the 7th December, and come along for a delicious meal and entertainment provided by none other than Stan the "Gotcha Man" Reffin, and maybe this year someone will get their own back again. This will be the second time we have used this venue, and if last year was anything to go by the food and surroundings are excellent.

Phill Bowker.

Chairman KMBC



Stan Reffin with cup for best model in show at CADMA Doncaster Show, with his model of DUKW



Emily Dyson with presentation for best junior model in show at Harrogate



**Members in attendance at Harrogate
Not sure about the one next to Richard Simpson.**



Chris Behan with Presentation for best model in show at Harrogate

Hi there shipmates – It is a long time since my last ramblings and it is hard to believe we are now going into the autumn/winter period. To new members that have joined us since April I hope you have enjoyed the organized events provided by the club.

News from Wilton Park, the new café and toilet block are now up and running, meaning the old toilet block is no longer in use. You may have heard that there are problems with the new toilets, the Council are aware of the problem and are dealing with this. You may have also noticed a new bench has appeared near the fountain. This is in memory of Joe Strand the founder member of the Club. The new container was installed in April without any problems and I would like to thank everybody who came down to help with emptying the old container and carry out the work to ensure the new one was OK. The Council are very pleased with the new container and how we handled the necessary risk assessments and consultations with them. I would like to thank the members who came down to sort out the tables, clean them and repair the cardboard boxes. This was a request of the ladies in the tea tent.

Events at the Park. April Blue Ribband sail race was won by Stuart Smith. Steam Day/Mountfleet Open Day was a well supported day. Lots of steam models on display and Mountfleet models. A big thank you to Richard Simpson for all his efforts in testing. The best steam model was won by Mark Croucher from the north east of England. The best Mountfleet Model was Terry Scarth. **May Northwind** sail race was won by Duggie Potter, the club 500 race was limited to club members due to lack of support by other clubs. **July Open Day.** A resounding success on a lovely sunny day. 14 visiting clubs, 4 traders and individuals from various parts of the country. Thank you to all members who helped erecting tents and various other tasks at the start and end of the day and any member who participated during the day. An excellent raffle with lots of good prizes. The RNLI were very pleased with our donation to them and what they raised on their stall on the day. The Denis Smart trophy for the best Kirklees Model went to Mick Burtop with his steam drifter, and the best tug model went to Jason Butterworth. President's Cup was won by John Goodyear. **September Navy/Warship Day.** Again a resounding success and we were blessed with good weather. A fine selection of war ships on display, and other models were also exhibited. I would like to thank Nick Holmes for the additional items fitted to the dock, there have been lots of positive comments about it. We had visitors from Bristol which is a 5 hour drive and visitors from the north of England. A good raffle and all the prizes have been claimed. The Les Kirby trophy for the best Kirklees naval boat went to Trevor Briggs for his card model of German Federal Navy ship Rommel. I received an e-mail from a club member praising 2 junior members on Navy Day for their efforts in setting up and taking items back to the container. Well done. I have forwarded on the relevant e-mail to the junior members concerned. **Night sail** at Wilton Park all be it that this was a very poor turn out the, it was a lovely fine evening and we had numerous passers-by coming in to compliment us on the display. I would like to thank Brian and Audrey Senior, Ken Davies, Willie Crowther and his wife and Bob Milliband for turning up. Lets hope next year we can have a better turn out! George Trophy for the Jif 65s was won by John Goodyear.

Future events at Wilton Park which will not be covered by this newsletter are as follows: Final S class race, club 500 race, indoor flying night in October.

A thank you goes to Richard Simpson and John Goodyear for their liaison for the Club 500 events this year. I propose to include a monthly club 500 race from March through to October/November in the events calendar next year.

Finally thank you to Kathleen Stones, Kath Ingle, Lynne Eccles, Val Hays and Emily Dyson for their sterling work in the tea tent on all our major events. We would be lost without a cup of tea! I personally would like to thank John Dowd from the Runcorn Club who visits all our major events every year showing his selection of large schooners. Always gets lots of interest.

Away events May – Model Engineering Exhibition Very well supported. We were in our normal position very close to the pool. Lots of model boats to see from various clubs around the UK. Lots of other types of models including, trains, planes, steam engines traction engines etc. It is well worth exhibiting or visiting next year. I am pleased to say Emily Dyson won best junior competition at this event with her Titanic. Well done Emily. Chris Behan also got a 2nd certificate and best model boat with his Zubr Russian hovercraft. **June Northern Model Boat Show** Doncaster. Well attended by club members and members exhibiting on the club stand. A good selection of models on display and excellent trade stands. We won best club stand at this event. **August Goole Open Day** I attended this on behalf of the club. A dry day but windy, well supported by visiting clubs. I was made welcome by the Goole members. Bridlington MBC open weekend was attended by some of our members. Sorry but I have no further information. **Boat Convention at Haydock Park** excellent convention, lots of models to see, great trade support. The Russians attended again this year. Thanks to all club members who exhibited and helped to put and take down the club stand and to all club members who attended. Congratulations to Chris Behan for winning in the individual group category with his Zubr hovercraft. Well done to Adam Holmes for his commentary efforts again this year. Emily Dyson came 5th in the junior competition but she had some very stiff opposition from older junior members from Russia. Well done Emily for representing the club.

It is impossible to list every event away from the Park but I understand some members may have taken part at Balne Moor tug towing, attending the J class meetings in Nottingham and at Keighley sail events, not sure of the name of the area. Tim Stevenson for representing the club at various Hovercraft events. **September Deans Marine Open Day** attended by myself, Roger Shepherd and John Fowler. The new Deans Marine shop is excellent and if you are in the area well worth a visit. Remaining main events that members may attend is Tug Towing at Balne Moor and the Blackpool Model Boat Show. Check out your away events list for details of these and any other remaining events.

I will be compiling the home and away events list for 2015. These will be published in January.

AGM 12th November at Batley Sports Centre – any proposals for the Agenda must be with Pat Reffin the Secretary by letter or e-mail by **Friday 17th October.**

Christmas lunch the menu and booking slip are in this newsletter. Please note all moneys must be paid with your order, and the last date for payment is **Sunday November 23rd.** We are restricted to 80 so it needs to be on a first come first served basis.

The committee would like to thank all members for their continued support in all activities throughout the year. I know that it has been mentioned earlier about the ladies in the tea tent but I would like to thank them also and not forgetting Karen and Pat for their efforts selling the raffle tickets and Adam Holmes' granddad for new lighthouses he has provided for the dock area. If you have donated anything over the year many thanks. Finally the committee itself for all the hard work that goes on behind the scenes to make the club so successful. Look forward to a good year in 2015. Don't forget **Sunday 21st December** at Wilton Park will be our Christmas fuddle, mince pies, pork pies etc. anything anyone wants to bring along.

Stan.

All donations for the Christmas Dinner Raffle. Could you bring them on the day

Club Night on the 8th October is "Flying Night" so come along to the Batley Sports Centre to have a go with your indoor model aircraft or helicopter, £2 per entry. It's great fun.

March Hare 16th March.

1. John Goodyear.
 2. Cathy Wilson.
 3. Doug Potter.
 4. Fred Senior.
 5. Stuart Smith. *5points
 6. Jack Stanley.
 7. Roy Clarkson.
 8. Harry Sharp. *4points
 9. Bill Crowther.
 10. Andrew O' Connor.
 11. Harold Robinson. *3 points
- * indicates S Class entries with points going to accumulated results at final race of year.

Blue Ribband 13th April 2014

1. Stuart Smith. *5points
 2. Fred Senior.
 3. John Goodyear.
 4. Cathy Wilson.
 5. Mike Hebdon.
 6. Bill Howie
 7. Bill Crowther.
 8. Ian Stewart . *4points
 9. John Whitehead . * 3points
 10. Raymond Binns. * 2points
- H. Sharp, Roy Clarkson, Dougie Potter, Jack Stanley, Richard Leech did not finish due to very tricky wind conditions.

Northwind Trophy 4th may 2014.

1. Dougie Potter. Northwind 28
 2. Jack Stanley. Victoria
- In the S Class category,
1. Stuart Smith *5 points
 2. Harry Sharp * 4points
- Only 7 Competitors possibly due to Bank holiday weekend

President's Cup 27th July 2014.

1. John Goodyear. Northwind
 2. Raymond Binns. Northwind
 3. Kevin Hepworth. Northwind
 8. Stuart Smith. S Class *5points
 9. Harry Sharp S Class *4points
 16. John Whitehead S Class *3points
- All 16 entries finish the Race

George Trophy (JIF65) 14th September 2014.

1. John Goodyear.
 2. Doug Potter.
 3. Dave Baker.
 4. Joanne Sharpe.
 5. Kevin Hepworth.
 6. Stuart Smith.
 7. Bill Crowther.
- This race is restricted to JIF65 yachts only. So no S Class points are awarded .

S Class Accumulated points carried forward to the

Final Race on 28th September 2014.

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| 1. | Stuart Smith | 20 points |
| 2. | Harry Sharp | 12 points |
| 3. | John Whitehead | 6 points |
| 4. | Ian Stewart | 4 points |
| 5. | Harold Robinson | 3 points |
| 6. | Raymond Binns | 2 points |

**Remember that the Final Race of the season carries
DOUBLE points.**



John Goodyear being presented with the "George Trophy" (JIF65) by Margaret Wyatt

Well done to all who entered these races, it keeps alive the tradition of yacht racing on a Sunday morning, as well the now very competitive racing on Wednesday afternoons. S Class seems to have fewer and fewer entries and it would be nice to have more members interested if we are not going to let the class be discontinued!!!!

KIRKLEES MODEL BOAT CLUB
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCH TO BE HELD AT
MANOR GOLF CLUB BRADFORD ROAD DRIGHLINGTON BD11 1AB
ON THE 7TH DECEMBER 2014 11:30am for 12:00 START.

MENU

Starters

Chefs Homemade Winter Vegetable Soup

Or

Traditional Prawn & Crayfish Cocktail served in a Brandy Scented Marie-Rose Sauce

Or

Chicken Liver Pate served with Mixed Leaves, Chutney & Hot Buttered Toast

Served with a Freshly Baked Bread Roll and Butter

Mains

Traditional Roast Turkey Breast, Sausage Meat & Herb Seasoning,
Chipolata and Rich Gravy

Or

Oven Roast Salmon Fillet served in a Cream and Leek Sauce

Or

Roast Topside of Beef served with Yorkshire Pudding & Traditional Gravy

Served with Seasonal Vegetables & Roast Potatoes

Dessert

Homemade Apple & Mixed Berry Crumble served with Custard

Or

Traditional Christmas Pudding served with Brandy Sauce

Or

Classic Citron Tart served with Fresh Whipped Cream

Coffee & Mince pies

£16.50 per person, £8.25 per child under 12 years.



Mick Burtop winner of the "Dennis Smart Memorial Trophy" presented by Pat Reffin on Open Day.



Jason Butterworth winner of the "Top Tug Trophy", presented by Pat Reffin on Open Day.



Trevor Briggs winner of "Les Kirby Memorial Trophy" presented by Les Kirby's daughter on Navy Day.

Booking Form For Christmas Lunch.

Please note that 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 special 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 principle.

This year we are using the previous format of one Final payment. The cost of the meal is £16.50 per adult person and £8.25 per child under 12 years old. Please indicate on the booking form, which is a child's meal.

The final payment must be paid by **Sunday 23rd November 2014**. On the payment slip it would be appreciated if you could 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 or handed to Pat at the lakeside or at a club night.

Tel. 0113 267 5790. Cheques made payable to Kirklees Model Club.

Please Detach

Final Payment Slip please send before Sunday 23rd November 2014

Name.....

Payment £.....in respect ofperson(s)