

# Ribble model boat club

January newsletter 2017



A Happy New year to all our members and families, your Committee have met up and produced an outline of the 2017 programme of club events which we hope will be fully supported.

## POND

The pond remains our first resource and the Winter clean up has been set for SUNDAY 15TH JANUARY, FROM 11 AM. Can as many members as possible attend and bring with them suitable tools, brushes, rakes, tote bags, cutters etc, we will have the waders to clear out any branches and cut back foliage. If the weather is extremely inclement we will rearrange this. This is also an opportunity to sail afterwards on the cleaned pond, so bring along a boat.

The Wednesday evening sailing will commence on 12 April until 6th Sept and is always well supported. Otherwise the pond is open at any time and in general for Sunday sailing around lunchtime.

## PROGRAMME Please note change of date for MARCH

The programme for 2017 has been provisionally set out as follows -

JAN - Kit bashing and modification, by Phil.

FEB 13th- Bring a Model night and Bring & Buy event.

**MAR 20th- Quiz night, a wide ranging and topical quiz with a prize.**

APR 10th - Film Night by Malcolm, subject TBA

MAY 8th- National Coastwatch Institute, history and operations , by Stephen.

JUNE 12th- BBQ and sailing night at the pond.

JULY 10th- Soldering techniques and equipment, by Dave Wooley

AUG 14th- Pond night sailing

SEPT 11th- Electronics workshop & clinic - Dave & Gerry

OCT 9th- Pot Pourri subject , by Roger

NOV 13th- The wreck and salvage of the Ro Ro Riverdance , by Phil.

DEC 11th- AGM , hot pot supper & magazine swap night.

Please note these dates and topics in your diaries/calendars.

## SHOWS

We will be attending the usual shows this year and details will be advised in advance, the dates known so far are:-

Ellesmere Show - 4 - 5th march

Haydock Show - 26-27th Aug

NW Ship show - Sat 30th sept

Blackpool show - 21-22 Oct

The Annual Fun Day/Regatta will again be held at Brockholes on SUNDAY 21 MAY , usual procedures will apply, neighbouring clubs will be invited.

## TRIPS/EVENTS.

Stephen is still investigating a Manchester Ship Canal Cruise on the Mersey ferry, possibly the Tyrers coach trip, but if not a club car share to Seacombe for parking, with included transport back will be possible.

We will be looking at interested members going to the highly commended Freidrichshaven Model Extravaganza in November, flying from Manchester with Lufthansa and staying in the IBIS at Friedrichshaven, duration, prices, etc will be advised as soon as possible and expressions of interest invited. It will probably be on an individual booking basis unless advantageous group terms can be obtained.