



British Military Powerboat Trust

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This year seems to have flown by, and what summer we have had has been used whenever we have been able, to offer trips on ST1502.

We started the year with Ark Royal sans working engine and gearbox, and all our plans to replace these with a similar P6 went up in flames, at the Hythe boatyard.

However, as a result of some hefty fund raising appeals, we managed to raise sufficient in the way of funding, to go ahead with our plan B.

Our sponsors were

Hampshire County Council.

The John W Mackay Trust.

The Gannett Foundation (The Daily Echo)

We were also very well supported by our membership, who kindly donated toward the project. Thank you.

This allowed us to start the ball rolling and order the new engine and gearbox from Perkins.

Whilst waiting for the outcome of the grant appeals, we arranged for the boat to be housed in the old RAF Hythe yard, where we were able to start the removal process of the Perkins P6 with gearbox.

This has been stored in the facility we have been given at the Brockenhurst College at Hardley.

We arranged for a number of quotes from boatyards, to enter into an arrangement to do the whole job of fitting the new engine and electrics.

This seemed the best way forward, as our own resources were inadequate to tackle this ourselves, and we chose the facility at The Agamemnon Boat yard in Bucklers Hard.

The boat was moved there on her trailer, and is in the process of having the work done, as this is being written.

From there she will hopefully go to the Hythe boatyard, where all the cosmetic work can be completed over the winter months.

ST1502 has been working hard this summer doing a number of trips for members, and also for the scattering of ashes.

We have had a few problems with the gearboxes, and one is in repair at this time. She does need some TLC, and it is hoped to attend to this over the winter months.



**A DAY TRIP to YARMOUTH on 1502 – SEA PLANE TENDER
28th August 2008**

10 members assembled at Marchwood at 0915hours to board 1502 for a day trip to Yarmouth. Once attired in lifejackets, we slipped our mooring at 10.07. The weather forecast was force 4 South Westerly, visibility moderate to good.

Four ladies and six men formed the crew as we motored at 10½knots just outside the main buoyed channel of the shipping lane. Two of the ladies were brave enough to take the helm steering towards Calshot Spit, where we altered course westwards towards Yarmouth. Fred and Betty Gale produced mugs of coffee for the crew, never the easiest of tasks underway.

Interim course changes of 239° and 248° fetched us up to a position abeam of Yarmouth Harbour entrance 1hour 35minutes after departure. With fair seas and time to spare we decided to continue to the Needles Lighthouse just past Hurst Castle opposite. Photographs completed, a U turn opposite the lighthouse took us back to Yarmouth. Ferries crossing between Lyminster and Yarmouth make both entrances easy to identify.

The Harbour Master guided us to a pontoon with no pedestrian shore access, so the Harbour Taxi ferried us ashore where a search for food commenced. Salties Restaurant near the Ferry Terminal provided a table for 10 and soon had us tucking into cod and chips, washed down with beers and ciders. A sign on the wall stated 'There are no rooms here for sailors bringing in ladies of ill repute', so our contingent were relieved to be allowed entry !

En route homewards different crew members took turns at steering. At one point careful judgement was required plotting an avoidance route from a large container ship. Small boats are required to maintain a 1000yards clear zone between themselves and large craft entering or leaving port. The Harbour Master launch usually chases away errant sailors with a reprimand or polite warning.

With fair weather we enjoyed a smooth ride except when crossing the wakes of a few fast power boats.. One and a half hours from Yarmouth saw us re-berthed at our home in Marchwood Port, after an uneventful but satisfying trip.

Groups of eight can enjoy similar trips as Members privilege. Just register your interest with our Secretary. A contribution of £10-£15 in our Charity box is appreciated towards fuel and berthing costs. Food is available in most harbours or alternatively you can bring sandwiches.

The experience may enthuse you to become a regular volunteer crewmember, a sociable pastime for the newly retired. Novices and experienced seamen are equally welcome aboard.

Remember it is your Trust who need and welcome as much assistance as all can provide for its future success.

David Ross



Our Membership Secretary reports that the Trust has been able to keep its number at 135 this year.

It is very gratifying to have a membership who continue to stand by the Trust whilst we do our best to keep things going, and our grateful thanks to you all for your kind, much needed support.

However we do need to bring in some new and younger blood to the Trust, if we are to continue operating on an active basis. Time surely does take its toll, as some of our regular workers find it difficult to continue with the practical tasks involved in keeping the boats going.

We have renewed our lease with the Marchwood Military Port, and this will see us through to March 2010.

We intend to go through our stores containers at Marchwood, as all the contents have been there 3 years, and we consider that if we haven't used them by now, we probably don't need them.

Two of our members have kindly accepted the challenge of sorting, photographing, and then selling on ebay, anything which we will no longer be able to use.

We also realise, however, that we will need to start considering the options open to us, when the time comes to move again.

We need a plan in place well before that time comes, to avoid last minute arrangements which may jeopardise the future of the boats.

Our active members are also slowly "going into retirement", which causes us to worry about how we will manage the running of the boats in the year to come.

If any members have any suggestions in this regard, we would be grateful to receive these.

The AGM takes place at the Waterside Sports Club in Holbury, at 1130 on Sunday 23rd November 2008.

We enclose the relevant calling paperwork for this meeting.

As we will be considering our Trust's future, could we respectfully ask for your written comments, or your presence at the AGM, either of which would be very much appreciated.

Our annual Xmas Lunch will be at the Waterside Sports Club, on 20th December 2008, at 1300.

All members are cordially invited, and a menu is with the news letter.

Please be in touch with Clive Frampton, 023 8089 7198, to book your place at the table.



The British Military Powerboat Trust Ltd.
The Fourth Annual General Meeting.
To be held on Sunday 23rd November 2008.
Waterside Sports Centre.
Time 1100.

Proposed AGENDA.

1. Members present.
2. Apologies.
3. Minutes of 2007 AGM tabled.
4. Matters arising.
5. Directors report.
6. Treasurers report.
7. Appointment of Auditors.
Nominated : Roger Smallman and Co.
8. Election of Officers.
The Board is presently constituted as follows:
Major The Hon Peter Baillie. Director. (Standing down, available for re-
election)
Mr Terry Ford. Director. (Standing down but available for re-
election)
Mr David Ross. Director.
Mr Tony Alston. Director.
Mr Richard Hellyer. Director.
Mr . Tony Alston. Membership Secretary.
Mr Terry Ford. Treasurer.
Mr Richard Hellyer. Secretary
9. The future of the Trust.
10. Any other Business. Any matters arising under this heading are not binding on the Board.

Notes.

1. The way to the meeting place is on the reverse of Xmas lunch menu.
2. We request that you indicate to the Secretary (023 8089 0900) your intention to attend the AGM, in order that we arrange the correct size meeting room as well as for catering purposes.
3. If you are on the internet, please respond by email to Pathfinder@safemariner.co.uk attention Richard Hellyer. Your email address will be used for future newsletters in order to save both paper and postage.
4. Any item required to appear on the Agenda should be with the Secretary by 13th November 2008.
5. Nominations for Officers will be welcome, and all nominations should be with the Secretary by 13th November 2008, and must include the signed agreement of the nominee.

By order of the Board.

Richard Hellyer. Secretary
22 The Warren, Holbury, Southampton. SO45 2QB. 023 8089 0900

Extract from the Accounts for the year 1st April 2007 to 31st March 2008.

The full Accounts will be available at the meeting on 23rd November, 2008.

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Income and expenditure account
for the year ended 31 March 2008

	2008	2007
	£	£
Turnover	2,116	3,009
Administrative expenses	<u>(3,995)</u>	<u>(4,280)</u>
Deficit on ordinary activities before taxation	(1,879)	(1,271)
Tax on deficit on ordinary activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Deficit for the year	(1,879)	(1,271)
Retained surplus brought forward	<u>7,302</u>	<u>8,573</u>
Surplus carried forward	<u><u>5,423</u></u>	<u><u>7,302</u></u>

Accounts prepared by:

Roger Smallman & Co. Ltd.
30A Bedford Place
Southampton
Hampshire. SO15 2DG

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Balance sheet
as at 31 March 2008

	2008	2007		
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets				
Tangible assets	3,960			4,470
Current assets				
Debtors	24	766		
Cash at bank and in hand	5,349	4,250		
	<u>5,373</u>	<u>5,016</u>		
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	<u>(515)</u>	<u>(744)</u>		
Net current assets	<u>4,858</u>	<u>4,272</u>		
Total assets less current liabilities	8,818	8,742		
Net assets	<u>8,818</u>	<u>8,742</u>		
Reserves				
Other reserves	3,395	1,440		
Income and Expenditure account	5,423	7,302		
Members' funds	<u>8,818</u>	<u>8,742</u>		

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Detailed income and expenditure account
for the year ended 31 March 2008

	2008	£	2007	£
Income				
Donations		166		888
Membership		1,644		2,121
Rent received		306		-
		2,116		3,009
Administrative expenses				
Insurance	909		882	
Boat repairs	36		785	
Printing, postage and stationery	300		228	
Event costs	680		22	
Fuel	-		106	
Boat transport	-		50	
Licences	105		279	
Accountancy	500		500	
Bank charges	70		71	
Administration costs	15		47	
Depreciation	1,380		1,310	
		3,995		4,280
Operating deficit	89%	(1,879)	42%	(1,271)

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Notes to the financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2008

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	Income & Expenditure account	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
At 1 April 2007	7,302	3,395	10,697
Deficit for the year	(1,879)		(1,879)
At 31 March 2008	<u>5,423</u>	<u>3,395</u>	<u>8,818</u>

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Every member of the company undertakes to contribute such amount as may be required (not to exceed £1) to the company's assets if it should be wound up while he is a member or within one year after he ceases to be a member, for payment of the company's debts and liabilities contracted before he ceases to be a member, and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among themselves.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH MENU

To Be Held 20th December 2008

At

Waterside Sports & Social Club, Holbury

STARTERS - PLEASE CHOOSE ONE

CHICKEN LIVER PATE
SERVED WITH BROWN TOAST

OR

ROASTED WINTER VEGETABLE SOUP
SERVED WITH ROLL & BUTTER

MAIN COURSE

ROAST TURKEY WITH PIGS IN BLANKETS
STUFFING
ROAST POTATOES
SEASONAL VEGETABLES

DESSERTS - PLEASE CHOOSE ONE

CHRISTMAS PUDDING
SERVED WITH BRANDY SAUCE OR CUSTARD

OR

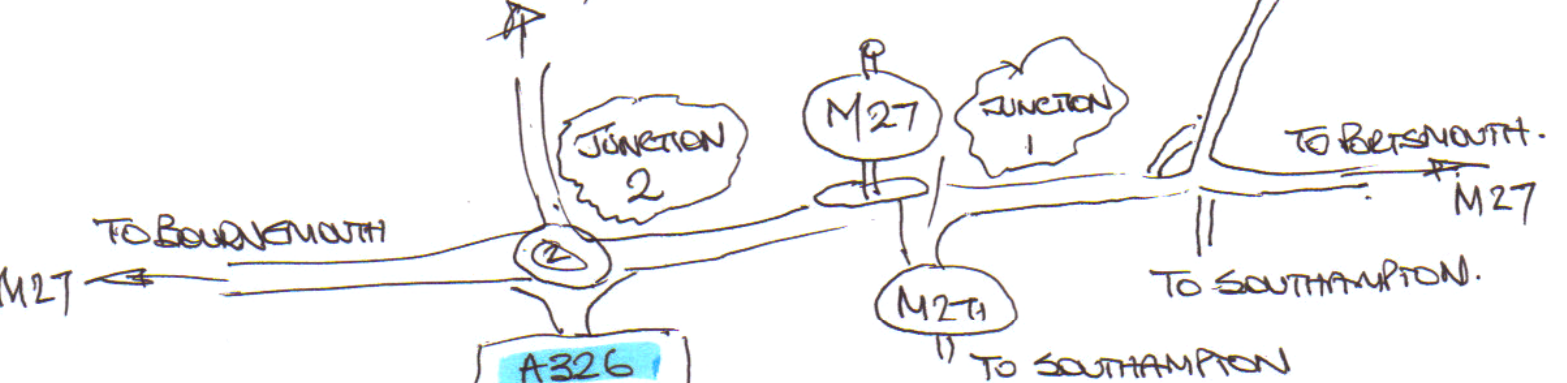
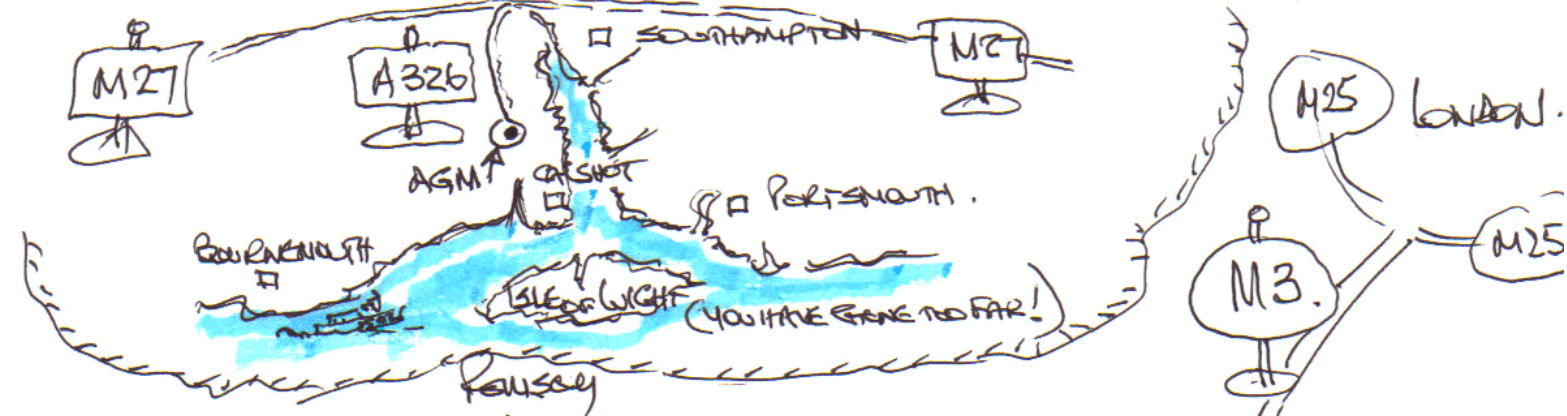
HOME MADE SHERRY TRIFLE

COFFEE AND MINTS

Above is the menu for Christmas Lunch – not the AGM.

The AGM is being held on the 23rd November and roast lunches will be available (either Beef or Pork) at a cost of under £7.00. There will also be a bar available.

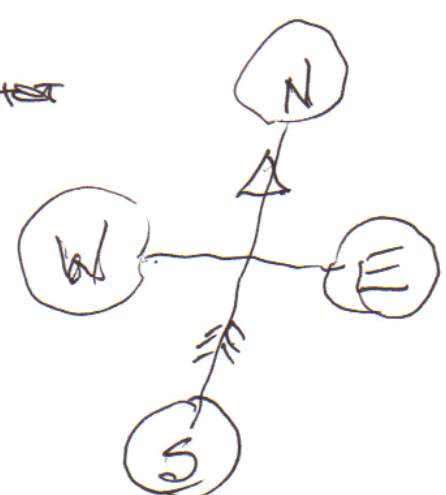
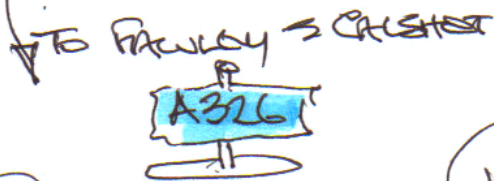
In order that we can confirm the catering arrangements for **BOTH** these events will you please, please ring Rhona or Clive on 023 8089 7198 and let us know how many are attending. If Rhona or Clive are out please leave a message on their answerphone giving your number and one of them will ring you when they return home. It is imperative that you book your meal in order that the facility caterers can accommodate your requirement.



A NUMBER OF ROUNDABOUTS (QUITE A LONG WAY)
 DIBDEN REVIEW ROUNDABOUTS (NEARBY THESE)
 HARDLEY ROUNDABOUT (LAST ONE)
 "FRESH HONE" ROB.



ABOUT 1 MILE FROM THE HARDLEY ROUNDABOUT.
 PASS HARDLEY SCHOOL ON YOUR RIGHT
 TURN RIGHT INTO THE
WATKINSIDE SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB



BMP LTD. AGM MAP
 SUNDAY 9.30 NOVEMBER
 11.30

LOST IN THE JAM? PHONE 07710 367817