

Pirate News

July 2017

2017 Regatta

Once again Mother Nature conspired to try and disrupt our regatta by raining on the event. She didn't count on the resilience of this punch of pirates and in spite of her best efforts the day was a huge success. Over 20 pirates took part and we were joined by a couple of friends from the Hinckley and Bosworth Club. Prior to the weather deteriorating we also had a fair number of members of the public come along to watch the spectacle. With Phil Button unable to attend we were hopeful of an incident free day but dear old Simon Blackburn stepped into Phil's shoes and proceeded to demolish one of the light buoys.

Thanks have to go to Eddie Crawford and Dave Hurst for donating their gazebos to the club. A portfolio of Ian Richardson's photos (which are well worth a look) have been posted on the website.

<http://www.alvastonpiratesmodelboatclub.co.uk/page/regatta2017.html>

2017 Park Fun Day

Our next big event Pirates is the Alvaston Park Fun Day on Sunday 30th of July from 12 till 4pm. This is the parks showcase event and attracts crowds in excess of 5000. We'll be putting on a sailing demonstration and operating our fun boats for the kids and as such will be looking for a good turnout of Pirates. We'll provide more detail the week before the event but please make sure you've got it in your diaries. Due to the inclement weather on regatta day we did not put on sale the items of bric-a-brac we have accumulated over the past 12 months. Weather permitting we will have them on sale at the Fun Day.

Club Rules Infractions

The club over the 4 years of its existence has developed a set of clear rules aimed at ensuring members personal safety and the safety of their models. It would appear that certain of our members have either never read the rules or are blatantly and repeatedly ignoring them. When members join the club they sign to say that they have read and will abide by these rules. The clubs constitution gives the committee the authority to take disciplinary action against any member who breaks the rules. We have never exercised this right but unless members cease from rule infractions we will be forced to take disciplinary action against offenders. If you are in doubt the rules are published on our website <http://www.alvastonpiratesmodelboatclub.co.uk/rules.html> and we would recommend all members to refresh their memories by having a read.