



The Burton Boat Builder

Committed to promoting all aspects of model boating



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Six months in and the year seems to be flying by, the events and shows have been going very well (despite the weather) and the club 500 is going from strength to strength. If you are interested in model boating then there has probably been something for you to join in with this year, if not then read on and see what you have been missing!!!

If you think there is something missing from the newsletter, then why not write a small article and send it in for publication, we are always looking for fresh inspiration.

Newlands Fete June 2012



The club put on it's annual display a Newlands fete last week and Moira had her annual pilgrimage to the clothes stall (3 times at least, not bad for someone who is not buying any clothes at the moment). With a good varied display of models on show there was something for all ages and tastes. Many members of the public commented on the variety of the models and were interested in finding out more about them. Peters model of the Severn Class lifeboat is progressing well and we hope to see it on display at future shows.



The new club 500 race evenings are going a pace and the racing is exciting whether you are a competitor or just a spectator, although we do rope everyone in to help Moira with the scoring as boats do tend to go of in all directions during the race. If you get a chance come down and have a look, see the calendar for race nights.

Some of the racers would also like your help in spotting the buoys as a certain person managed to miss the same buoy 6 times!!



Our latest Volunteers and new members - Sam and his Dad David



Scoop

Has Branston man been tamed !?!

Photo 1: Spotted in an anorak at Balne Moor with a matching "fairy cake" including a telephone box on top - Mmm lovely



Photo 2: Snapped at Newlands fete eating a cream cake with Jam on.

Further efforts to snap him with a burger were in vain (but we will keep trying).

Got a paint problem - don't worry there is a solution

Quite often, despite being as careful as possible problems can occur when painting your model.

I was in this situation when refurbishing a model recently. Not knowing what paint had been used before, when I applied some new paint over the old, I had a chemical reaction which caused the paint to wrinkle. As there were surface details below, I could not sand the paint back. But acting on a tip off I found "Model strip" on the internet, which is a paint stripper that is safe to use even on plastic and I must admit it did a wonderful job of removing the affected paint.



For more details electronic readers can click on the link below;

http://www.emodels.co.uk/plastic-kits/product_info.php?products_id=17270

BALNE MOOR – Warship Day June 2012

The inaugural Warship event was an one event that we had been looking forward too this year, knowing the superb facilities that Balne Moor have at their club and the fantastic weather we were having the weekend before, it was a bit disappointing that on the morning of the event, we set off in such abysmal rain!

Don't let it be said though "that rain stopped play" we arrived to a very warm welcome and lots of cover to shelter from the rain. After a couple of very nice Bacon sandwiches and a cup of coffee the boats were unloaded and in respites from the rain sailing commenced.



The Warship day was a non competitive event, with free sailing available all day and a chance to try your skills around the harbour area and get a bit of speed up in open water.

When rain did stop sailing, time was well spent discussing the models on show.

Our thanks to Balne Moor for putting a lot of effort into a good day, we thoroughly enjoyed ourselves.

We will be back for the MPBA nationals and especially the new Warship Trophy.

Now for a little bit of maths

Don't panic, it isn't that painful and if it seems to hard, have a word with our treasurer, he is good with figures.

I have often worried about how fast a scale boat is moving on the water and whether it is going at the correct speed, so I have done a little bit of an investigation into finding out to work out the correct speed and it turns out to be relatively simple.

The basic equation is: $V/v = \sqrt{L/l}$

Where **V** is the correct speed of the original vessel, **v** is the scale speed we want to know, **L** is the length of the real vessel and **l** the length of the model (so L/l is actually the scale).

So to find the scale speed $v = V / \sqrt{L/l}$

Example for a 1/96th scale model that has and original speed of 25 knots the scale speed equals:

$10 \times \sqrt{1/96} = 1.02$ knots 1 knot = 1.688 feet/sec

therefore $1.02 \times 1.688 = 1.72$ ft/sec is the scale speed.

Letter to the Editor

On behalf of Dekka and Myself we would like to thank the members who thought out and made the steering course (not that we did at the time), as Dekka said, a lot of thought and hard work had gone in to that. It was just a pity that only such a few members took part. Come on it is only a bit of fun, nobody can be worse then me, I hit nearly all the buoys and except the touch buoy which I missed.

Mick and Dekka

BRANSTON TROPHY – ROUND 1

We went down to the water park on the Sunday not knowing if anyone would turn up, some people were away and others had prior commitments.

People started to turn up at 9.55 and so we got the course out pretty quickly and started the competition at around 10.30.



Always limber up before competing

BOAT	ROUND ONE	TIME	TOUCHES	SECONDS	TOTAL
ANTJE	Peter Goodman	6.47	0	0	6.47
NORTON CROSS	Pete King	6.48	4	40	7.28
SNOWBERRY	Joe Lilley	5.57	1	10	6.07
TYPE 21	Joe Lilley	6.36	0	0	6.37
BISMARCK	Mark Hawkins	8.07	3	30	8.37
DIETER	Derrick Banton	6.33	3	30	7.03
LOYAL WATCHER	Mick Knowles	13.23	5	50	13.23

BOAT	ROUND TWO	TIME	TOUCHES	SECONDS	TOTAL	DIFF	POSITION
ANTJE	Peter Goodman	5.49	1	10	5.59	0.48	4th
NORTON CROSS	Pete King	5.02	1	10	5.12	2.16	7th
SNOWBERRY	Joe Lilley	6.3	2	20	6.3	0.23	2nd
TYPE 21	Joe Lilley	6.02	0	0	6.02	0.34	3rd
BISMARCK	Mark Hawkins	6.36	4	40	7.16	1.21	5th
DIETER	Derrick Banton	7.01	2	20	7.21	0.18	1st
LOYAL WATCHER	Mick Knowles	10.28	4	40	11.08	2.15	6th

There will be another round held later in the year and the results amalgamated for the out and out winner.



The day got off to an early start with Alan and Pete getting down to the lake, Pete unloaded the rescue boat and Alan got the marker buoys out of the visitor centre, course laid out and a brief discussion with the guy in charge for the day, Andy Rennie, drivers were consulted and a couple of adjustments made to the course.

The event got underway approximately 10:00am and followed the usual running of 20 minute heats, some excellent racing was to be seen particularly in the larger engined classes, a few minor mishaps occurred and a couple of boats lost their top hatches, (Club 500 lads be aware and make sure you have some buoyancy attached).



Round 2 started just after 1:30pm following the same format, one or two racers lost top parts of their boats and one the scale driver had to be rescued !!! from buoy 4 having come away from the hatch, a successful recovery by the rescue team prompted Pete to say they had to give him CPR as he had been face down in the water for nearly 10 minutes?

Racing finished on schedule at approx 4:00pm, Pete was asked to present the winners certificates, a vote of thanks were given to Alan and Pete for there rescue service during the day and a vote of thanks to the Burton club for use of the water, a donation of £55.00 was made to club funds by the organiser, results of the classes are as follows showing laps done in each heat, A, Robin Butler 40 / 40, AA, Bernard Holder 49 / 50, B, Bernard Holder 53 / 53, C, Bernard Holder 56 / 57, D, Malcolm Pratt 52 / 57, Bernard Holder from Bristol took highest laps of the day with 113 and Andy Rennie was judged to have the best boat on the day.

The lap results show how a good set up and consistency in driving pays dividends, not always the fastest boat winning, again a point for the Club 500 races when we get going properly, thanks also to those club members who turned up to watch and also to Neil Barker of the Burton Mail for turning up and taking some photo's a couple of which ended up in the paper with a brief report.

And finally, Pete received an e/mail from the organiser who notified him everyone had an excellent day and not one complaint was received, and they look forward to the next event in June

Midlands Model Boat Show

This was a brand new model boat show and it has landed right on our doorstep. There were a few false starts as different venues were found to be lacking, but finally the Hermitage centre in Whitwick came up trumps. We set off for the show early on the Saturday morning and what a pleasant short journey it was. We set up our stand, we being Mark, Moira, Reg, Jean, Joe, John and Glenys. Later we were joined by Mick, Dekka, David, John and Ben came with his kids to show them what we do of a weekend. Many traders were in attendance and doing very brisk business.



The two days were busy, with many questions from people showing a lot of interest in the models. There were several enquiries about membership and a couple of families have already joined.

We also had winners in the competitions that were run over the two days of the show, with John Gregory won best leisure craft with Jessica, Mark won best Warship and best model in show with HMS Dreadnought.

All in all the show was a great success and we will be going again next year. All members are openly invited to attend the show and display their models on the club stand, so as this show is so near why not come along and join in.

FOR SAIL

HMS Diana by Jokita.

38 Gun Frigate built to museum quality standard, as seen at the 2011 Haydock Park & Leamington International model shows.

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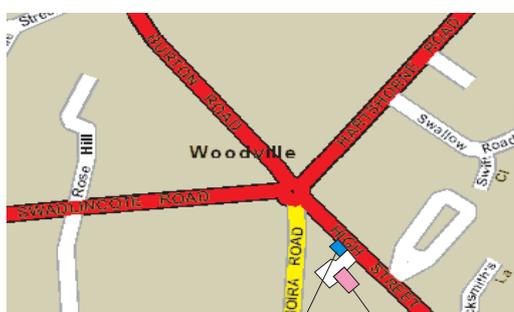


Events calendar 2012

Date	Event
26th June	CLUB 500 - Electric powered racing on Branston Water Start time 18:00
July	
4th July	Club meeting - Woodville Snooker Club Start time 19:30
10th July	CLUB 500 - Electric powered racing on Branston Water Start time 18:00
24th July	CLUB 500 - Electric powered racing on Branston Water Start time 18:00
29th July	Branston Trophy round 2 - Scale steering on Branston Water Start time 10:00
August	
1st August	Club meeting - Woodville Snooker Club Start time 19:30
5th August	Stoke Navy day - Naval sailing competition and formation sailing 10:00
7th August	CLUB 500 - Electric powered racing on Branston Water Start time 18:00
21st August	CLUB 500 - Electric powered racing on Branston Water Start time 18:00
26/27th August	Haydock model boat convention - Please contact Joe if you wish to attend
September	
4th September	CLUB 500 - Electric powered racing on Branston Water Start time 18:00
5th September	Club meeting - Woodville Snooker Club Start time 19:30
9th September	Fire Boat Fun day - Fire boat fun on Branston Water Start time 10:00
16th September	MPBA Scale Finals - Blane Moor - Scale sailing competition finals 10:00
23rd September	Records Weekend TBC - Record Breaking speeds - Branston water Start time 10:00
October	
3rd October	Club meeting - Woodville Snooker Club Start time 19:30
7th October	Funday 2011 - last outdoor club event of the year BE THERE! Start time 10:00
28th October	Fast electrics - Racing on Branston Water Start time 10:00
November	
7th November	Club meeting - Woodville Snooker Club Start time 19:30
9/10/11th November	Leamington International model show - Please contact Joe if you wish to attend
December	
5th December	AGM Woodville Snooker Club Start time 19:30
14th December	Christmas Dinner

Please note there has been a change to the calendar (highlighted in RED above).

If you haven't been to a meeting before, this map will help you find us, we are through the second door on the left.



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