



MANX MODEL BOAT CLUB NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING THURSDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 2013, 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 28th November** starting at **7pm**. 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. Commodore's report
5. Treasurer's report
6. Election of Club Officials for 2014
7. Proposed fixture list for 2014
8. Mannanan 2014
9. Any other business

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 to get home at a reasonable time.

We will also be holding a Bring and Buy sale of model boating items after the meeting. Please bring along any items which you want to sell or pass on to new ownership - anything goes, from the smallest of fittings to complete model boats with radio gear.

**Don't forget
your annual
dinner booking
- do it now -
please**

Special points of interest:

- AGM AGENDA
- VENETIAN EVENING
- TUG TOWING
- EDITOR'S COMMENT
- WARWICK IMBS AND PICTURES
- WATTERSON'S LATEST VENTURE

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Tug Towing at Onchan Park boating Lake 6th October 2013



Steve Downe with ODIN in his first event, and only 5 points lost, so third place behind Jason Fleming and Brian King in the over 1 meter



Jason Fleming's Tito Nero moored awaiting his turn, in the murky conditions

The weather really seems to be against the tugs this year. An earlier event in the year was hampered by strong winds and threat of rain, and this event in October also struggled to be completed.

In fact, as the weather worsened through the afternoon, so the first and only run by each competitor was used for the results, and, as I understand, the OOD has managed to even get down to deciding winners based on who went the furthest on a round before incurring penalties.

I'm glad he did, as my not being present made it very difficult for me to interpret two sheets from a ring pad with names and numbers thereon - the results!

I also managed to "use" some of the images from the Google photograph gallery page we have, for this issue. If you've not been on the website, the gallery button takes you to various events this year for which we have accumulated a varied and wonderful collection of images.

Finally, I failed to mention in

the House of Mannanan report, but a visitor to the event was looking around and spotted "Wyreforce" on the screens, it turned out he owns that tug, plus 3 others and a salvage operation too, and to further the coincidence, his son is the 36R vane yacht UK national champion this year, and myself and Brian King raced against him at Llandudno.

Have to see whether he wants to sponsor us, he's always coming to the Island for holidays.

MHBC Tug For onchan 6 October 13

Over 1M

Jason Fleming	Blazer	4
Brian King	Sea Sider	4
Steve Downe	Odin	5
Con Williams	Golden Sun	6
Ray Williams	Sea Spray	13
Alan Gough	Widil	16

MHBC Tug For onchan October

Under 1M

A Gough	Trid 33	0
J Fleming	The Vani	0
Homer Smyke	Everling	0
Brian King	Tarsoadog	0
Connon Williams	Torben	2 (clark)
Brian Swinden	Wyreforce	2 (clark)
Jason Quirk	Yosur	5
Ray Williams	Golden	5
Mike Lacey	Cobb's Alley	7
John Higgins	No Run	Round

Junior

Stephen Higgins	Suffolk	2
William Hayes	"	No Run

Not often seen, the raw results list.



Brian King with Tarroo Ushtey, one of 4 with "zero" points for under 1 meter



Brian Swinden with Wyreforce, only 1 point behind the top four in the under 1 meter

Venetian Evening and Onchan Commissioners Event at Onchan Park (a few notes by JQ)



June Kelly and Derek Crellin of Onchan Commissioners ready to award the Commissioners shield.



The jubilant winners receiving their trophies

Saturday 14th October saw the running of the Onchan Commissioners event and Venetian Evening at Onchan Park.

It was a fine evening with light winds leading to a good turn out of members with at least 20+ models on the water. There was also a keen interest amongst members of the public who had either learnt of the event through the media or who happened to be passing through the park at the time.

Mike Buss & family very kindly agree to run the barbecue with bangers & burgers being enjoyed by everyone who was there.

Howard Quayle has his new model of the Mona's Isle out for her first public sailing, which looked majestic on the water lit up with smoke coming from the stack and sound system operating. [Howard kindly contributed some material for the last Newsletter, Ed].

June Kelly & Derek Crellin from Onchan Commissioners had very kindly agreed to attend the event and under-

take the judging for the evening. Both commented on how difficult it was to choose a winner because of the high standard of models where were on display.

They eventually chose John Williams' model of Parallax for the Onchan Commissioners shield and Howard Quayle's Mona's Isle for the Venetian Lighthouse trophy.

Many thanks to all who turned up to support the event and to the Commissioners for attending & judging the event.



All photographs by Barry Kerfoot



Howard Quayle's Mona's Isle winner Venetian Lighthouse Trophy



John William's Parallax, winner Onchan Commissioners Shield

Editors comment

Well, it's been a very busy yet wonderful year.

For me and my intense involvement with them, several events stand out.

The first *vintage yacht event* which we used as a tribute to the Star of India in May got my season under way.

Following on the Sunday at the end of TT week we excelled ourselves with the *Milntown Pageant* (still wondering exactly how many boats there were there.)

This was followed by my first excursion into "*international*" yacht racing participating in the USA/UK 36R vane regatta at Llandudno. Brian King and myself acquitted ourselves well, and I really enjoyed my foray into the unknown.

Then the really big one was

requested of us - could we occupy the free display area at the *House of Mananan*, Peel and put on a model boat display. Not only did we do that, with some 85 boats, we also had the Av-a-Goes there as well for the first weekend.

But now the absolute cream topping has come about. I think with the confidence and lessons learnt at the HOM event, we approached our first trip to the *Warwick International Model Boat Show* well prepared. We had planned how to display and the what, it turned out with Jason Fleming's ingenuity in pipe work and banner displays, and the new table cloths to have impressed everyone at the show. We were voted top display, report on next page.

So, the season has sort of finished, the events calendar is empty and its time to relax. Just the dinner and prizes, and of course the AGM before we slip into the dormancy of Winter.

Well watch this space - if we can sail every Sunday of the Winter at Silverdale, then why not have some events to keep interest and take the pressure off of the Summer months.

One last thing, my thanks to those of you that have commented on the Newsletter. I took it on to free up the secretary's time - I now fully appreciate just how long it takes to put these together. Who knows, I might be persuaded into doing another season, better ask my Boss.

Kim

Winter Sailing - Silverdale

Yes, it maybe Winter, but we still get out there and sail our boats every Sunday morning on the Lake at Silverdale Glen..

This Sunday morning "get-together", starting about 10am [weather permitting], is an opportunity for any and all Club members plus any other interested parties to have a general sail and "chew the cud" about what ever takes your fancy.

Members arrive anytime throughout the morning and sometimes stay well into lunch time. was taken down Sunday.



Warwick International Boat Show 2013 November 8, 9 and 10th

Where to start?

Way back in Jan/Feb of 2013 John Williams suggested that we go here, here being the Warwick IMBS. Those that had gone to Haydock Park the previous year felt that that event was not as should be, so a change was needed.

Now, having the idea and then following it through needs some dedication and hard work by several people.

This show has world renown so we'd have to make a good case for our inclusion. There followed some exchanges of documents eventually leading to our being offered a space.

We'd not done anything like this before, our nearest would be our planned Milntown Pageant for practice organization. Of course, as things turned out, the House of Mannanan event was absolutely crucial to our learning curve. We had to plan every thing in detail, we used this experience to good end.

Now that we were being offered a place meant giving serious consideration to what would be involved in accepting.

Who would organize, what boats would go, how would they get there, where would we stay, who was attending etc. So it came about that the Warwick Wanderers started planning in earnest. I and Brian Swinden knew the show well, I'm a regular there with AMBO and Brian as a visitor, so we imparted general information on the locality and the lack of hotels close up.

Those attending would get

priority in boats going. In all there would be 9 from the Isle of Man, John Williams, Mary and Les Quayle, Jason Quayle, Jason Fleming, Roy Watterson and Brian King. Theresa and myself are members of AMBO so would also be there to be apart of MMBC as well.

We were sent the display area and using that estimated for about 25 boats. In the end we had 32, and due to the show giving more space up to us, we had plenty of room.

My, and the Wanderers original intended hotel was destroyed by fire, so we had to transfer and move to one based in Warwick, 7 miles by crow from the show site.

The boats going were, as is our usual practice, sturdily boxed. If you've ever watched a van being loaded with boats by Jason, then you'll understand why they have to be able to be stood and climbed on.

Jason and Roy were advance guard, taking the Wednesday ferry, I followed on the Thursday with Brian and my boats and AMBO stuff (Theresa was at Pool for an RNLI course and would train up on the Friday.)

Mary, Les, Jason Q and JW flew over on the Wednesday too - the Thursday flight having been pulled by he operators.

All went well, the advance guard were early to the show site on the set-up day, Thursday, and were soon hard at work re-creating the tiered system of display used at HOM, but now in 3 levels. JF had also made banner frames from white

pipe work that fitted the large sash clamps, into which went the flag and banners.

Brian and myself arrived just after 4pm to find most work done on the Manx stand and did it look the part. It really caught the eye in every way, colour, clarity, display spacing, labeling and those table cloths.....

The Friday is usually the busiest day, and so it proved - some 4 thousand plus people, and it seemed most wanted to talk to the Manx contingent.

Manin dredger proved so fascinating to the throngs, the innards of HMS Chatham were often on view, and JQ and his rowing boat just about stole the whole show rowing about the pool..

The show participants, all clubs and societies, vote for a "best in Show" and a garbled announcement just before closing on the Friday ended with " to the Manx Model Boat Club." It took some time to realize we had been voted Best. From then on it was no longer Grumpy but Happy, the smile never left JW's face all night.

The Saturday morning we had embossed cards confirming the result, and just before 2pm after some hurried phone calls to Happy (who was taking his ease) he was presented with the show's shield. It had already been engraved with our name.

So what do we do next year, return and defend it I suggest. Only one society has won it twice in a row.

So the Warwick Winning Wanderers returned safe and well, and happy!!!!

I've placed 6 photographs only on the next page, I'm sure that the website will carry many more once we get them downloaded and sorted.

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Warwick International Boat Show 2013 November 8, 9 and 10th A very small selection of images



The Manx Model Boat Club stand was straight across from the indoor pool area, in an ideal front position to be encountered on entry by the punters.

The original area had been organised as a 3 tier system, with large models taking the flank positions, dredger Manin on one side and tug Parallax on the other. With the

additional tables to the rear we could layout the big long models without compromise, and the Ferret's panache at table hunting acquired two more to extend the front edge.

We have already confirmed location, and display space with the organisers, and yes, do they want us to come back!

What do you want from the Club next year - now's the time for your voice to be heard.

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Items for the newsletter may be sent via the secretary or direct to me as written or computer documents.

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Committee news - a few jottings

The Annual General Meeting has been scheduled for the 28th November at the Archibald Knox Public House, Onchan starting time 7pm

The official notice will be issued shortly once the agenda has been ratified. Actually, I've put it on the front page...

At the AGM there will be a Club members "Bring and Buy" or should we now call that a "Ship's hold sale" ? Any items you want to pass on, swap or give away please bring along..

For those that read the back page before any other

We were awarded Best in Show at the Warwick International Boat Show 2013

Coming up in the next Newsletter

Your new committee - who they are and what they promise.

New events calendar for 2014

Can we improve on 2013 events

The AGM and any news from that.

Sail loft secrets - [the bean spillers].

There is truth to the rumour that Mary has found a more interesting hobby than Les' model boats. On the Friday show day she "popped" up to the NEC to an exhibition - CAKES! Over 1000 of all shapes and sizes BUT she did not bring any back with her, shame.....

It can now be confirmed - Roy Watterson can eat more than Cameron when it comes to "berry Eton mess". We watched him consume several by way of taste testing.

And from our very own Llama hunter, direct from Peru, a story that the Watterson's Consortium (that we thought was invented for the HOM event) actually have now mastered r/c fishing boat catches to the point of branding their own fish products- and if you look carefully you'll see that it could Vervine on the tin. When asked to comment, Cameron's mouth was full and Roy was still testing Eton mess....whatever next?

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One of our former very keen modelers has asked whether :

Hi,

I wonder if any of the members would have a tug, rig supply or similar boat for sale. I have been asked by Dean from the hyperbaric chamber so I am not exactly sure what he is after, although can pass on any details if anyone has this type of boat for sale.

Thanks Nigel Latham [contactable via Ed]

DIARY DATES

ANNUAL DINNER DATE IS 23 NOVEMBER

At the PSM Golf Club, see separate flyer for menu and to book

AGM IS 28 NOVEMBER 7pm, Archibald Knox, Onchan