

March 2008, Spring Newsletter

Scale Captain's Chat

Hi Everybody.

First of all I would like to congratulate Peter on the last newsletter, what a great improvement, well done Peter and a big thank you from all of us.



The Scale Captain explains the pond rules to an errant jet-skier.

The Highcliffe Exhibition was a great success with over 50 boats on display, thanks for the bringing your models along they are a credit to you and the club and what a wide range of subjects they cover. There's some "hot of the press" photos of the show at the end of the newsletter. It was also nice to meet our friends from Poole again they are always welcome. If you were unable to renew your membership at the show, you can post your cheque for £10 (individual membership), or £15 (family membership) to Lorna Soffe at: 1 Stoneleigh Avenue, Hordle, Lymington, Hants, SO41 0GS. Remember that if you don't renew your membership by the end of May it will lapse.

By now some of you will have received the new club Pilot shirts, they look excellent and will be very cool to wear on those hot summer days we are expecting at the pond. Many apologies to those of you who had to wait for some of the sweatshirts, I am afraid the supplier had to order some more stock for us. The club range now includes Sweatshirts, Polo Shirts, Pilot Shirts and Baseball caps and we also have car stickers available. If you would like to buy any items (car badges are free of charge) please see me at the lake, drop me a line or ring me and I will sort them out for you.

The programme for this year has been agreed, see the "Dates for your diary" section below. Please give me details if you intend to participate in the Marwell Model Boat Safari. We have been invited to attend an Open Day by Waterside Model Club at Gang Warily, Blackfield on either 10th or 24th August; we will not have a club stand but will just attend as visitors; if anybody wants to go, the day will also be for cars and helicopters. We have also been invited to put on a club stand at the Itchen Valley Rotary Club's planned replacement for "Model World" to be held at the Fleming Park Leisure Centre, Eastleigh, on either 7th or 14th of September. It will be themed specifically on "Trains, Boats and Planes". I will confirm dates for both these events later.

I am pleased to see that we are starting the season with a fairly full lake, all we need now is the sunshine and you, the members to come along and enjoy the company and the lake. I look forward to seeing you all at Setley Pond.

David

Dates for your diary

Club Events

Wednesday, 2nd April, 7.30pm: AGM, Cricket Pavilion, Vaggs Lane, Hordle, (see below)

Saturday, 10th May, 10am: "Navy Days at Setley Pond" ...bring your warship along.

Sunday, 1st June: Steering Competition, Richard Graham Trophy, 9.30am start.

Sat/Sun, 14th/15th June: Club Stand, Marwell Model Boat Safari, Marwell Zoo.

Sunday 13th July: Club 30th Anniversary, All Day Event, Setley Pond (more details later)

Sunday 3rd August: Club Display Lymington Lifeboat Open Day ,

Sunday 31st August: Steering Competition , Solent Cup . 9.30 start

Dates/ Venues: (to be confirmed) Club Exhibition, Christmas Function (see below).

Other exhibitions during 2008

4th May: Beale Park Modelling Show (1) (http://www.bealepark.co.uk/events_item.php?id=111)

12th/13th July: Weymouth Modelling Festival (<http://www.weymouth.gov.uk/main.asp?svid=860>).

25th – 27th July: International Festival Of the Sea; Portsmouth Historic Dockyard;
incorporates Model Boat Exhibition (http://www.festivalofthesea.co.uk/wo_model_boats.aspx).

20th/21st Sept. (TBC). Model warship Week-end; Portsmouth Historic Dockyard

5th October Beale Park Modelling Show (2) (http://www.bealepark.co.uk/events_item.php?id=111).

Agenda and Directions for the 2008 AGM

SOLENT R.C.M.Y.C.

(Founded Jan 1978 .Affiliated with the MYA and the SWAMBC)



NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, 2nd APRIL 2008

PLACE: The Cricket Pavillion, Vaggs Lane, Hordle, Nr Lymington, SO41 0FP

TIME: 7.30 PM (Tea and coffee will be available)

AGENDA

1. Minutes of last meeting

2. Matters Arising

3. Captains Report

4. Treasurers Report

5. Election of Officers and Committee for

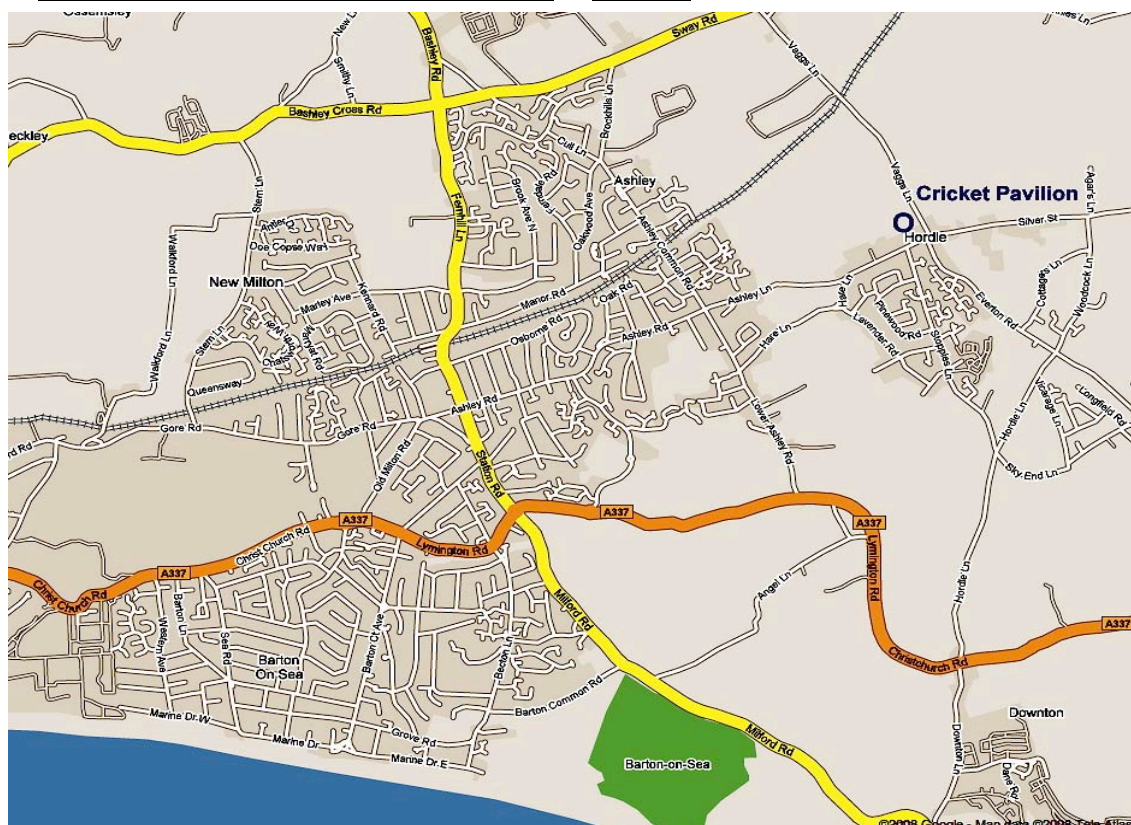
2008/9 (nomination form at end of newsletter)

6. 30th Anniversary Club Day 13th July

7. Christmas Lunch/Social

8. Club Exhibition.

9. AOB



MINUTES OF THE 2007 SCALE SECTION AGM

HELD AT THE CRICKET PAVILLION, HORDLE ON WEDNESDAY 4th April 2007

Present. David McNair-Taylor (Scale Captain), Peter Soffe, John Frost, Peter Oram, Andrew Davis, Lorna Soffe, and 20 members.

Apologies. Received from Sheila Soffe, John Sherwood, Mike Hammond and Don Scott.

Minutes of last Meeting. Minutes of the 2006 AGM were read and approved. Proposed Ray Hellicar, Seconded Brian Severn

Matters Arising. None raised.

Captains Report. The Captain told members that the club had gone from strength to strength over the past year and that membership was still being managed to keep it below 100 maximum, the present membership total being 96 with a waiting list of 6, with 75 members already paid up for 2007, the deadline being 31 May; it was expected that there would be a few non renewals that may clear the waiting list.

Attendance on both Thursdays and Sundays had been excellent and consistent even over the winter months despite low water levels. It is pleasing to see that the lake is now really full and should give us a good start to the season. The captain expressed his thanks to John Frost and Andrew Davis for their efforts in running the Steering Competitions and it was agreed that the large and small boat formats would be continued. Peter Oram was thanked for his sterling work running the frequency board, etc. on Thursdays. The Xmas Lunch had proved a great success being a record attendance of 50, and with people waiting for places; it was regrettable that the hotel had placed a limit on places available and steps have been taken to resolve the situation for 2007. The captain thanked Mike Hammond for his excellent work in negotiating and organising the event. Peter Soffe was thanked for his work in maintaining the harbour and notice boards etc. Last but not least the captain thanked Lorna Soffe for all her support and hard work as Treasurer.

EVENTS IN 2006: The Highcliffe show had been a great success with 74 boats on display and raised a record £512 for the RNLI. The Calshot Lifeboat day had also been very well attended with 70 boats on display, the day had raised £1700 for the RNLI, Marwell Zoo had not been so well attended with only 18 boats and Model World at Romsey had a record attendance by club members: despite extra tables we still had a problem getting all the 50 exhibits on display, extra tables have been requested for 2007. The Captain thanked members for the donations to the Xmas Raffle and reported that £60 had been donated to the Lymington Hospital and £60 to the RNLI. The report was accepted: Proposed Don Brazier, Seconded Roger Yeatman.

Treasurers Report. (See attached balance sheet) The Club was in a good position financially: Main Points :- The extra cost of insurance had been covered, increased lake hire fee, slight profit from sale of shirts, caps and aerial protectors, drinks for Xmas Lunch subsidised, club had purchased new exhibition tables and a gazebo. Balance in bank at end of year £314.30. The report was accepted: Proposed Don Brazier, Seconded John Nixon.

Election of Officers and Committee. David McNair-Taylor and existing Committee were re-elected there being no additional nominations. Proposed Don Brazier, Seconded Bob Eaton.

Lorna Soffe was elected on to the Committee as a full committee member and Treasurer (having been seconded only for 2006): Proposed Roger Yeatman, Seconded Brian Severn.

RULES AMENDMENTS.

(1) The captain explained the new regulations regarding supervision of young persons under 16 required by law and that the club was unable to provide a trained member to supervise unattended young persons, a rule amendment was agreed stating that all member's children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or carer: Proposed Brian Severn, Seconded John Nixon.

(2) It was agreed that 25Khz transmitters be added to the approved list, no formal rule amendment required

NON MEMBERS USE OF LAKE ON CLUB DAYS.

The captain explained that the clubs permit from the Forestry Commission gave exclusive use of the lake on club days and that recent events had proved that we need to ensure that all users of the lake on club days are insured. A letter has been sent to the Forestry seeking approval to request non members who wish to sail on club days pay a nominal £1.50 to cover club insurance and sign in as visitors also to be issued with a sheet of rules regarding the use of the lake etc. A reply had not yet been received but telephone conversations indicated that approval would be given.

EVENTS for 2007. the captain outlined the events already booked and the probability of a club fun day at the lake with a BBO etc was discussed. Members agreed that this would be arranged by the committee.

Ray Hellicar proposed a vote of thanks to the Captain and Committee for their work in 2006. There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

Editorial

Many thanks for the positive response I received for the last newsletter, however future newsletters depend on you, they can only be as good as what you submit... let's face it I've already given you my one decent "Hint and Tips" idea! However, I know full well that you lot have many, many more. Please send me all your hints, tips, articles, adverts, and letters. While I would prefer electronic formats, pen and paper is perfectly acceptable! This month we have a contribution on Hovercraft from Peter Bryant and the first of an intriguing series of "Peter's Toolbox" tips from Peter Oram.



I only impose this picture on you so that you can recognise me at the pond and give me your valuable contributions!

With regard to my "Smoke Generator" article, Alan Bond has contacted me to suggest that if a power surge during switch on is a problem, a much better solution than my use of potentiometers is to use "negative temperature coefficient (NTC) thermistors". These are connected in series with the load. At switch on the thermistor is cold and therefore it has a high resistance which limits the current. Then as the current flows, the high resistance causes the thermistor to heat up, its resistance then drops and very nearly the full voltage is applied to the circuit. Alan can supply more details of part numbers and source if you want to use this technique. Incidentally, it turns out that Alan and I both did our first degrees at Imperial College, London, at very nearly the same time and, although in different years, lived in the same Hall of Residence!

Peter Taylor.

Hints and Tips

Model Hovercraft (from Pete Bryant)

Several people down at the pond have taken an interest in my hovercraft so I thought I would write an article on them. I started building model hovercraft as I was looking for something different and out of the ordinary. As I live in Salisbury I needed something I could also operate away from the pond. This type of craft certainly appeared to fit the bill.

Basically there are two types of real hovercraft, so models follow the same pattern. First there is the type, which has one single motor, which drives a large propeller in a

single duct at the rear of the craft. Some of the airflow is then diverted through a splitter plate in the bottom of the duct. About a third of the air goes down into the skirt and exits under the craft where the air cushion is formed. The rest of the air is used to propel the craft forward. With this type it is not possible to fully hover when static as there will always be air-pushing foreword. This type of craft is like the one in picture left. It is the type of model I have taken to Calshot RNLI day and to Setley pond.



Flying this sort of craft is fairly difficult as you have less control. You have to go to two-thirds power just to inflate the skirt and form the air cushion. The craft then starts to move and can then go on full power. When stopping, the tendency is to shut everything down and she just grinds to a halt and sits on the water. Turning is easy as it can turn more or less in it's own length. It does however have a tendency to want to flip over, especially in rough conditions. As it has a large 9-inch propeller things can also get hot. The motor in mine has been recorded pulling over 30 Amps. Recently on my new Aero Racer I had smoke coming out of it when a connector melted.

The other type of hovercraft (see picture below) is like the passenger ones we see locally. They have a separate lift system to the main propulsion unit. The model can do anything a real one can do. The model construction is also the same with separate air ducts for lift and propulsion. When the skirt is removed the frame is the same as on the old SRN6 hovercraft. I know this as I got under one and had a look.



For a model hovercraft this is the best sort to build. However it is much more difficult to construct and needs practice to operate. Flying this type of model can be more fun as you have a lot more control. You can do anything the real one does with practice. It can be hovered whilst the craft is stationary. You can pull away

gently increasing speed as you go. When stopping you can slow it on the main motor and in emergency reduce the pressure in the skirt so as to act as an additional brake. Turning is also easier. As you become more experienced you soon learn to master using the skirt pressure in combination to the rudders and main propulsion unit to control the craft. It may sound complicated but it is not. I would think that anyone who operates a model sailing craft would need a lot more skill than I would with the hovercraft.

Model hovercraft are also easier to operate on water than on land. This is because the air under the craft takes a different form. On water the air forms a shape of an upturned saucer with most of the air being distributed around the inner edge of the skirt under the plenum and the water being pushed to the centre. On land the air is

simply directed straight down. Believe me there is a noticeable difference.

Both of the pictured craft have been disposed of. The camouflaged one was written off due to a design fault, which caused it to break its back at a certain weak point. The designer has modified the kit and supplied me with a new craft. The larger one was used at the school where I work and was used during lessons. It's great being paid to do your hobby. It was never put on water and only operated on the tennis courts. It ended up needing the skirt replacing due to misuse. As I had made several mistakes in the construction I decided it was more economical to give it away rather than do repairs. I stripped it of all electronics and gave it to the school. They got it going as a project and it is still operational to this day but seldom used owing to insurance problems. While on the subject of insurance you are covered by the Club's insurance (see below), however, as I am a member of the Model Hovercraft Association I also have extra cover.

I am now in the process of building a new hovercraft. This one will be 42 inches long and 18 inches wide. Propulsion will be by a 9-volt brush less motor driving a 7-inch propeller with forward and reverse thrust. A brushed 600 motor driving a 6-inch propeller will provide lift. Like the experimental one I operate it will be giro stabilised so as to keep the craft in a straight line. This takes a lot of the workload off of the operator when flying. With the giro disengaged you are constantly trying to correct the movement left and right and in doing so tend to keep over correcting the rudder. This causing in turn causes it to zig zag uncontrollably. The new craft will be constructed using 0.04 and 0.08mm plywood and 6mm balsa strip. The skirt will be made from Rip Stop Nylon. Hopefully I can keep the weight down to around 8 lbs gross. Having said that I do know of a person who is operating a similar size craft weighing 12 lbs.

If anyone would like more information regarding model hovercraft please feel free to contact me. My telephone number is 01722 333369.

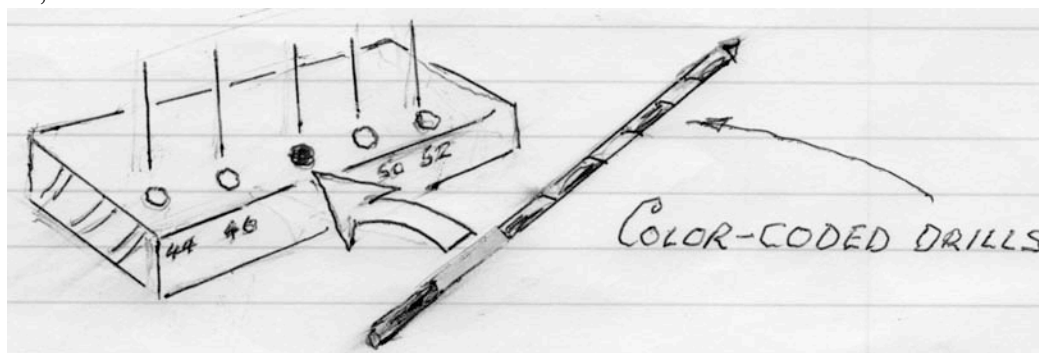
Pete Bryant

[Editors comment: I couldn't believe that Pete was working with 0.04 and 0.08mm plywood so I checked with him... and it's true! The 0.04mm stuff costs £11.99 for a 12 x 48 inch sheet, he sent me a sample - it, and the thicker variants, look like really good modelling material, much better to work with than thin balsa or basswood. Pete buys it from Spire models, which is a specialist model glider shop (38 Napier Crescent, Laverstock, Salisbury, Wilts, SP1 1PL. <http://www.spiremodels.com/> Phone: 01722 415541); or you could try your local model plane shop]

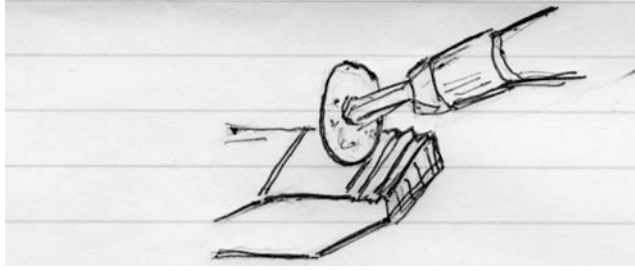
Peter's Toolbox...

(1) Colour coded drills

Very small drill bits are difficult to keep sorted, since they are too small to carry engraved settings. After measuring each bit, colour code them with dabs of different paint, then code the drill bit stands to match...



(2) Refurbish Pliers



Worn teeth on pliers can be refurbished with the Dremel cut-off wheel in a Moto Tool.

Peter Dram

Letters Section

Dear Editor,

Thank you for the new style Club Newsletter - I will look forward to further interesting detail and discussion in this publication in 2008! I was glad that our elected Captain of Scale Proportion expressed his kind appreciation of the 2007 Xmas Luncheon at South Lawns which once again surpassed itself with good cuisine and attendance resulting in a substantial benefit for the Macmillan Cancer Charity, thanks goes to Mike Hammond and the lottery selling ladies! It was also pleasing that there was also good support for the Solent Clubs' Annual Exhibition of crafty entries at the Highcliffe Methodist Hall (proceeds acknowledged to the RNLI) on the 8th March 2008. This event is always popular among most members, dedicated 'builders' and 'active' navigators in the Club alike, not forgetting those whose dad 'add one like that!

We must be concerned however that the total paid-up membership is 112, which can create quite an enthusiastic crowd on pond days. In fact without any prejudice I understand that the last AGM approved a membership of only 100, with a waiting list of 10p.a. My reasoning is shared by others who believe that a "high water level" is fine to suit all-comers and their eligible applications. In my opinion crowding can occur which could lead to timed intervals "on water" of say 20 minutes for some frequency operators on the "spring tide". Some of us come a considerable distance and as time can be limited, particularly when vehicles parking is to be considered, and battle lines drawn up with the ramblers, twitchers and horsey folk who also enjoy the Forest. The pond at Setley is a natural draw for everyone and their families, offspring and pet dogs! And its FREE !

The introduction of Club apparel seems to have gone down well with most members and is of good quality and gives the Club identity at very reasonable cost... Size, Sir??

The accepted policy requires the Club to have Public Liability Insurance as essential to afford protection presumably against unforeseen incidents and actions by Joe Public in this enlightened age of the 21st Century. As for local marine incidents afloat due to lack of "keeping a proper lookout" allegations of the ferry worst kind - then an Apology is expected and a nominal 50p fine claimed by the Supervisor- Present is in order? Damages should be negotiated out-of-court! Helm over - I am quite happy to loan a pair of frequency crystals in an emergency but I would like both returned or replaced, as it appears that I now have 3 odd chips in my kit - not paired up. Not guilty m'lud !

Just some thoughts from an old sailor beyond redemption or belief - Now where did I put that piercing saw and last years template? Gotcha! The plan has got a tear just in the wrong place ...oops. Must get on - the boating season is fast coming in ...hull oh!!

Ponderer (...name & address supplied)

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*(Email received by David McNair-Taylor from Graham Coombs, a founder member):*

David,

I was interested in your report to the SWAMBC, as being one of the founder members of your Club, along with Bob Jefferies, David Waugh, Tony Abel and others, I am always interest to read how the club is getting on.

Were you aware that when the club first got interested in the lake for model boating, we had to get approval from the New Forest Council to clear it of rubbish and partly dredge it out, to make it a reasonable size for model boat sailing

When Wellworthy's closed down in Lymington I was moved to Bridgwater in Somerset and have continued with model boat building here, both scale boats and racing yachts and still race my 1M and 10R yachts. I am currently a member of both Crealy, (Exeter), and Yeovil Model Boat Clubs and I believe one of the Crealy members, the Chairman Peter Stevens, is also a member of your club.

My wife and I, both being born and brought up in Lymington / Pennington, have a fond attachment to the New Forest and with many relations and friends still living in the area, we are often down there.

Two of your coming events are of interest to me, which I would very much like to get to, they are:-

The exhibition at Highcliffe and the 30th anniversary Fun Day.

Could you please send me the date of the Fun Day when you have finalised it, as my wife and I would like to arrange to be down in the Forest that day.

Regards, *Graham*.

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### **CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2008 - new ideas from Mike Hammond.**

*[Editors comment... The "C word" already... Aargh!!! At this rate you'll be getting the RNLi Christmas Gift Catalogue through your letter box tomorrow! ...but sorry Mike, please continue:]*

I feel that it is time for a change to the current theme and venue in the light of our present increased membership, and the ever rising cost of Restaurant meals and bar prices. The likely cost per head at South Lawns Hotel this year would be around £24, and with a drink at the Bar, we are up to £27 which is too high for many of our members especially with Christmas approaching and all the usual commitments at that time of year.

With about 56 seats taken up at the last two lunches, and half of those taken by members' wives, it means that we are currently attracting only 25% of the membership, and many of those attending are not regular attendees to the "Pond". Of course one doesn't need to attend the boating activities to qualify for membership and therefore the social events on offer, but as an active club, it is the Committee's duty to encourage the members who actively engage in boating activities on a regular basis.

An alternative venue could be the "Hare and Hounds" Pub on the outskirts of Sway, which is about a mile from Setley pond. They could offer us a sit-down Christmas Lunch (Turkey) for 35/40 people at around £16.50 per head and you buy your own drinks to suit your pocket. Maybe we could link this to a morning's boating at the pond (weather permitting), and any non-booked members who decided that they wanted to come at the last minute could still take pot-luck with a Bar meal. This could be a more informal gathering, which might appeal to a wider membership?



The main problem would be parking, and cars might have to be left on the road some distance away.

Another alternative could be a “Skittles Evening” at the “Hoburne Caravan Park” in Highcliffe. They can offer us a One-course light meal (Fish, Scampi, Sausage, & Chips, Ham & Salad, etc.) at around £8, and this would give us the use of a large private function room with Bar and two skittle alleys. This would cater for between 35 to 90 and would be more suitable for a broader spectrum of members and also wives, and would encourage people to mix! The “skittles” is only a fun thing as the alleys are only of a temporary nature and skill would probably be a disadvantage! I do appreciate that it is a long way for some people to travel, but there is easy access from the A35, and ample parking.

What ever is decided, in the future, payment in full will be required at the time of the booking as the experience has been that certain members are reluctant to part with their money by a requested date, and considerable time and effort has been put in by some committee members to obtain payment in order to confirm bookings with the venue. Also, last year, some members booked twice with entirely different choice of menu, others didn't complete their choice, and finally others decided to cancel at the last minute having failed to pay at all!

We will return to the earlier system, where the final details and cost will be published in the Summer/Autumn Newsletter, with a tear-off sheet with your choices to be filled in and returned to me along with your cheque for payment in full, and refunds will only be made at the Committee's discretion.

I urge all members to think about this, and those who are likely to support our club and this annual Social Function to fill in their order of preference for the three locations and associated cost. The final decision will be made at the AGM, but the more feedback that we can get beforehand (particularly if you won't get to the AGM) will help to choose the most popular choice for the festive event.

*Mike Hammond.*

*Please complete the voting form at the end of this newsletter and send by post, as soon as possible, directly to Mike.*

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### **Club Insurance policy**

*A member has requested details of the Club Insurance. Arranged through SWAMBC, the policy is outlined below. If you need to prove details of cover to use the facilities of another club, David can supply a certificate; however the following details (reproduced here in full), with a club membership card should normally be sufficient. In general, members do not need a separate certificate, just your membership card.*

**Name & Address of Insured:** Solent Radio Controlled M Y C and/or individual members for their respective rights and interests

**Location:** Setley Pond, Setley Nr Brockenhurst and elsewhere in the United Kingdom and Europe

**Insurer:** Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance PLC. **Policy Number:** RTT127552/SW024.

**Period of Insurance:** 01/02/08 to 01/02/09

**Limit of Indemnity:** £2000000 any one event (inc. sparks & ashes and boiler explosion) Cover extends to include any public authority whose facilities are being used by the insured. Indemnity to principals is automatically provided (e.g. private landowners, host modelling/model engineering clubs or societies)

**Loss or damage resulting from Boiler Explosion:** The insurers shall not be liable for Injury or damage caused by boiler or pressure vessel explosion unless:

a) the boiler or pressure vessel concerned has at the time of the incident a valid thorough examination certificate issued against a suitable Written Scheme of Examination drawn up by either an inspection authority affiliated to the Safety Assessment Federation (SAFed) or by the National Traction Engine Trust or:

b) the boiler or pressure vessel concerned has at the time of the incident a valid certificate of hydraulic test and a valid certificate of annual examination and steam test both issued following examinations

conforming with the Examination and Testing of Miniature Steam Boilers (New Edition 2006) and any subsequent revisions or:

c) the vessel concerned is a small boiler namely that it has a capacity of not more than 3 bar litres or the vessel concerned is a gas tank with a capacity of not more than 180ml when cover shall be in force whether or not a valid thorough examination certificate has been issued or been issued.

**Driving (model locomotives up to 15" gauge):** Within the geographical limits of the policy the insured may drive any model owned by him/her and also any model not owned by him/her but being driven by him/her with the owner's consent. A model owned by the insured may be driven by any person who is driving on the insured's order or with his/her permission. There is no upper age limit for drivers. Cover extends to include gas turbine powered locomotives. The policy does not provide any cover as required by the Road Traffic Act.

**Use (model locomotives up to 15" gauge):** A driver age 16 or over may carry passengers either gratuitously or fare paying provided the driver receives no remuneration either monetary or in kind other than reasonable out of pocket expenses and/or supply of fuel. A driver under the age of 16 may carry as passengers, the insured, members of their own family and if the under age 16 driver is a member of a bona fide model engineering club or society, fellow members of that or other bona fide model engineering clubs or societies providing the under age 16 driver is supervised by a responsible and competent driver age 16 or over and all reasonable precautions are taken. Use for hire or reward or any personal business purpose is excluded.

**Model Boats:** A model boat is a boat which because of its small size is incapable of sailing whilst carrying a person. Cover extends to include model boats powered by electric, clockwork or rubber motors, sail, steam, or internal combustion controlled by the insured or by any person with the owner's consent.

**Model Air Cushioned Vehicles:** Cover extends to include model air cushioned vehicles powered by electric, clockwork or rubber motors, or internal combustion engines not exceeding 40cc capacity, controlled by the insured or by any person with the owner's consent.

**Model Aircraft:** Cover extends to include model aircraft including those powered by rubber motors, internal combustion engines or propelled electrically excluding any kind of rocket or pulse jet unit, gas turbine or turbojet other than 'Jetex' power units. Model aircraft powered by internal combustion engines are restricted to the following: -

- a) Radio Controlled - total engine capacity up to but not exceeding 40cc
- b) Free Flight - total engine capacity up to but not exceeding 10cc
- c) Line Controlled - Total engine capacity up to but not exceeding 40cc

Cover extends to include model aircraft flying from M.O.D. property, to include instructors providing model flying training for financial gain and the interest of the Secretary of State for Defence is noted

**Special Note:** Cover under this policy does not provide cover for any liability arising out of a members own personal Garden Railway which is greater than 2.5" gauge or a members own personal Portable Track which is greater than 2.5" gauge or if a member is borrowing someone else's Portable Track which is greater than 2.5" gauge and the member is using that Portable Track for purposes other than those of Solent Radio Controlled M Y C

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## Contact details

Please send your favourite hints and tips, letters, adverts, or other contributions to:

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email: pktaylor@gotadsl.co.uk      Setley Pond: most Sundays, some Thursdays

phone: 023 80554670 (you will get my answering machine; say who you are and why you are calling... I'll either answer if I'm there, or get back to you!)

## Cut off date for entry in the next issue is: 31st May 2008

***But don't wait till then, send it to me now,*** and especially give me more time if you are submitting on paper or want me to rewrite or do the "art" work!

(The **very** small print... All articles are gratefully received and, as necessary, I will work with the author towards achieving publication. Letters too are welcomed, but I reserve the right to shorten and make minor changes. Obviously, the writer's name and contact details need to be supplied to me, but these can be withheld from publication on the writer's request. However, in all cases my decision is final as to whether, and under what category, newsletter submissions are published... so if you disagree you can blame it on me, your editor,

*Peter Taylor,* Happy boating!)

**The SRCMYC photo web site is at last (almost) up to date, with many new photos!**

**<http://www.photobox.co.uk/album/2406543>**

**...your model is probably there, prints are available at cost price, contact your editor!**





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## The Colour Supplement

### (1) Highcliffe Exhibition

*This year's exhibition was very well attended and is estimated to have made well over £500 for the RNLI.*



### (2) Photos from the Newsletter

*(Note for email users: to save costs the newsletter sent through the post is copied in black and white, with this page sent out in the postal version to repeat the pictures in colour. On this occasion, to speed distribution after the Highcliffe exhibition and with the AGM coming up fast, everyone is being sent the colour supplement!)*

#### Pete Bryant's Hovercraft...

