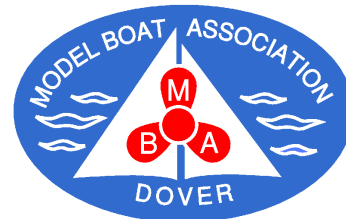


The MBA Dover Newsletter



Issue 17, Summer 2005

Kearsney

Kapers

Hello,

This summer brings with it prospects of another great season for the MBA. Already we have had several well supported local regattas and of course our open event, Kearsney Kapers.

Some of the more adventurous of us, have travelled far and wide spreading the MBA name about around the modelling world.

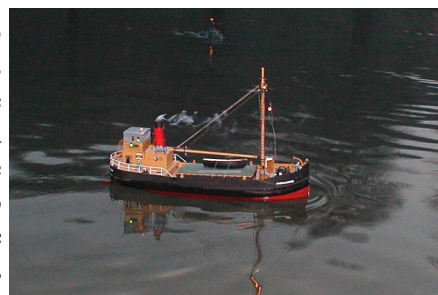
One member, Peter Cook, actually made it to Dortmund in Germany and attended the large model show there, a report by Peter can be found within the pages of this issue.

At the AGM which was held on May 4th, the club Chairperson, Jennie Hounsell gave a general overall report outlining what had been achieved during the last year and thanked everyone for all their hard work and support. The Club accounts were then presented by Carolyn Tripp our Treasurer, they show us to be in a good and healthy financial position even after spending out money during the year to get the new storage area sorted out.

At the end of the meeting, the election of the committee took place. Because everyone was willing to

stand again and no other members wished to be considered, a proposal was made from the floor to elect in the existing members unchanged. A vote was taken and the existing committee was re-elected en masse.

Down at the Abbey, during the early part of the year, a car was driven into the lower lake. Luckily no contamination of the water occurred but since this happened, the gates to the overflow car park have been locked permanently. This causes a great deal of inconvenience to the many people who come down to enjoy the facilities as there are simply not enough parking spaces. The Club has approached the Council who maintain that the reasons for the closure are to protect the tree roots from vehicular damage and the underground culverts from collapsing. One must draw their own conclusions but it appears strange that the locking of the gates happened just after the car incident. We are all hoping that the Council do not introduce car parking charges to sort



George Sutcliffe's puffer

out the lack of space problem.

An idea has been put forward to place a suggestion box in the compound at regattas. The reason behind it is to allow members who can't get to the regular meetings, to jot down what their feelings are and maybe make any relevant comments.

By doing this, we do not wish to imply that anything is necessarily wrong but this might be a way of getting the views of the 120 members or so, who do not get to meetings.

In a similar vein, since the storage shed has been finished, several members still regularly meet there on a Wednesday evening to do little jobs for the good of the Club.

The invitation is there for any members who may have problems with their boats to pop down and see if we can help, or just have a chat about it.

Have a good season,

Alan Poole

MBA, 1st Illuminated Event

April 1st was the date for our first outing of 2005, The Illuminated Event.

The clocks had been altered the week before so it took a while before darkness fell at about 8pm. The models were on the water well before this displaying to a good crowd of onlookers, mostly friends and family of the boats' operators.

There were only six boats actually on the water, which was a little disappointing, but at least it made the judging a little easier!

Eventually the decision was made to award the trophy to George Sutcliffe with his model of the puffer 'Highlander'. This model had all the normal navigation lights and sported a fully illuminated bridge, there was also some internal lighting which showed faintly through the deck head prisms.

There were some models on the water that had won this event before and under our present rules, could not win again, perhaps we may need to modify these rules if we fail to see many new models competing in the future.

However, congratulations to all who did make it and supported the event.

Below can be seen the models in all their glory.



For Sale & Wanted

Only days after closing the Spring issue, I received a number of requests to include items for sale, this was unfortunate as the copy had to be finalised. I do not know if the models are still available but **John Slee** was one member trying to sell a Caldercraft Imara Tug. Contact John (01303 264356) to see if its still available, this will be very well made and impressively large model.



For Sale; Fairwind Yacht - Aquarius

This new yacht has been built by Kevin Carroll an ex-member who imported the kit from the US when they were in short supply in the UK. The yacht is complete with a 2 channel radio and servo's, all that's required to get on the water is some batteries.

For further information Tel. 01304 240563



For Sale: Mobile Marine Models Damen

3110 tug hull and drawings, 3/8inch = 1ft scale. Smaller version of the large tugs we moulded a while ago, same as the Dover Harbour Tugs. **£50.00**

Kingston Mouldings 42inch beam trawler hull and drawings. **£35.00**

Kingston mouldings Esgarth tug hull and drawings 1/48th scale **£40.00**

3 x Electronize 43X speed controllers, 2 x Electronize 43 speed controllers £20 each

Contact **Ken Hovells** on **01304 360425** (after 7pm please)

Another Ken, this time our own model yacht broker (or should that read Breaker) **Mr Frisby**, has given me a list of his models for sale....These include.

Marie Joseph, a 24 inch French fishing trawler. This is from the MMI plan and is wooden plank on frame. Hi Tech speed controller and receiver, transmitter included **£100.00**

Kyosho 25 inch Atlantis fast cruiser for 7.2v operation. Futaba radio with BEC, Digital speed controller (German). Model built last year, little used. **£100.00**

Robbe 33inch German herring fishing boat Wotan. 6V operation, 40meg Futaba receiver and servo. Opto-isolated speed controller, full lighting installed, well constructed but plans and instructions included. **£160.00.**

Robbe 30inch German police boat Passaud. Operating on 6volt power. Twin motors HiTech 27Mhz receiver and controller, Acoms transmitter. Winner of many steering events

Bargain at **£80.00.** (See photo page 9)

Ken Frisby can be contacted on 01227 832043

For Sale; Interceptor 650 speedboat, 2 chargers, Handset, Stand, 2 sets of crystals, 3X 7.2Volt NiCad batteries, and 15 Model Boat magazines. All for **£130.00 ono.**

Contact James Harris on 01843 227668

Another topical subject from our resident cartoon contributor
Mr Ken Frisby!



Members Models



This action shot is of Vic Jones' **'Topkapi'**; it was originally a Robbe kit but is now unavailable. The hull is moulded from ABS plastic and is very light, combine this with a rewind 5-pole motor and reduction gearbox and the result is a very fast model. The speed controller is a MFA electronic type and the batteries are a 10.6 volt pack of NiMH (Nickel Metal Hydride) cells. Vic, normally known as a yacht person, has had this smart little model for a long time and occasionally runs it as a nice change from its wind powered cousins.

As was briefly mentioned last issue, Dave Cowlin has built a working model two man canoe

It is based on the Royal Marine Cockle MkII and was used successfully for the famous raid on Bordeaux Harbour. These canoes were launched from a submarine then paddled down the River Gironde to make their attack using limpet mines. The marines became known as the Cockleshell Heroes and a film by that name was made, this has become one of the classic war films.



Left

Peter Cook's Solent Class Lifeboat.

This model was purchased already built but in need of some restoration. It was originally an 'Aerokits' model now sadly out of production. Peter has spent a lot of time getting her ready but still needs to do some major surgery on the hull around the propeller tunnels to get her to perform better. The model is to a scale of 1 inch to the foot making it 48 inches overall.

The little open launch pictured right, is a model of the famous "African Queen". The model is owned by Christine Wellard. Denis Wellard built it from the Billings kit and it is complete with logs for the boiler and cases of gin as per the film. When this picture was taken, Miss Hepburn and Mr Bogart had jumped ship! Nothing to do with the quality of Den's workmanship though, I'm told.

The model took only 6 weeks to build and is powered by a 385 motor and M Tronics speed controller. A Graupner smoke unit is also fitted.





You could be forgiven for thinking that this model is the popular Mountfleet kit of a steam trawler, It is in fact a scratch built model from plans. This was one of Dave Judson's models and it is now owned by Denis Wellard. This picture was taken at the Kearsney Kapers event.

Pictured on the right is a splendid large scale model of the tug **Ionía**, seen here ploughing across the lake at Kearsney. The model belongs to a new member Mr Adrian Wood from Sheerness. This picture was also taken at our Kearsney Kapers event in June.



This is the copy of the short report that was in Marine Modelling International magazine.
RNLI Severn Class Lifeboat.

The choice to model one of the RNLI's modern lifeboats as a 'Ready to Run' model should prove to be a winner. Impact International Ltd. has teamed up with the RNLI (Sales) to produce a 1/36 scale model of a Severn Class lifeboat, currently the largest boat in their fleet. The model is constructed from coloured moulded plastic and is 470mm long, The chunky powerful lines of the original have been captured very well in this little model, it also performs nicely on the water operating at scale speed.

A simple two function (27Mhz) radio control handset controls two externally mounted motors that also steer the model by changing the direction of the propellers, there are no rudders. The radio range is stated to be 300ft.

The model comes complete with everything supplied including the batteries, a stand and even a spare set of propellers. It can be ordered through, RNLI(Sales)Ltd, Lifeboat Support Centre, West Quay Road, Poole. Dorset. BH15 1HZ

Tel 0845 126 6999. Sales@rnli.org.uk

Impact International Ltd, Unit43, Old Mill Estate, Stoke Cannon, Exeter EX5 4RJ.

www.impactint.com The price in the UK is **£49.99 +PP**

The little Severn Class Lifeboat afloat at Kearsney, Dover Lifeboat is also a 'Severn Class'!



DORTMUND MODEL SHOW

GERMANY

By Peter Cook

A few years ago I followed a series of programmes on the construction of HMS Fearless on the Discovery Channel. Towards the end of the fifteen-part series they did a special preview on the Dortmund Model Show. After I saw this preview I decided that I would like to go and see the Show for myself. Over the past couple of years the idea has still been very much in my mind and it was mentioned while I spoke to several members at some of the regattas that we had last year. I had already seen the completed model of HMS Fearless a couple of years ago on my first visit to the Beale Park Model Show. Anyway I decided that this was the year to go to Germany to see the Dortmund Show myself. After much discussion I decided to drive to Dortmund (either very brave or stupid) so after much searching on the Internet by my Wife who found us a hotel to stay in and sorted out the ferry bookings as well, we set off.

So while still dark on Wednesday the thirteenth of April we set out from home and after a short drive to the lovely Port of Dover, our journey had begun. The trip was short across the channel and we settled in for the drive, after some six hours we arrived at our destination and only got lost once (pretty good for me).

Due to the time, we decided to chill out and have a sleep after something to eat.

The following day we were up early and, after our continental breakfast, we set off to the Model Show. Supposedly a journey of only a few miles from our hotel, after about forty-five minutes driving we decided that we were going the wrong way and, seeing aircraft, we were on our way to Düsseldorf Airport (Hmm Lost again "this is becoming a habit") anyway after a quick look at the map we were off again, this time the right way, and arrived at the end of a queue of cars. We finally arrived at the model show some two hours after leaving our hotel.

We paid our ten Euros each entrance fee and we were off, as we walked in through the entrance the 'Wow' factor hit us. The first thing that we saw were model boat clubs from all over Europe displaying their very well built craft. We only saw one British club the "Peterborough Model Boat Club" Originally I approached this Club last year to see if it would be possible to travel with them to the show, and following a telephone call from one of their members earlier on this year informing me that their coach was fully booked, I decided to have a go and make my own way to Germany to visit the show.

Anyway me and Sheila (my Wife) continued to walk around the many clubs' displays looking at the many different kinds of marine models on display (one thing struck me was the lack of military/naval vessels on display) we walked for what seemed like miles to find ourselves back at the entrance to the exhibition. We then walked through to the inner hall to find a large indoor pool and again several stands displaying many marine models. There were also some people holding small workshop type displays demonstrating methods of construction in wood, plastic, brass, fibreglass and many other materials.

There was a good display of models on the indoor pond, they were broken up into fifteen minute slots. As this was only Hall 1 of 8, and time seemed to be rushing on, we proceeded to the next hall. This hall was mainly traders, many of which I have never heard of, but some of the names were recognised. We spent quite some time looking around and making the odd purchase, slowly we made our way to the next hall '3' In this hall were scale motor racing cars, it also included a race track. We stood and watched a couple of races, the look of concentration on the faces of the operators of the cars was incredible, and they were so competitive.

We proceeded to the next hall '4' this hall was dominated by model aircraft traders and in a side hall there were flying displays of electric powered model planes and helicopters.

Time was really being stacked up against us due to our detour first thing in the morning, when trying to get to the Show.

We only gave the next couple of halls a glance as we slipped through them. In hall '7', there were motor vehicles and construction vehicles. There was a display of some construction vehicles working, moving soil and sand from one end of a compound to the other and back again, this was set up to look like a quarry and was very impressive. The operators of the models showed excellent con-

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trol of their vehicles.

Hall '8' was set aside for the model railway enthusiasts, with many excellent layouts from urban to wilderness layouts. Obviously I paid a lot of attention to these models as I was once a model railway person myself before I decided a few years ago to concentrate on modelling boats. Time was now well and truly against us and we decided to make our way back to our hotel so after walking all the way back through the many halls we had made our way through earlier, the long trek back to the car (and it was a long way) was undertaken.

I'm not sure what happened to me while I was at the show but I seemed to have lost all sense of direction (yes, you got it, I got lost again; this time we were on our way to Frankfurt) I was panicking,

one of my beam benders had fallen off and the fuel gauge was dropping and to top the lot, the sun started to drop too.

Anyway, after a trip round the motorway network of this part of Germany, we were finally back on track and made it back to our hotel.

An early night was in order due to the hectic day that we had had.

The following day we were up early for our continental breakfast of crusty rolls, cheese, ham and other assorted meats; "yuck", not to my taste.

Once again we were off to the Show again after filling the car up with fuel this time we went straight there (must have been the good night's sleep) considering we arrived nearly three hours earlier than the previous day, why the heck were we in the same car park, the furthest one from the Entrance.

After our trek from the car park, we arrived at the entrance and paid our ten Euros each. This time we decided to do things in reverse and made our way to Hall '8.' The modelling of the railway layouts was exceptionally good and we could see by the look on the faces of the people running the displays, how proud they were of the work that had been put in on constructing and running them.

As we proceeded thought to Hall "6" dominated by traders of model construction vehicles, we could see the displays being put on by the many clubs including some workshops on construction methods.

We spent many hours watching the many different display's of operators showing off there skills in operating their models.

Several model lorries were on display with their operators; a couple of them actually rode on the flat back trucks and articulated rigs, to demonstrate their pulling power.

We continued to make our way through the many halls looking at the trade stands and displays, we ended up at the indoor pond and sat for a couple of hours watching the different displays that were taking place from tall ships, to power boats, submarines and many different tug boats.

Finally it was time for us to make our way back to the hotel and after our long walk to the car park the trip back to the hotel flew past.

Another early night was in order after our long day at the show, so after something to eat, off to bed we went.

The following day at breakfast we were informed by the owners of the hotel that there was an important football match to be held at the stadium and something like 80,000 people were expected to attend. We decided to have a lazy day and investigate part of the town and shops, as this was our last full day at Dortmund. Time just flew past, and the next thing we knew it was time to return to the hotel for the last time and another night in one of the most uncomfortable bed' I've ever slept in.

On our final day we were up bright and early for our crusty rolls, a mixture of cheeses and hams; "YUCK", still not impressed.

After loading the car we set off for Calais and the ferry back to the good old UK.

As I drove through Germany I asked myself some questions.

Was it worth us going all that way to the model show?

Yes it was, as I now have many ideas and picked up so much information on construction methods.

The downside was, it was a very busy schedule that we had planned and also, very tiring for us both. And I thought it was a very expensive short visit, but we have noticed that certain countries that have converted over to the Euro have got more expensive than others.

But, I would go again if the chance arrives in the future.

Peter Cook

Regatta Reports and Out of Area Cruises

Club Regatta, April 24th.

0830 in the morning of 24th April, and already several volunteers had begun to get the regatta equipment down to the lakeside before the cavalry arrived. The completion of the last two trolleys had been delayed due to the non-arrival of the wheels, but the ones that we did have proved to be a vast improvement over the old system, with all the gear arriving down to the water's edge much quicker. The compound was soon sorted out and the (most important) tea tent erected

The regatta course was laid out under the supervision of Frank our Scale Secretary and although initially it was thought to be an easy one, those competing soon discovered that it was not, probably because there was very little space between the buoys to manoeuvre.

As the sun shone down, the boats began to arrive on the tables; I counted 45 models on display at one time, a very good number for our first regatta of the season. Some new models were on view but unfortunately my camera was unable to capture their images this time due to the fact that its operator had to leave early to go on holiday! (That's bad planning).

However, according to my sources, the rest of the day went very well without any hitches.

At the close of the day, everything was safely packed away with most of it now in our new storage facility.

May 22nd Club Regatta

Because of poor weather reports forecasting heavy rain showers, we thought about possibly not setting up all the compound this time, but it brightened and ended up being a superb day weather-wise. Not too many members turned up so we quickly finished the competition side of the event. The rest of the day was devoted to free sailing where several Nut of the Month points were gained !

May 29th Maidstone Cygnets Warship Day

Six members from our Club attended the Cygnets Warship Day at Mote Park, Maidstone. The day was overcast but quite warm with very little wind. We set up our gazebo in record time, this was probably due to it being a new design that simply opens up with the cover already attached. Our contingent consisted of seven grey funnel liners ranging from destroyers to landing craft and, of course, submarines.

The Cygnets had set up a few buoys and a harbour which entertained us as we tried to dock and undock our models. They then organised a mock convoy escorted by the warships, I was glad that I was not in one of those escorted merchant ships! The convoy was then attacked by a German E boat and of course .. that submarine! great fun. Free sailing was the order for the rest of the day with plenty of time on the water for those who wished to have a play.

Kearsney Kapers June 5th

Our open event 'Kearsney Kapers' went off very well despite a disappointingly low turnout. There was another large model boat show at Stevenage which we know accounted for some of the guests not arriving, and the poor weather forecast combined with a lack of parking spaces in the Abbey was probably why some of our members stayed away, however, clubs from Chantry, Maidstone Cygnets, and Ramsgate Vikings came along and we were pleased to welcome members from Heron Model Boat Club from Herne Bay as well.

The day was dry and quite warm with some welcome sunshine, we ran the event as a mostly free sailing event with a sprinkling of yacht races and boat snooker thrown in.

There was a simple timed course set out that did not really tax the brain or create much stress for operators as they navigated around it.

Bottles of wine were awarded for the various winners of each of the competitions and everyone that we spoke to enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere.

We were treated to a very nice display of large scale tug models mainly built by John Boyd from Chantry Model Boat Club based at Bluewater. John has built some of the impressive tugs that are run by our own Club members Paul Bartle and Sons.

Not to be outdone, our two resident big boys, 'Flying Phantom' and 'Bajima' were to be

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found charging around spraying copious amounts of water about and making a lot of noise. Thanks to everyone who helped make the MBA Dover's open event a success.

Bluewater June 12th.

Several members went up to 'Bluewater' at the invitation of 'Chantry' Model Club for their regatta held on the picturesque water located near to the big shopping centre.

It was a breezy day but no rain although it looked likely sometimes.

There were 176 boats on display, this figure matched Ramsgate's ships rally figure for last year, and should give some indication as to how big this event has become.

Perhaps we could field a larger contingent next year; the ladies could always go shopping!

Club Regatta June 26th

Due to work commitments, I could not personally attend this regatta apart from helping to set up early in the morning, but I hear that all went well with the usual format of scheduled events taking place and the rest of the day taken up with free sailing and chatting about model boats.

The weather remained good for the whole day which is always a bonus.

The three models featured below were snapped one Sunday morning down at the Abbey,

Details to follow!

Frog RAF Launch



Neptune



Passaud



Dave Judson

Christine and Denis Wellard have compiled this little piece about Dave Judson. Sadly Dave Judson passed away suddenly on the 29th April 2005. He joined the Club three years ago and the first boat he bought was a Smit Rotterdam from myself. I said at the time if he needed any help just to phone me, which he did quite often with a cry for help and we would meet at Kearsney Abbey. He then often rang for help and this became a joke between us. Myself and Chris then went to Dave and Ann's to give him a little help and became good friends. He will be sadly missed by us both as we enjoyed many days together and had many laughs. Dave attended all regattas both here and away to support the Club, he enjoyed the regattas and the company very much and always looked forward to the next one, often to see if he could buy another boat. He had many boats some of which he bought from Club members.

Review of the 'Robbe' Type XXI submarine kit

Back in October 2004, I was asked if I would like to review the new Robbe Type XXI submarine kit for Marine Modelling International. The kit would be supplied free of charge by Traplet the publishers of MMI, but I would need to supply all the radio gear and anything else needed to get it working.

I considered it to be quite an honour to be asked to review such a prestigious kit from this well known German model manufacturer, I did ponder for a while as to whether I could do it but in the end I accepted the task. Well, actually, I jumped at it!

The deal was to build it and write up my findings with some photographs and send the completed article off to MMI for publication. The time given for this was six months, not very long, but I did manage it without too much difficulty, actually taking only five months.

So what did I think about it, well you will be able to read the complete article in September issue of Marine Modelling International but if you don't take the magazine, this is what I found.

The kit is big, 1.9m long and weighing in at about 12 kilos, it is made from vacuum formed plastic mouldings that went together without too many problems and was just really a large "Airfix" kit.

The working parts built up without any problems with all the hardware supplied in the kit, I used the recommended radio and components and these all fitted exactly as designed with everything working correctly first time, this was due in part to the excellent instruction books.

There were a few minor niggles that needed sorting out, but nothing serious. I made a comment in my article that this was a nice kit and, at the recommended retail price, good value for money.

If you care to shop around, this kit can be found considerably cheaper than the £379.00 RRP. I know that some mail order companies are offering it for as low as £292.00. (A set of mouldings alone for a model submarine could cost around £200.00)

I do believe that this model will prove to be as successful as the earlier model submarine produced by Robbe, the Type VII.

Since building it, I have tested it out at Kearsney with limited success; this was mainly due to the fact that there is insufficient depth of water there and of course, the underwater obstructions! (no, not the cars in the lake, the rocks!)

Deeper water such as Mote Park at Maidstone was better but diving into unknown waters is not a good idea, especially as high speed is needed to get the boat underwater, the dynamic system of diving requires forward motion to force itself below the surface.

I know of one other Type XXI being built in the club, this is by Barrie Warrington, get it finished Barrie and we can sail together and perhaps simulate the only two Type XXI's to see active service during the war, and after finding out what they were capable of, we must be grateful that only those two boats became fully operational.

Alan Poole

Right

The Robbe Type XXI waiting menacingly on the surface at Kearsney!



Odds & Ends

Scanner

The 40Mhz frequency scanner has been away for repair and whilst this was being done we have had a larger more visible display panel added. The whole unit including its battery is now in a special carrying case. The scanner can detect all the 40Mhz frequencies being used and it can also give an indication as to how near to the actual frequency your crystals are. We do not have a scanner for the 27Mhz band, perhaps there is a member who could make us one!

New Shop

You will have noted in the model shop directory that **Elite Models**, formerly from Canterbury have relocated to Bybrook Barn in Ashford. You will recall that Model World pulled out from Bybrook Barn recently. It is good to see that another model shop has taken over the area, it is much easier to get to than the Canterbury location, and of course there's free parking.

As before, Elite Models have offered us **10% discount** on purchases. Production of your Cub membership card will be required to obtain this very welcome perk; another good reason to be part of the Club. The shop does carry in stock some model boat bits and pieces and they have offered to stock anything that we regularly use or need, perhaps someone might be able to make some suggestions as to what sort of things this could be.

Let us hope that we can use this facility and make the shop a success for all of us.

Walkie-Talkies

A reasonably priced pair of walkie-talkies have been obtained for the Club to aid communication between the person left loading at the store room and the guys down at waterside setting up. We can also use them to find out who needs the trolleys to get their boats down to the lake now that we cannot drive down.

Newspaper Report

Some of you might have noticed a report in the local paper about the danger caused by molehills in the Abbey grounds. Well, if molehills are a danger, what about the danger to health caused by the bird droppings in our area? Write to the Council, it's the only way to get something done.

Outing

It has been suggested that we get up a coach to visit the major model show at the NEC in Birmingham next year. Christine Wellard has kindly agreed to organise this and an expression of interest from the membership would be appreciated. If you think you might be interested, please let Christine know so that some figures can be worked out. Very roughly it should be about £22-24.00 per head, including entrance.

Model Engineering Workshops

Anyone interested in learning how to get the best from your lathe, there is an adult education course on engineering being introduced at Jemmett Road, Ashford. The course provides access to specialist machinery, including lathes, mills and grinders and expert advice to enable new skills to be acquired. The course is run by a qualified machinist, with a love of model engineering, who is very keen to develop this provision. All you need to start the course is an interest in model engineering. Some previous machining skills would be desirable but not essential.

Length; 10 weeks starting September 2005, Monday, Tuesday or Thursday evenings 5.30 to 8.30pm.

Cost £150, for further information contact Pauline Grant 01233 655514.

Race across the lake

During the September Regatta we thought that a simple model sailing boat race could be held to create a bit of interest. In the July issue of MMI, there were plans for a very simple model, a copy of the instructions can be found on the back page of this newsletter.

Have a go at building one and lets see who will be the winner, I'm sure a prize will be waiting for the first model across!



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1 Our local model shop, carries a good range of materials, paints etc. Some kits in stock but can obtain most others within a few days. Discount available on selected items.

2 General model shop but carries a good range of model boat kits and accessories. Stockist for Evergreen plastic strips as well as odd sizes of Plasticard sheets and other materials.



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Rod Shoveller
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I would be happy to include any other modelling outlets in this section, if you know of a worthy retailer in our area dealing with models, materials or any other modelling related products for sale, please let me know.

New Members;

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the following new members and wish them many hours of happy sailing with us at Kearsney Abbey.
The overall club membership currently stands at 143 members.

Mr John Smith

Mr Gary Green

Mr Vincent Wright

Mr Adrian Wood

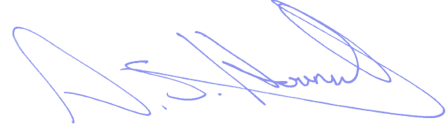
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Visit MODEL EXPO 2006 at the NEC Birmingham with the MBA Dover - Saturday 8 July 2006

The MBA Dover is organising a coach trip to this event which will give you a full day at the NEC Birmingham and includes your entrance ticket with pickups in Dover, Folkestone and Ashford.

Places are open to MBA members and family only, at this time. A non-refundable deposit of £10 for each place is required with the balance due April 2006.

For further details and to reserve your place, contact Christine Wellard;

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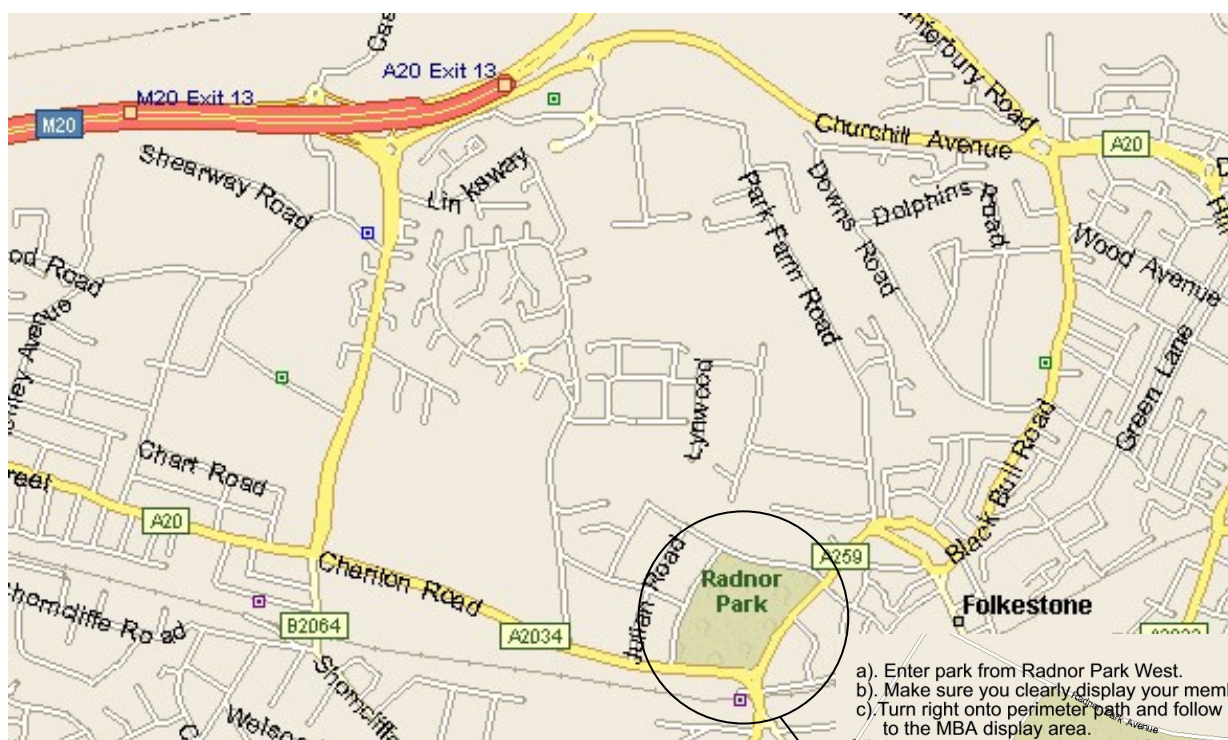
Note: The MBA Dover reserves the right to cancel if insufficient interest is shown. In which case deposits / payments will be refunded. All cheques to be made payable to "MBA

£24

per person

www.modelexpo2005.co.uk

Folkestone Lions Donkey Derby, Radnor Park, Folkestone Saturday 13 August



- Enter park from Radnor Park West.
- Make sure you clearly display your membership badge.
- Turn right onto perimeter path and follow it round the park to the MBA display area.
- Park car on the grass at rear of the display area.

The MBA Dover will be attending the above event for the first time this year to promote model boating and the MBA Dover, whilst also raising money for the club.

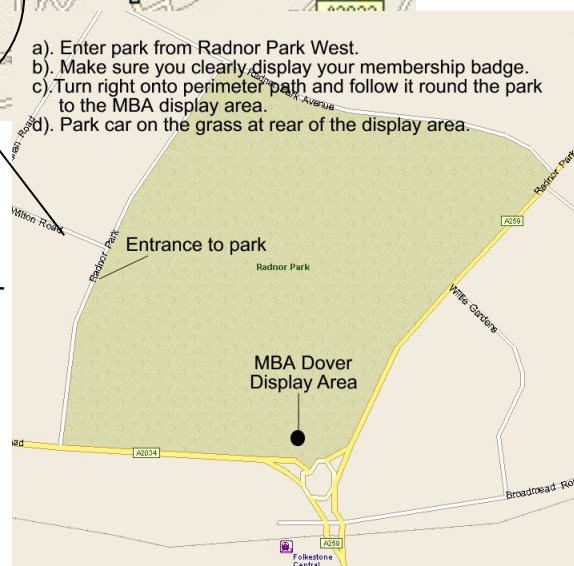
The main activity will be running the small boats for children to "have a go". Members are welcome to come along and put their boats on static display, within the compound, to make this a really good display and also visit the event.

The event starts at 7.30am with a car boot sale and then the Donkey Derby races start at 1.00pm.

Various other attractions will be at the event throughout the day including a Fun Fair and various other organisations stalls.

Members willing to help setup the small pond should meet on site at 8.00am.

If you require further information please contact Alan Hounsell - 01303 242540.



MBA Trafalgar Day Celebrations

To celebrate Trafalgar Day we plan to sail an Armada of small ships across the pond. There will be prizes for Gentleman, Ladies and Children the first ships to cross the pond.

This event will be held during the regatta to be held on September 11th 2005.

Parts List;

Hull: 1m length of foam pipe lagging for 15mm diameter pipe with a wall thickness of 9mm.

Mast: 30cm length of garden cane approximately 8mm diameter. Yard arm and bowsprit: 2 x bamboo skewers.

Rudder: 4cm x 10cm x 1mm plastic card or cardboard

Ballast Weight: 14cm of 22mm copper pipe (filled with sand)

Sail: 23cm x 15cm thin polyethylene sheet (from carrier bag or plastic table cloth).

Crowsnest: A discarded plastic bottle.

Miscellaneous Items:

1.5m of grey duck tape 5cm wide

Short length of string.

Clear Adhesive tape.



Building Instructions;

HULL

Measure 23cm of the 1m pipe lagging and cut off with a pair of scissors. Now fold both sections in half and fix with duct tape. The short section will form the forecastle (the front) and the longer section will form the aftcastle and main hull. Next place the forecastle section on top of the main hull section but overlapping 2cm and fix with duct tape. Finally, bend the rear section back on top of the hull section for 9cm to form the aftcastle.

MAST AND YARD ARM

With the 30mm length of cane measure down from the THINNEST part of the cane 6cm, and drill a 3mm hole. Push the bamboo cane yard through the 3mm hole in the mast (pointed end first) and cut off the point when in position (to prevent any accidents!). Half of the length of the yard should be

protruding each side of the mast. This yard can be fitted with an elastic band if drilling a 3mm hole in the mast proves difficult.

RUDDER

If a cardboard rudder is to be used instead of the recommended Plasticard rudder it is suggested that it is covered in duct tape to make it waterproof. The rudder is fitted by pushing it between the two sections of pipe lagging, which form the stern.

BALLAST WEIGHT

This is a most critical part as it prevents the galleon from 'falling over' due to the weight and wind force on the sail. In full sized galleons the bottom of the ship was used to store the heavy stores and ammunition, which formed the ballast. It is made by flattening one end of the copper pipe in a vice, filling this up with sand and flattening the other end in a vice.

Alternatively a pebble can be used but must be around 140 g and of a symmetrical size to prevent the galleon tilting one way.

SAILMAKING

The sail is shaped as shown and fitted to the yard with clear adhesive tape with two lengths of string fitted in the same way at the bottom of the sail (it is advisable to knot the string before taping to prevent pulling out)

FINAL ASSEMBLY

Fit the ballast weight in position with duck tape midway on the Bottom of the hull. Measure back 10cm from the top of the bow and make a small hole in the duck tape to allow the mast to push through the two sections of pipe lagging. Fix the two lengths of string from the bottom of the sail to the hull with clear adhesive tape. Fit the crows nest by making a hole in the plastic bottle top and pushing over the top of the mast until it reaches the yard. A bowsprit

at the front of the model can be added with a short section of bamboo cane pushed into the pipe lagging. Further decoration and detailing can be made with cannons, crew members etc.



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