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MANX MODEL BOAT CLUB Newsletter

Manx Model Boat Club Notice of Annual General Meeting

Thursday 24th November 2011, 7:00pm.

The Annual General Meeting of the Manx Model Boat Club will be held in the Meeting Room at the Archibald Knox Public House in Onchan on Thursday 24th November 2011 starting at 7:00pm. All existing members and prospective new members are welcome to attend.

Agenda

- 1) Apologies for Absence.
 - 2) Minutes from last years Annual General Meeting.
 - 3) Matters Arising from the Minutes.
 - 4) Chairman's Report.
 - 5) Treasurer's Report.
 - 6) Election of Club Officials for 2012 (Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, + 5 Committee).
 - 7) Proposed Fixture List for 2012.
 - 8) Mannanan 2012.
 - 9) Any Other Business.
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- ◆ Nomination forms for the election of Officials and Committee are attached. If you would like to stand for one of the positions please complete the form and have it signed by your proposer and seconder (must be a club members) before returning them to the Acting Club Chairman, John Williams, on or before the AGM meeting.
 - ◆ Please note the meeting start time of 7:00pm which is earlier than for our normal committee meetings, and which should allow those members travelling from the North / South of the island time to get home at a reasonable hour.
 - ◆ The meeting will be followed by a free buffet supper for members at 8:30pm, and a general chat about all things to do with model boating.

Return of Trophies

Can members who currently have club trophies please return them to Brain King as soon as possible so that he can arrange for the engraving of names for next years winners. Brian can be e-mailed at kingb@manx.net, or telephone 628156.



Annual Dinner & Prize Presentation, Saturday 12th November, 7:30pm

This year we are returning to Views Restaurant at Onchan Park to hold our Annual Dinner and Prize Presentation evening. This will be held on Saturday 12th November starting 7:30pm with all members and their guests invited to attend.

I have attached a copy of Views menu, and we have been asked to provide details of the numbers attending with Starters & Main Course choices in advance. Members who are feeling peckish can also choose from the desert menu on the evening. Rather than collect money from members in advance of the meal, we have decided that it would be better for members to settle their own bills with the restaurant on the evening before leaving. (I will have a list so don't try doing a runner!)

Please see to the attached menu for your meal choices.

To help us determine numbers, we would be grateful if you could complete the attached reply form and return it to the Club Secretary along with your menu choices by Friday 4th November at the latest. You can also e-mail your reply to me at mmbc@manx.net.



The dinner will be followed by the presentation of prizes and awards to this years competition winners, and there will also be the usual club raffle.



Annual Dinner & Prize Presentation Saturday 12th November

(this form to be returned by Friday 4th November at the latest)

Members Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____

Starter Choices _____ Main Course Choices _____

Number Attending _____

Please return this completed form and return it to the Club Secretary, Jason Quayle, 34 Berry Woods Grove, Governors Hill, Douglas, IM2 7BX. Members can also e-mail their reply to me at mmbc@manx.net

Obituary

Members will have been saddened by the news back in July of the passing of a long time friend of the Club, Mr Alan Seddon following his illness with cancer. I understand from Keith Jewell that he had been responding well to treatment and just prior to his passing he had joined a new model club near to where he lived so that he could go yachting.

Alan was a guest judge at Mannanan on a number of occasions during the early years of the event and was also instrumental in introducing the Manx Model Boat Club into the Boat Convention at Ellesmere Port when he was chairman of the Convention. He would even go to the extent of making sure a Manx flag was always flying when the club attended.

Alan was a huge benefit to the club when Manannan was in the process of being set up particularly helping with the classification and judging of the scale models, with him being a well known and respected judge on the UK circuit. Alan was also the chairman of the North West Association when it was in operation.

Over the years Alan has supplied a lot of hulls which he designed and built to members on the Island at very little over cost, not to mention all the electrics, motors, batteries etc to fit them out.

He will be sadly missed by his friends on the island.



Alan Seddon (left) pictured alongside Dave Collier and Doug Wheeler during Mannanan with Ramsey Mooragh Lake in the background.

Sunday Sailing

Although the formal sailing events for the season have been completed, sailing will continue on a Sunday morning at Silverdale through out the Winter months, weather permitting. This Sunday morning 'get together' is open to all members to come along and have a general sail, or just a chat to catch up with other members and to discuss your latest project. Members tend to arrive at Silverdale at about 10am and the sailing generally runs through until just about lunch time.

Tug Towing Competition

The Tug Towing competition was held on Sunday 9th October in fine but breezy conditions. Due to the direction of the wind, the planned course in the middle of the lake had to be abandoned and a smaller course set up at the “calm” end of Onchan park.

With 6 competitors in the under 1m class and 4 competitors in the over 1m class, steady progress was made during the first run with the under 1m tugs towing the smaller barge and the over 1m tugs towing the larger barge. Despite the wind, most skippers managed to navigate the course with reasonable scores during the first round.

It became apparent that some of the smaller modern tugs actually have more power than some of their larger cousins, so during the second round both Jasons tried towing the larger barge with their under 1m boats, having respectable scores compared to the 1m boats. This is something which we may need to consider in the future basing the tow on the tugs ability rather than it size.

During the first round Jason Quayles over 1m tug ‘Envoy’ successfully completed the course despite a list whilst towing across the wind. Unfortunately during the second round the list became more severe and part way between the final two obstacles the tug capsized and sank to the bottom. A quick salvage operation was launched by Jason Fleming and with the help of Howard the tug was recovered to the side to dry out, virtually intact.

Under 1 Meter

Both runs

1st	Alan Gough	Tid	1	
2nd	Cameron Watterson	Torban	5	
3rd	Mike Leece	Cabbyi Mariey	9	
4th	Howerd Quayle	Tid	11	
5th	Jason Fleming	Tito Neri	17	Both casualties
6th	Roy Watterson	Torban	17	
6th	Jason Quayle	Parat	23	Both casualties

Over 1 meter

1st	Cameron Watterson	Golden Sun	31	
2nd	Roy Watterson	Sea Spray	46	
3rd	Jason Quayle	Envoy	19	1 x run
4th	Alan Gough		Out	



Cameron Watterson has provided me with some rather spectacular photographs of a friends model of “Our Lass” being sailed through the breakers in some ‘real seas’ just off Peel beach.—Its almost as good as the Deadliest Catch!