



Southend Model Boat Club News Bulletin –December 2022

Hi All:

What a Year this has been. Everything happening has been conspiring to interrupt our model sailing activities. First it was lockdown with Covid then “The Weed” then Low Water Levels then Poor Oxygen Levels! Well hopefully that is behind us and let’s just hope that the new year will be less traumatic and that we can get back to some sort of normality.

Attached to this Email is a copy of the Southend Model Boat Club Programme of Events for 2023 Version V1.0. This lists the events that are planned for the coming year. As the year progresses no doubt there will be some changes but as a when this happens a revised programme will be issued changing the V issue on the front of the programme. A few hard copies of this programme are in the clubhouse.

You will see from the programme that we have our AGM on Friday 10th February 2023 at 19.30 for 20.00 start at the Thames Estuary Yacht Club so can you all put this date in the Diary. It is your AGM so please come along. There are likely to be some retirements from committee posts this year, so it is important that we fill these posts. Please think about joining the committee it’s not that onerous a task and we are always available to provide assistance and backup. Nomination forms for the committee posts will be sent out with the Notice of AGM in Mid-January 2023.

With regard to subscriptions, these will be due by the end of March 2023 it is likely that the subs will remain the same as last year £27.00 for single membership and £40.00 for family membership. This to be confirmed after the next committee meeting on 7th January 2023 and will be confirmed at the AGM. The member MOJO accounts have been updated with expiry dates and reminders on MOJO will go out based on this.

Currently the state of the lake is good with acceptable water levels however we are concerned about reoccurrence of the problems of this past year later in the season. We are in discussions with the Southend Council Parks department who are aware of the issues and have various ideas for solutions, but these will be subject to finances being available!

During the year we have had a few new members and re-joining members join the club. Les Baynham, Michael Easlea, Ronald & Dorothea Evans, Roderick Gilham, Dennis Graham, Tony Probert, Mark Sibley, Stephen Taylor, Mark Temperley and Clifford White. I am sure you will all join with me in welcoming these members to the club and look forward, if not already having done so, to seeing them down at the lake and at the TEYC for our Friday evening meetings.

New Members are always welcome so if you know of anyone that may be interested in joining the club, please let us know so we can give them a membership form (Copies of forms are available in the clubhouse)



Please try to attend the new AGM it is your club and the AGM is the time to put forward your comments, views and proposals so I look forward to seeing as many as possible there.

I would like to, on behalf of the Committee wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and hopefully a Happy and prosperous New Year with and uninterrupted season of club events

Kind regards

John Moore

Club Secretary

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24th December 2022