

Ribble Model Boat Club

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HAYDOCK SHOW

Preparations are well in hand for the Haydock Show, which this year is said to be bigger and better than ever, to be held on Sat 23rd and Sun 24th August.

We will have our usual stand and setting up will be from 3pm on Friday afternoon, the stand should be up and populated by 4pm and you can come and bring a boat up to at least 7pm. If Friday is not possible you can bring your boat in early on Saturday morning before 10 am.

Gerry will be distributing the entry tickets by post or be giving some of them out on the Friday set up.

We will have a rota for hourly slots manning the stand throughout the show.

We've been challenged this year at tug football by CREWE MBC, they will have 6 mini tugs to play with, so we need at least 6 fully working Pollux "thugs" to take them on. So if bringing a Pollux please ensure it is operational and charged, there will be charging points at the show so bring a charger if possible as we are asked to perform twice daily. If you have a Pollux, but cannot be there, please consider lending it to another member to play on your behalf. Also, as we all seem to be on 27mhz can you bring along any spare/alternative crystals you may have as we will have to do a crystal chart.

POND

The pond is now clear and weed free and in very good order, so please come along for the remaining Wednesday evening sailings which have proved to be very well attended of late. Barry is arranging for the pond to be weed treated in the winter to try and avoid this years problems - which it seems were nationwide!

Next meetings - **8th Sept** will be a "BATTERIES/ELECTRICAL" night, mainly by Dave Pye, so bring along any problem batteries or electrical items / wiring for a diagnosis and possible cure.

13th October - SUBMARINES/SUBMERSIBLES. Presented mainly by our resident submariners John and Ian.

10th November - technical evening, Phil will present a session on plasticard building techniques, weathering and detailing.

8th December AGM and Book/magazine fair. Plus possibly a short presentation.

TRIPS OUT Stephen Rawcliffe will be organising a Liverpool day out sometime in early October. This will include a "ferry cross the Mersey", the space museum and the U boat exhibition and will probably be run as a "car share" day with a pick up point.

OTHER SHOWS

We have agreed as a club to show our models at the annual Leyland Model show, in the Leyland Commercial Vehicle Museum on Sunday 12th October. There will also be model railways, cars/trucks and aircraft. Tables are provided and we will decorate them with our club covers. All you need to do for free entry is to come along with a model or two. Further details nearer the time.

We have also agreed in principle, following repeated requests to attend as a club, at the now well established Ellemere Port club Spring show at the Boat Museum probably in March next year, but date to be set. Details to be advised but it will be arranged so that ONE DAY attendance is possible.

CLUB SHIRTS

There have been some requests for club Tee shirts/sweatshirts/fleeces etc and we are putting an order together. Members who require anything please order at the next meetings - type and size – price list will be available.