The Binnacle

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Next Meeting December 14th, 1995 - 7:30 p.m. Christmas Social - Westwind Motor Inn, Langford

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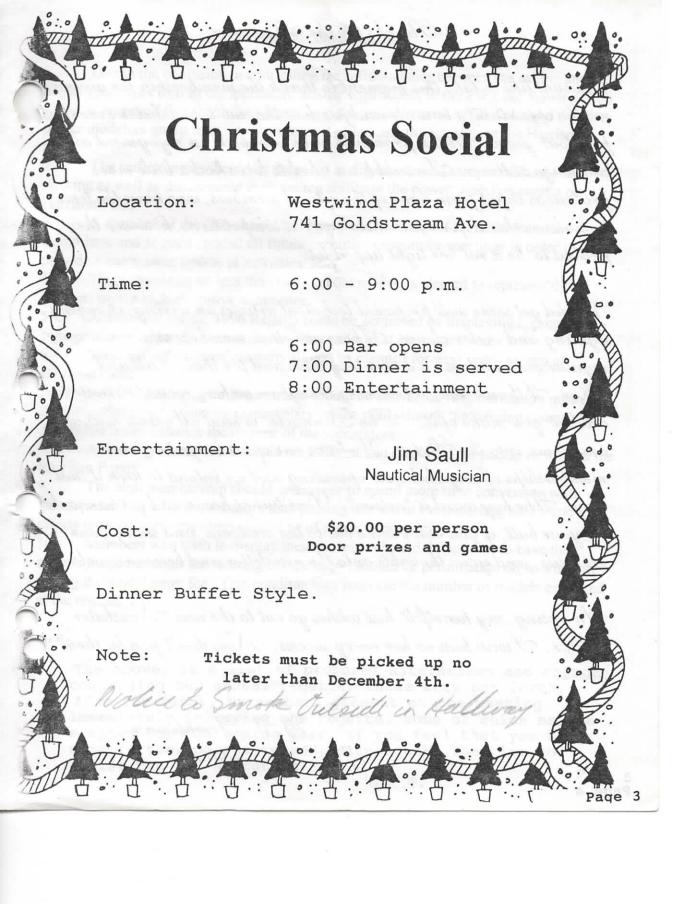
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UPCOMING EVENTS

December 14th, 1995
V.M.S.S. Christmas Social
Westwind Motor Inn
741 Goldstream Avenue.
Langford B.C.

Watch for Fall Sailing Program
Elk Lake
Times and details later.

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Thanks for the Memories

I would like to take this moment to thank the membership for giving me the opportunity to write and produce the club's newsletter over the past four years. It has proven to have been both an enjoyment and a challenge at times. I would have liked to have had a little more gratuitous input from some of the retired members, who have the time to make weekend forays to their various competitions, however they proved to be a rat her tight lipped lot.

We did get some well prepared technical articles on wiring, charging, lighting and motor choice. There are other members who were regular contributors on a monthly basis and for that, Bill and Ken, I thank you. Seriously though, members, your Newsletter is what you make of it. "The Binnacle" is read all across Canada and down into the States. We have one of the largest active memberships of any club now operating and we intend to keep it that way. The key word is "active". Don't sit at home and get barnacles on your butt, if you can't come out to the meetings, and share your expertise, send your thoughts onto the newsletter and become involved.

In closing, my heartfelt best wishes go out to the new Newsletter Editor. I wish him or her every success. Now don't you let them down.

G.W.Templeman editor.

Regatta Recommendations

- Due to the confusion in controlling radio frequencies between the sailing and power groups, as well as complications arising with access to the Elk Lake Rowing Club site, it is proposed that the sailing group hold a separate regatta at Elk Lake and that the power modelers group look into the prospect of holding their regatta at the Harrison Pond.
- The sailing group should be prepared to display several sample sailboats for viewing as well as demonstrate their sailing ability at the power modelers regatta on Harrison Pond.
- A member of the club should be appointed Chairman of the 1996 Regatta Committee and as such, attend all future executive committee meetings in order to provide a continuous update of activities.
- There should be no less than two sailboat modelers elected to represent their interests on the club executive committee.
- Advertising for the 1996 Regatta could be achieved by displaying appropriate signage at all Sunday & Wednesday evening sailings at Harrison Pond.
- Some sort of children's activity should be planned for next year's regatta at Harrison Pond.
- All power steering course entrants should be canvassed for information regarding T7. their models so that a running commentary can be made during the steering course trials in order to better enhance the interest of the specatators.
- A steering course chart should be prepared and displayed for public viewing at the Harrison Pond.
- The club membership should endeavour to spend more time conversing with hose specatators who show a more than passing interest in the modeling hobby and efforts to recruit new members should be of prime importance.
- Members who wish to display their models only and do not care to have their models judged or enter the steering competition, should be permitted to do so without paying the model entry fee. This conditon may increase the number of models exhibited at the regatta.

The above, is a list of proposed alterations and changes concerning our annual regatta, these were put forth, from the floor, by members present at the meeting immediately following the regatta, some of which may be adapted for the coming year. If you feel that you have some further points to add, please take the time to advise the new executive. Page 5

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