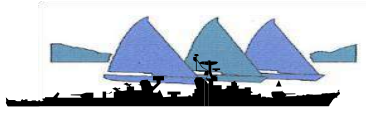


SOLENT R.C.M.Y.C Scale Section



Founded Jan 1978



NEWSLETTER

WINTER 2023

Welcome everyone to the Winter Newsletter.

Captains Chat

As we march headlong into the end of the year and Christmas, a few words.
Ah Christmas is coming!

Hopefully, I will survive the onslaught of Supermarket advertising and avoid overindulgence and pending bankruptcy?

The weather has not been conducive to modelling in recent weeks with the wind and rain appearing to target Thursdays and Sundays, perhaps we need to change our days and confuse the "Weather Gods?"

While it appears that the weather has conspired against us recently, we can at least reflect on the 3 great Pond events, namely Sail, Warship and Commercial Vessels. It was very encouraging for the Committee to see good attendance at all of the events, a great post COVID recovery.

We also had good weather for our Exhibition Day in Milford, it certainly makes getting the models in and out a lot easier as well as encouraging good visitor attendance. Again, it was very encouraging to see so many beautiful models on display. We are looking forward to our final event of the year, our Christmas lunch when we will be welcoming you to join in the Festive Funperhaps a "Gravy Boat" event? Finally, my thanks to Lorna, Peter Andy and Kevan as well as all the Members for their support, help and contribution to what has been a successful year and I believe a great recovery from the Pandemic.

My thoughts and Best Wishes to you All for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Charles.
Scale Captain

P.S. Keep your batteries charged as sailing continues unless the Pond is frozen does anyone have an ice yacht?

Newsletter and Website

The club next year will produce a Newsletter 3 times, the next one being March 2024. 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.

Boats for sale or free

On the Adverts page the club have various items for sale, boats, books etc, and there will be more boats and tools and accessories to follow, so have a look and if interested contact current owner or Lorna.

Badges



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

CLUB CALENDARS

The club produced Wall calendars £4.00 and cd desk calendars £3.00 for 2024. If anyone would like one, please contact Lorna.



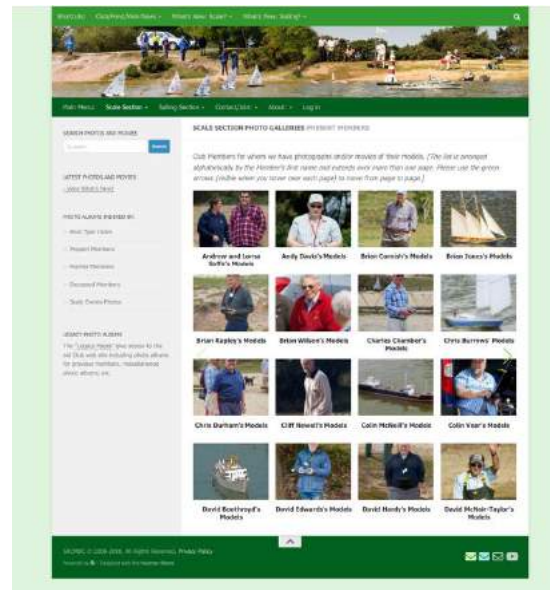
KEYRINGS

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

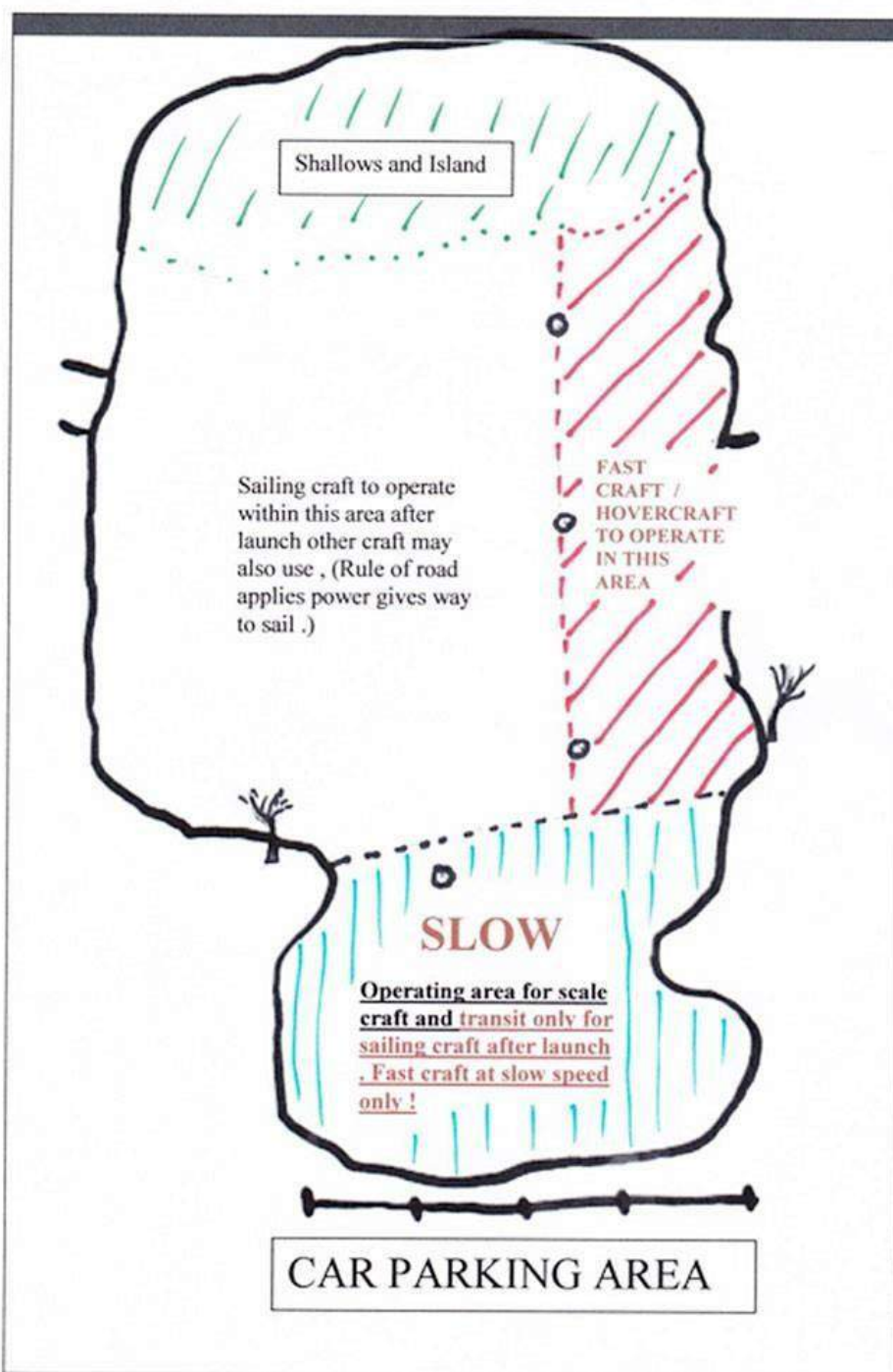
These changes also mean that it is much easier for me to add new entries to the web site. I am very conscious that models of new Club members (and new models built by established members) are poorly represented.

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 **FAST CRAFT AND HOVERCRAFT OPERATIONS** :- 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 2024/2025

Membership is due from 1st April until 30th April 2024, subscriptions will be.

Family £22.00

Joint £17.00

Sole £12.00

Junior £ 5.00

This increase to be agreed at AGM, though was mentioned at 2023 AGM, and members were agreeable.

Members can pay by cheque, standing order, cash or direct from your bank,

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 still 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.

Milford on Sea Exhibition 23rd September 2023

The Exhibition at Milford was a great success and the Club raised £218.00 on the day, this was donated to Oakhaven Hospice.

Help for a non-member.

Please cast your minds back to 2019 and the exhibition we had at the Church Hall Milford on Sea. I have had a telephone call from a Mrs Christine Barrs, who came to that exhibition with her husband and had a chat with a member concerning a Galleon (I think it's called Revenge) and that she would like it mended, the sails etc are not looking their best.

The only trouble is she has not got the name or contact details of the member who said that they could probably help, as it was 2019, so if you are that person and can still help or anyone else who can help her, please could you let me know and I can put you in contact with her, She would be very grateful for any help.

Photo competition

The Club are considering starting a competition to find the best photo, of members. Boats, each month the boats will be judged, and the winner will go onto the next years calendar and also the website. The photo needs to be sent to Charles or Lorna and then the committee will pick the best each month, boats preferably on the water please.

So get them sent in, its nearly time to choose the first photo.

So, dust off your cameras or phones and take those photos, you never know you could be a winner or the next David Bailey.

Also remember if any member has a story with pictures if possible, concerning the boat they are building or built, or even a story of the boat you served or worked on, send your article to Charles, Peter, or Lorna.

The Club would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas



And a Happy New Year.



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