



OXFORD MODEL BOAT CLUB

Christmas 2010 Newsletter



As we head towards 2011 perhaps it is time to reflect on our activities during 2010. The monthly Scale mornings have been a great success with many boats being seen on the pond. This is due in no small part to the efforts of Dave Smith who, each month, has given me both text & photos for the newsletter. The sailing events have been well attended and our sailors have done well in both area & national competitions. Here are some of the photos.



Apologies to those whose boats are not shown above, watch this space! In the mean time keep on with those winter projects and surprise us all in 2011.

Here are the results of the 2010 sailing competitions:



FIESTA	ANCHOR		BOWL	
Name	Pts.	Pos.	% diff	Pos
T King	89	1	0.42	8
J King	102	2	-2.13	12
J Cox	125	3	5.64	4
I Smith	160	4	-0.63	11
M Robinson	169	5	0.20	9
D Skinner	231	6	7.79	3
P Izzard	262	7	9.95	1
D Smith	277	8	3.04	5
E Hoare	198 / 4	9	0.94	7
N Panter	251 / 4	10	-0.46	10
N Donaldson	96 / 3	11	-3.13	13
D Payne	111 / 3	12	1.25	6
P Huntley	160 / 3	13	9.17	2
D Miller	215 / 3	14	-10.29	14
M Coates	73 / 1	15	-	-

ANCHOR

1	T King	89
2	J King	102
3	J Cox	125

BOWL

1	P Izzard	9.95%
2	P Huntley	9.17%
3	D Skinner	7.79%

ONE METRE	SHIELD		ROSEBOWL	
Name	Pts.	Pos.	% diff	Pos
G King	92	1	4.77	2
M Robinson	146	2	-5.47	7
D Payne	164	3	3.62	3
J King	190	4	-10.83	9
I Smith	206	5	-11.38	10
D Skinner	314	6	-3.89	6
N Panter	337	7	0.83	4
N Donaldson	97 / 4	8	7.30	1
J Cox	183 / 3	9	-9.58	8
E Hoare	99 / 2	10	-0.42	5
T King	114 / 2	11	-25.00	12
M Coates	57 / 1	12	-12.95	11

SHIELD

1	G King	92
2	M Robinson	146
3	D Payne	164

ROSEBOWL

1	N Donaldson	7.30%
2	G King	4.77%
3	D Payne	3.62%

The George Wren & Scale Yacht Trophies were awarded to:

George Wren: to Terry Richards
Scale Yacht: to Dave Harrison



Sunday 21st November:

There were just two of us for an impromptu scale session; Paul had bought his Robbe Jollie for its first outing; it was a calm morning, not a true test, but in a brief blow the onboard crewman was able to spring into action. Paul has made a few mods to both the servo arrangements and the crewman, leaving the latter a little lightheaded I understand!



Paul said; *He should have 200 grams of lead in his head but has only 150 grams as I was warned by Merlyn Coates (who also has a Jollie) that he had had some servo problems so gave his crewman a lobotomy and removed all the lead! I have a more powerful servo but opted for a 50 gram compromise. I must thank Merlyn for introducing me to his Jollie, for finding me a kit for sale in the west country and for his encouraging advice during its construction.*



The Blitz has now had its aerial run above deck between the masts and I now have full control on the far side of the pond.

It looks like this was the last club get together at the pond this year, with the weather closing in the pond frozen over and temperatures in sub zero figures. Looking back, it's been a very good season, starting in February, building to really impressive meetings during the summer and early autumn, together with attendance at a couple of shows. All this attracted interest in the clubs activities, and I think encouraged one or two new members. The variety of models was a pleasant surprise, with not only electric, but steam and sail providing motive power. Submarine, speedboat, warship, tug, vintage, sailing barge and even a far eastern junk made it to Hinksey in 2010. This last model, Dave Harrison's Oriental Junk, to his own design, made a full page article in Marine Modelling, further raising the clubs profile in modelling circles. See you in 2011.....Dave

Best wishes to you all for Christmas & 2011. I hope to see you all at the pond next year with your completed winter projects, I've got three! Paul Izzard Sec. & Ed.

Oxford Model Boat Club.

Annual General Meeting 2nd December 2010

Apologies.

Apologies were received from, Eric Hoare, John Smith, John Foreman Mike Robinson, Mike Ledger, Merlin & Betty Coates.

Members present.

There were fourteen members present. (Frost & snow depleted attendance).

Minutes of the 2009 meeting.

The minutes were read and it was unanimously accepted as being a true record of the meeting.

Matters arising.

There were no matters arising.

Treasurers report.

The major expense over the year had been a 'one off' payment of £150 to the Hinksey Sculling Club £150 plus the cost of replacing buoys on the small lake. Club insurance was also a major expense. Major income was from member's fees plus donations from the sale of models

Funds in hand at the bank stand at **£832.96** with no outstanding bills.

The treasurer suggested that current membership fees should be kept at 2010 levels and that the current insurance providers be retained.

This was agreed unanimously.

Secretary's report.

The secretary gave a rundown of the years activities. The monthly news letter has proved popular but the secretary is always seeking articles to keep members informed.

A wall calendar has been prepared and is free to members. The current members list is embodied within the calendar as is the year's events. The events might well vary as time goes on but it is up to members to keep their copy up to date.

The suggested algae treatment of the small lake has been presented to the council but the person who makes decisions is evasive as usual.

Racing secretary's report. (read by secretary)

Generally speaking the racing side has proved successful with Greg and Josh King being exceptional at National Level. The Fiesta competitions are now localised but an 'Open Meeting' for the class is proposed for 2011.

Scale Secretary's report. (read by secretary)

The scale section has continued to flourish due to the input and participation by members. Any articles and constructive suggestions are always welcome.

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Chairman's report.

The club has generally experienced a successful year due to the efforts of members to participate in all events. The scale side success is due to the efforts of Dave Smith and we must continue to support him. Mike Robinson is also due thanks for his work in liaising with the MYA and input to all sailing matters.

Thanks are very much due to Greg King for his work on the website which continues to attract hits and the occasional new member.

The two King brothers have had notable success in sailing in MYA competition and the club has the right to be proud of their outstanding efforts, and also the their father Terry, for his continued support of them.

The chairman is moving from the Oxford area in the New Year and reluctantly has to give up the chairmanship. The past years as secretary has been a pleasure and the chairman thanked members for their support.

There followed a vote of thanks to the outgoing chairman for his efforts during his time in office and his very welcome input to the clubs success.

Presentation of Trophies.

Fiesta:	Anchor			Bowl		
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George Wren	T Richards					
Scale Yacht	D Harrison					

Election of officers.

- Paul Izzard indicated his willingness to continue as Secretary.
- Roy Noble indicated his willingness to act as Treasurer.
- John Cox indicated his willingness to act as chairman.
- Dave Smith is prepared to stay as Scale Secretary
- Mike Robinson is also prepared to stay as Sailing and MYA liaisons officer.
- **The forgoing officers were elected by unanimous vote.**

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20.45.