



# **MANX MODEL BOAT CLUB**

## **NEWSLETTER**

June 2022

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Hello everyone.

Now that TT has been and gone we can get on with the return of Mannanan back as a two day weekend event at Silverdale. Last years format, the laid back approach with just a hint of competition is repeated in style this year. We have, of course, re-introduced the scale competition as it's the only way to get all those new and wonderful builds out on display. We have included a section for the vehicles this year, in a simpler format and have kept the On-the-Water event as well. More further along in the read.

We also anticipate welcoming back friends from across the water for the first time since 2019. We forget how the Island succeeded for some time with it's closed borders policy in 2020 with a limited lock down to start. I believe some were very envious of us enjoying summer sailing, freely mixing at Silverdale during their lockdowns.

We've managed to complete all events so far, though behind the scenes we've had to pull out of an engagement for the Av-a-Go boats simply because we are too few and, lets face it, growing longer teeth. There were also plans to combine that with a grand lifeboat display, unfortunately that suffered the same fate, though it will be planned again for the Hilary Service next year as we are hoping for a place to display during the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary memorial in 2024 which we understand is being recorded for TV.

The Courthouse display worked well, and I've found another place in Ramsey willing to give us their facility to display, the Heritage Centre on Waterloo Road.

So without any more fudge, lets report on what's been going on in the Club.

Aye, Kim

## Vintage Yachting Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup>

As usual held on the Mooragh Lake up at Ramsey. The day started very wet and quite windy but the forecast was for it clearing, and as is almost always the case up North, the weather cleared to nice bright sunshine and a gentle breeze.

Brian King and myself were the only participants, Brian bringing along a Marblehead and a recently restored to order 36R taken on from the late Jackie Ball. Bad luck though, the transmitter used was really poor for distance, just a few yards, and in attempting a quick change over of radio gear the rudder push rod end fitting gave way. Not much sailing for Brian.

I took along my two 36R 's my Chloe, built from Model Maker plans of the Skylark, and Lady Betty, one of the late Dr Revell's builds also a Model Maker boat.

Jason Quayle also popped along for a coffee and chat and possible some new sailors too, Steve Woodley, a flier colleague of Brian's, and his wife.



Jackie Ball's 36R back in sailing trim.

Under the covered area, with Jason Q  
and that Ramsey sunshine



Brian King proudly displaying the 36R  
in bright sunshine at Ramsey.  
Initials on the deck hatch cover  
MMYC : Mooragh Model Yacht Club

## Lucky for some?

As you all know, we will when ever possible attend regular Sunday sailing at Silverdale, quick sail, tea/coffee and long chats.

Well one Sunday in April, the 17<sup>th</sup> according to my camera, again another sunny day, whilst chewing the cud, Brian Marsh's Perkasa boat was once again marked out for attention.

It seems success in last years Spithead made this boat an instant target for a visiting seagull, plop on the transom board, and not noticed till after the drinks, so it had time a plenty to harden and dry. Lucky Brian, they usually go for ducklings on the water.



That's a good job it didn't hit the decking, just imagine cleaning that off around those fittings.

## Gone but still in touch

Some may not be aware but Neil Paterson, grandad to Robbie, has left the Island and returned to Scotland. He's still very interested in our goings on and Robbie is still popping along with his boats and either his mother or father accompany him to events and some Sunday mornings.

## Steering Competition, Silverdale Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May

If you look on the website you'll see that Jason Q has put on a video of Nigel Latham and myself quickly setting out the steering course whilst wearing our waders. It's quite difficult walking the course in the water trying to set buoys to the correct depth in the arrangement as printed on an A4 sheet. There's always lots of advice from the sides though.

On this particular Sunday the weed was extremely bad looking. Every where we waddled we had to lift out masses of filamentous green weed, long streamers of it just below the surface.

A fine day, starting overcast but clearing with a cheeky gusty breeze just to make things tricky for the lighter boats carrying more windage. Again a simple course was set, trying not to be an eyesight test. Jason Q sailed Dornoch on a test run through the course to establish if the weed would be a problem, it seemed to be okay.

Just a small field of competitors BK JQ BS KH JH LQ and RP (junior). 4 classes for the steering, two having to have a runoff against the clock to decide winners. A late trial run by Robbie proved he has the skills already. He sailed Kim's over 1 meter Spectre around the course clear, Spectre is about 1.2m long!

### Results Over 1 metre

Name	Boat	Points lost Run 1		result
Brian King	Wendy Ann	5		2
Kim Holland	Spectre	0		1
Robbie Paterson	Spectre	0	Junior	1

### Under 1 metre (over 600)

Name	Boat	Points lost Run 1	Timed run 2	result
Brian Swinden	Lifeboat George & Mary Webb	0	1 1m 11.9s	2
Jason Quayle	Yessir	0	0 1m 19.8s	1
John Hancox	Cameo	6	**	
Brian King	Cygnus	6	**	

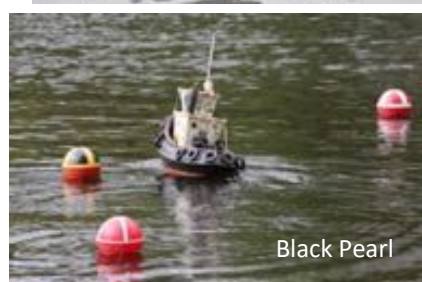
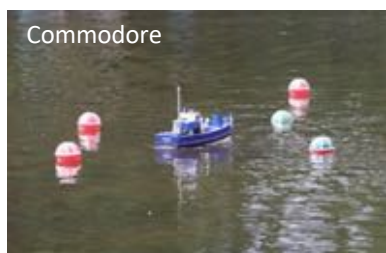
Mini (under 600 over 450)

Name	Boat	Points lost run 1	Timed run 2	result
Jason Quayle	Dornoch	0	0 1m 17.0	2
Brian Swinden	Janeve	0	0 1m 07s	1
Brian King	DO 22	5	**	
Les Quayle	Commodore	6	**	

Micro (under 450)

Name	Boat	Points lost		result
Jason Quayle	D class lifeboat	0		1
Kim Holland	Black Pearl	1		2
Robbie Paterson	H 100	2	Junior	1

A few of the boats that participated.





## **General Sail-in Onchan Park 15<sup>th</sup> May**

This year the Club has decided to make more use of the permission we have to use the boating Lake at Onchan Park. It also gives us a chance to present our boats to a new audience during the evening and also for those not getting to Silverdale to join in.

This first sail-in was well attended, about 7 boaters, even though the weather had threatened to close in and rain. Indeed, that well known sun trap up North had a good dose of rain at 17:25 although it missed Onchan!

## **Big Night Out Sunday evening Onchan 15<sup>th</sup> June**

Several boaters attended with moderately sized vessels. Although anyone can bring along any boat and join in, as did Robbie bringing along his mum and dad.

As I didn't go along I have no other information.

Here's a picture of some of the boats that made it though.



## Mannanan 2022 25/26<sup>th</sup> June Silverdale.

A quick repeat of the weekends timetable for you all.

### SATURDAY

9 to 10	Set-up and signing in to competitions
11	On the Water competition
12.30 to 13.30	Lunch period / general sailing
13.30 to 1600	<b>Judging of the vehicles competition</b> Trucks and vehicles displaying and driving about. General sailing on lake Small pool for small boats ( paddle wheelers/pop-pops etc) (carton racers / etc)

### SUNDAY

9 to 10.30	<b>Set up for scale competition</b> entries for scale competition
10.30	<b>Judging commences scale competition</b>
10.30	Free sailing and trucking
12.30 to 13.30	lunch period
13.30 to 14.30	free sailing / vehicles
14.45	Float competition entries and event
15.30	end of day

**Mannanan NOTES** there is a change for vehicle judging, see below  
Times are for guidance only, start times are true as far as feasible.

**Competitions** Enter any event at any time before it starts, see OOD  
or event scribe

**Best in Show.**

Club members and entrants on the Sunday can vote for ONE displayed boat that is eligible for this trophy. Past winners will be marked as such. Voting slips will be handed out and received back by the OOD.

**On the Water.** Saturday morning

Two trophies, under and over 1 metre, guest judge(s).

Entrants sail boats in their charge, not necessarily being built by them, no limit to entries per person.

**Scale competition.** Sunday morning

***Vehicles will be judged on the Saturday after OTW by independent judges.***

Five trophies, 4 for classifications, kit, semi kit, scratch and vehicles (all), plus the Manx Heritage Trophy for any boat exhibited with a Manx connection.

See Club secretary for definitions, and rules/judges notes.

Use designated tables and labelled areas of classes.

If owners wish to sail/drive an entry notify the judge please as it might get missed out!

**Float competition.**

Any boat, damage at your risk. Entertainment is the object but winning is nice.

Three trophies First float home, Most floats home, Last float home.

During On the Water and Float competitions, competitors boats only on the water please.

At any other time free sailing any boat or drive any vehicle.

Small pool in operation both days for "Bob's Challenge" remnants etc

Vehicles may perform and may parade each day, depending on entries and owners.