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MANX MODEL BOAT CLUB Newsletter

Chairmans Chat

Once again we have reached the end of the Event Calendar with regard to the Scale sailing Events with the exception of a couple of Yacht races in Ramsey.

The weather unfortunately has not been kind to us, particularly during the Mannanan Festival, but like all good seafaring men & women we managed to steer a good course and arrived safely into our winter season.

With this in mind may I remind everyone of the Annual Dinner and Prize Presentation, also the Clubs A.G.M, details of which are inside the newsletter.

A number of Members have been taking the opportunity to have a free sail at Silverdale on a Sunday, this has turned out to be quite a pleasant afternoon, the water is nice and clear, also the Café is open for tea and snacks, parking can be a bit tight before 2 O'clock as they serve Sunday Lunch, but after that is OK, we have been sailing with the paddle boats in use and this has not been a problem.

I will ring around on Fri/Sat of the week to see if anyone is interested in Sunday sailing, so if you want to be phoned will you please let me know.

Hoping to see you all at the Dinner, but equally important is the A.G.M. where your voice can be heard; this is a great help to the Committee during the forthcoming year,

All suggestions will be listened to and taken onboard.

May you always have a fair wind to your vessel.

Howard Quayle

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Visit the Manx Model Boat Club web site at www.manxmodelboatclub.org for more information and photographs of recent events.

Tug Towing Competition

This last official event of the season was held in glorious conditions, yet the previous day had seen torrential rain non-stop all day!

With no wind to contend with this should have been easier than normal, but the competition was much harder because of the inclusion of a barge along with the normal “tanker”. Everybody had two runs, one with the “tanker” and one with the barge. The course was tight, but the real ‘sting’ was the virtually uncontrollable barge which slid sideways at every opportunity. As a result the scores were very high, but it could be done as proved by Nigel Latham who won the over 1 metre with a loss of only 6 points!

There were two or three incidents where boats reversed over their own tow ropes and got their props tangled, but all managed to get going again. Richard Philips even managed to cut his own tow rope, unheard of with model boats!

Altogether an excellent afternoon, the two “tows” worked well at speeding up the afternoon, although it could have gone faster if members all had the correct length of tow rope complete with a clip and had faster turn around of boats at the harbour. 17 boats took part, all managing 2 tows starting at 2pm and finishing by 4:45pm. Well done to all.

Results

Under One Metre

1st	Brian King	Kingsman	22 points
2nd	Mike Leece	Cabbyl Mary	25 points
3rd	Alan Gough	TID	27 points
4th	Cameron Watterson	Torben	28 points
5th	Robin Rose	Norton Cross	35 points
5th	Brian Swinden	Wyeforce	35 points
7th	Jason Flemming	Tito Neri	42 points
7th	Richard Philips	Kingsman	42 points
9th	Jason Quayle	Yessir	55 points

Over One Metre

1st	Nigel Latham	Blazer	6 points
2nd	Alan Gough	Niartal	11 points
3rd	Roy Watterson	Sea Spray	30 points
4th	Cameron Watterson	Golden Sun	34 points
5th	Juan Vernon	Eldergarth	39 points
6th	Brian King	Monarch	47 points
7th	Richard Phillips	Monarch	64 points



An impressive line up of “Tugs” at the tug towing competition.

Annual General Meeting - Thursday 27th November, 7:30pm.

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 27th November 2008 starting at 7:30pm.

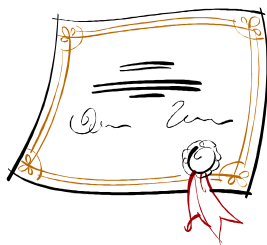
Agenda

- 1) Apologies for Absence.
- 2) Minutes of 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 2009 (Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, + 5 Committee).
- 7) Proposed Fixture List for 2009.
- 8) Mannanan 2009.
- 9) Any Other Business.

Please note the of start time of 7:30pm which is 1/2 hour earlier than our normal meetings.

Annual Dinner and Prize Presentation - Friday 21st November 7:30pm for 8:00pm.

This year the Annual Dinner & Prize Presentation will be held on **Friday 21st November** at the Douglas Bay Yacht Club on the tongue in Douglas starting at 7:30pm for 8pm. The meal will be a buffet style, similar to what we had for the Mannanan dinner in June. The



cost of the meal will be £14 per head, and you are requested to complete the attached form and return it to Mike Buss **as soon as possible** along, with your payment, so that we can determine numbers. The dinner will be followed by the presentation of prizes and trophies to all this years competition winners.



Please note that this date has changed from that advertised in the previous newsletter due to the room not being available on Saturday night.

Annual Dinner & Prize Presentation Friday 21st November at 7:30pm for 8pm

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone Number _____

Number Attending _____ Amount enclosed at £14 per head _____

Please return this completed form, along with your payment to the Club Treasurer, Mike Buss, Fairmount, Somerset Road, Douglas, IM2 5AE. Please make cheques payable to Manx Model Boat Club.