SOLENT R.C.M.Y.C Scale Section



NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2022

Welcome everyone to the Winter Newsletter.

Captains Chat

"Tales of the Riverbank" or the "Pond?"

As we emerge from enforced hibernation that seems like an eternity it is good to see more members attending the Pond on a regular basis but as yet no sign of small creatures piloting boats, but the fish seem to have grown.

It has been a difficult period for the Club which has been steered through it by the continued efforts of David, Lorna, Peter and Andy to whom we owe a big thank you.

Looking to the future there have been a number of initiatives, Lorna has re-written and edited the Club paperwork to be better aligned to our activities and Peter has reviewed the website aligning it more to our activities and made it more user friendly. Let's see more of your models featured in the revised pages.

We have also started discussions regarding the re-introduction of events which were suspended due to COVID restrictions with suggestions and requests from Members.

The Annual review of the Forest England Permit for the use of the Pond is underway and we will confirm when it is concluded and if there are any significant changes as they relate to our use.

After many months of drought whereby the "Island" at the far end of the Pond became almost as big as the Isle of Wight (well we are talking scale) and the water became quite stagnant the recent deluges have quickly restored the water level.

It is also encouraging to see the numbers of regulars at the Pond increasing and we have welcomed some new Members as well, I appreciate that the warmth of your home may keep you in doors now winter is upon us but I hope to see you soon, a crisp morning can be quite invigorating!

Wishing you and your families Season's Greeting and a Happy, Prosperous New Year!

Charles. Scale Captain

Newsletter and Website

The club next year will produce a Newsletter 3 times, the next one being March 2023.

If you would like an article or information included in the Newsletter, please advise Lorna and if you would like articles, information, photo's etc included on the website please contact Peter Taylor who will be happy to assist you.

Club Clothing

The club have the following items for sale in all sizes.

Fleeces, Sweatshirts, Polo Shirts, Pilot Shirts, Caps (all one size)

Prices are on the website. if you would like any item of clothing, please contact Lorna.

Badges



Available now. Club enamel badges, badge diameter 25mm price is only £2.00each, they will be sold at the pond or can be posted, please contact Lorna if you would like one.

CLUB CALENDARS

The club produced 85 calendars this year for 2023, thank you to everyone who bought either a Wall or Desk calendar, the club still have 4 Wall Calendars left. If anybody would like one, please let Lorna know. Any profit made will go to a local charity/

KEYRINGS

The club are selling them for £2.00 each, if anyone would like one, please contact Lorna.



Boats for sale or free

On the Adverts page the club have some boats for sale, have a look and if interested contact current owner or Lorna.

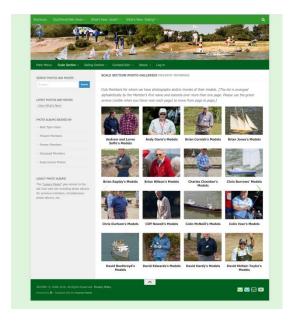
. SRCMBC Web Site Photo Galleries Updated

I have reorganised the photo galleries of Scale Models on the Club web site (

srcmbc.org.uk). The most obvious change is that, in the index menu of Photo Albums, present members are listed separately from those that have left the Club or our previous members who sadly are now deceased.

However more significant, hidden changes have occurred "under the web site's bonnet". You should find that the index pages are easier to use and any previous problems in scrolling the pages on tablets (such as iPad) have gone away.

These changes also mean that it is much easier for me to add new entries to the web site. I am very conscious that models of new Club members (and new models built by established members) are poorly represented.

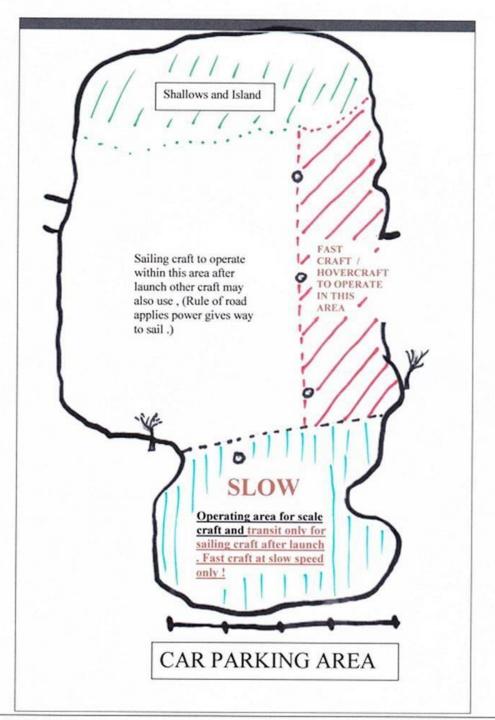


Please, **send me your photos** of any models which is not on the site, or newer photos of models which are already there. Even if you only have one photo of your model, send it to me with a short description of the model and I will put it on the web site for you. It would be good to see all the Club's members properly represented.

Peter Taylor

Please read your emails they are important.

SETLEY POND OPERATING AREAS ON CLUB DAYS



Note re <u>FAST CRAFT AND HOVERCRAFT OPERATIONS</u>: These may be operated at high speed only within the designated area, operators should be able to see and control their craft at all times and take action to avoid collisions. During times when fast craft are not operating others may use this area but be prepared to exit it and remain clear it if required.

Membership 2023/2024

Membership is due from 1st April until 30th April 2023, subscriptions are:

Family £20.00 Joint £15.00 Sole £10.00

Junior £ 5.00

Members can pay by cheque, standing order, or direct from your bank, (direct from your bank is preferred option as the club are now charged for items paid into the account) any queries, please speak to Lorna.

NAME BADGES

Please could all members wear their badges on club days, they are not produced just to be left at home.

Thank you

FORESTRY ENGLAND

Please also remember the rules of the pond, when our permit was renewed, we are only permitted a maximum of twelve boats being sailed on the water at any one time, unfortunately on busy club days this may mean that members may from time to time have to take a voluntary break to allow others to sail to enable compliance.

Sailing times are 9am to 7.30 pm.

When the permit is next up for renewal, the club can maybe renegotiate.

AGM

The Club had its first AGM for three years on the 17th August, next year hopefully it will be back to its normal date in April. The club changed from Hordle Pavilion to Milford on Sea Hall.

The Club would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



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