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# MANX MODEL BOAT CLUB Newsletter

## Chairmans Chat

Welcome Aboard!

Well our Steering Competition got off to an almost non event, as it came about that Onchan Park had been booked by another event despite our boat club calendar having been submitted to Onchan Commissioners.

After a quick discussion our event was hastily rearranged, Jason Fleming set out a course at Silverdale the following week and a relaxed and enjoyable event took place, so thanks to JF and all who assisted on the day. A good number of boats, good company of dubious characters and good weather.

Unfortunately I missed the Scale Day, but more of that at a later date.

Please remember that these are club events rather than serious competitions so come along and have a go, after all Cameron Watterson needs a challenge to his skills and it could be you! His mum says there is no shelf space available for any more trophies.

Our events are under way so here's to the start of a full sailing season.

Fair Weather and Happy Sailing.

*Alan Gough*

## Mannanan 2011

Alongside this newsletter you will also find your Mannanan 2011 entry form. This now needs to be completed and returned to this years event co-ordinator, John (Grumpy) Williams, as soon as possible.

The big change for this year is that Mannanan has been reduced to a two day event:-

Saturday 25th June will be the Steering Competition in the morning followed by the Tug Towing competition in the afternoon at Onchan Park.

Sunday 26th June will start with the 'On the Water' competition at Silverdale followed by Scale judging on the side of the pool from about mid day. Whilst the scale judging is going on, members will be able to have free sailing on the lake at Silverdale using boats not entered in competition. Sunday will be rounded off with the fun competition.

The traditional Mannanan Dinner & Prize Presentation will be held on Monday 27th June at Silverdale restaurant. You will find a menu attached to this newsletter, and we request that you return your reply slip indicating menu choices along with payment to John Williams with your entry form as soon as possible.

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For up to date details of sailing events, model boating information, past newsletters and photographs of our model boating activities, please visit the web site at [www.manxmodelboatclub.org](http://www.manxmodelboatclub.org). You can also e-mail any enquiries and items for inclusion in the newsletter to [mmbc@manx.net](mailto:mmbc@manx.net).

## Events List for 2011

<u>Date</u>	<u>Competition</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Time</u>
25/06/11	Mannanan 2011 (Steering Competition & Tug Towing Competition)	Onchan Park	10:00am
26/06/11	Mannanan 2011 (On the Water, Scale & Fun Competitions)	Silverdale	10:00am
02/07/11	Ramsey RNLI Day "Have a Go" Display	Outside Ramsey Lifeboat House	11:00am
02/07/11	Queenie Festival "Have a Go" Display	Port St Mary Harbour	10:00am
03/07/11	Queenie Festival "Have a Go" Display	Port St Mary Harbour	10:00am
05/07/11	Tynwald Day Display	St.Johns	9:30am
30/07/11	Traditional Boat Weekend	Peel	10:00am
31/07/11	Traditional Boat Weekend	Peel	10:00am
31/07/11	Port St Mary RNLI "Have a Go" Display	Port St Mary	12:30pm
10/08/11	Port Erin RNLI "Have a Go" Display	Port Erin	10:00am
27/08/11	The Model Boat Convention	Haydock Park	10:00am
28/08/11	The Model Boat Convention	Haydock Park	10:00am
17/09/11	Onchan Commissioners Shield, Venetian Evening & Barbecue	Onchan Park	6:30pm
02/10/11	Tug Towing Competition	Onchan Park	2:00pm
09/10/11	Tug Towing Competition - Wet Weather Alternative	Onchan Park	2:00pm
T.B.A.	Annual Dinner & Prize Presentation	T.B.A.	T.B.A.
24/11/11	Annual General Meeting	Archibald Knox	7:30pm

You will notice that we are moving into a busy period in the calendar with several 'Have a Go' displays in aid of local RNLI lifeboats. A number of these dates actually 'clash', so we are hoping to split the club resources by asking members to attend either of the events.

On Saturday 2nd July, Kim Holland is co-ordinating events at Ramsey whilst Jason Fleming is making arrangements for the Queenie Festival at Port St Mary. Similarly on the 31st July the club will be split between Traditional Boat Weekend in Peel and Port St Mary RNLI day.

Although there is not much opportunity for members to sail at each of these events, members are still required to help set up and 'keep an eye' on the kids whilst they are 'Having a Go'. Any time that you can spare would be appreciated.

You will also note Tynwald Day listed on the calendar on 5th July at St. Johns. The club actually get paid for this event, so a good showing of members models would be appreciated. Can members please e-mail Jason Quayle if you are able to attend on Tynwald Day. (jason\_quayle@manx.net).

## Obituary

A longstanding member of the club passed away recently after overcoming the amputation of a leg and various associated illnesses over the last few years. Vince Walmesley was a very enthusiastic member of the club, especially sailing his yachts on the Mooragh. For many years he ran the barber shop on Buck's Road and was a keen yachtsman. When he was unable to sail full-size yachts he turned to the models. He restored several vintage yachts and designed and built others.

After his amputation he sailed from his wheelchair at the Mooragh. He was interested in the historical side of models and built a lovely replica of an old fishing vessel which he donated to the Leece Museum in Peel. He also built a variety of other scale boats. Vince was a real gentleman, enthusiastic about any form of sailing and always keen to discuss various points with anyone interested. Unfortunately he did not survive his second amputation and we have lost a valued and enthusiastic modelling member of our club.

*Brian King*

## Steering Competition Results

Having been postponed from its original date at Onchan Park due to 'Mothers Day' (I don't know why you can't bring your mother along to watch model boats), we all arrived at Onchan park on the reserve date to find another event in 'full swing'. The decision was made to move to Silverdale the following weekend which turned out to be very successful. We had a good range of models enter the competition in classes for Under 1m, Over 1m, mini class and new for this year the micro class. The results of the various classes are as follows:

### Mini Class

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Boat</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Time</b>
1st	Jason Quayle	Dornoch	0	4.46
2nd	Cameron Watterson	Military (micro)	5	3.37
3rd	Roy Watterson	Our Lads	7	3.37
4th	Jason Fleming	Hunter (micro)	7	5.57

### Under 1 Meter

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Boat</b>	<b>Points</b>	
1st	Jason Fleming	Tito Neri	1	
2nd	Cameron Watterson	Norina	2	(furthest clear)
3rd	Alan Gough	Tid	2	
4th	Roy Watterson	Guardsman	3	
5th	Brian King	Gun Boat	4	
6th	Jason Quayle	Parat	5	

### Over 1 meter

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Boat</b>	<b>Points</b>
1st	Alan Gough	Osprey	0
2nd	Cameron Watterson	Golden sun	2
3rd	Jason Quayle	Loyal Watcher	3
4th	Jason Fleming	Sea Griffin	5
5th	Roy Watterson	Sea Spray	7

## Scale Competition Results

This event was held at Silverdale in good conditions, although it was a slightly disappointing turn out from members with no entries in the scratch built class. The judges for the day were our friends from the World Ship Society, who deliberated over the Kit and Semi Kit models on display at the side of the pool before everybody took to the water for the 'On the Water' competition. The judges were particularly impressed by the Watterson's working fishing vessels towing their nets behind them on the water.

The results are as follows:

### Static Scale Comp

Kit	C Watterson	North light
Semi Kit	R Watterson	Norina
Scratch	No Entry	No Entry

Manx Connection J Williams      Formidable

On the Water      R Watterson      Vervine



Very realistic fishing with nets at Silverdale, skippered by Cameron Watterson

## Spithead Review

This was another event which we had to postpone until the following weekend due to an uncertain weather forecast. With over a dozen naval vessels on display and then sailing on the water our judges, Dave Handscombe and Quinton Gill, both had their work cut out to pick a winner. Both judges commented on the high standard of workmanship by members and were very impressed with several of the vessels working features. The eventual winner was Sea Crusader sailed by Kim Holland, followed in second place by Envoy Tug built by Jason Quayle and third place went to Brian King with RML542.



Alan Gough sailing TID during the Steering Competition at Silverdale