

THE BINNACLE

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Victoria Model Shipbuilding Society
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Next Meeting: Thursday June 12 1997
7:30 PM Royal Oak Lions Hall

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Ray Bethell
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UPCOMING EVENTS IN 1997

Every Sunday	Harrison Model Yacht Pond	10:30 - 1:30
Sundays 1 st & 3 rd	Sailing - Beaver Lake	10:30 - 3:00
May 17, 18, 19	Maple Bay Marina Show	
June 12	Regular Meeting	7:30 pm
July 6 or 13	Strawberry festival Beaver Lake	
July 10	Regular Meeting	7:30 pm

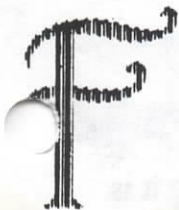
Welcome New Member!

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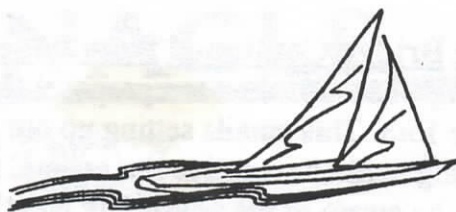
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Welcome to the Star Fleet Peter!

VICTORIA MODEL SHIPBUILDING SOCIETY



rom The Bridge



Well our Hillside Show was a success! A good turn out by members, several in club shirts, intrigued and interested public, and happy children racing the paddle boats. I was pleased to see many members talking with curious observers, often outside our fencing. Mall management and staff enjoyed having us, as did "Purdy's" I'm sure who sold us the prizes for the five races. (Thanks to the other four members who paid for the ice cream cones). Thanks to all who helped set up and take down. The latter had the only real snag. Our new, larger pool (thanks to Doug, Don and Bill Birch) has much more volume to empty. Combined with the 150ft. hose distance it took two pumps and Lois' bucket brigade 1 1/2 hours to finish the job. At time of writing this remains a problem in search of solution. But all present, even those waiting till the end of Sunday night, agreed that we should return next year. We sold one new membership, possibly another, and gave out many brochures to serious questioners. Contrasted with what I have heard about the Annual Hobby Show at Juan de Fuca Rec. Ctr. this year, Hillside was much more beneficial to us. We made the right choice.

Dues! At the April meeting our Treasurer Paul painted a stark and stunning picture of our finances. This state is largely the result of late payment of dues. In previous years a sharp reminder appeared here the first three months of the year. Also I and my predecessors vocally reminded each meeting. I take responsibility for these things not happening in 1997. BUT... for those long-time members who are tardy in paying do you need such a notice? Just a thought. We have a number of events lined up. The first is the maple Bay marina on the Vic-

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toria day long weekend. Next is a proposal from the Maritime Museum for Father's Day on June 15th. This entails setting up our pool in Bastion Square for the day. At time of writing neither executive nor general membership have discussed it but it is important to be aware of the possibility. Next is the annual Strawberry Festival on July 13 at Beaver Lake, where we are a very popular attraction (as are the free strawberries for us!). Then we can assume that the Burnaby Club (B.A.M.M.) will hold their annual regatta at Central Park Lake on the second Sunday of August. Worth the crossing and we've always participated. Beyond these are the Fungattas which members voted for at the April meeting. I have already been asked when the naval one is happening and who is in charge! Whoa! Your executive couldn't do any thing before the vote and we haven't met since. The May meeting will hammer a lot of this out. Unfortunately, we will miss Battle of the Atlantic Sunday. See you in the meetings and at waterside this summer. And more boats too! **Ron Armstrong**

What do you want do see?

As you may or may not already know my husband is sailing with the HMCS Protecteur. And I takeover the newsletter when he is absent. Articles are pretty scarce lately, so please help to make this newsletter a good read either call, email, write, drop off any articles that you may have. The Binnacle is YOUR newsletter. This publication is only as good as the submissions members like you provide. If you have any comments about the Binnacle, whether it be about content, style, or any other part of it, please don't hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at 386-6967 or e-mail me at davewin@clo.com. Your submissions are always welcome and will ALWAYS be in the next issue.

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