

Minutes club evening 11th. March.

Mike Grossmith as Chairman in the absence of Clive Reynolds.

Minutes of the last meeting were read out and approved by Malcolm Beak and seconded by Ian Ferguson.

The club outing to the Gloucester Warwickshire Steam Railway has proved more expensive than expected. Cost is now £42.00 with a £10 deposit wanted.

Easter Egg regatta is Sunday 12th. April, we have a course and start at 10 a.m. Suggested that members get there early due to pressure on parking. Easter eggs for all entrants.

Next month is the AGM and there are nominations needed for Secretary and Chairman, there are 3 nominations for the sitting committee members, Roger, Den and Rob. 1 nomination for Secretary, Mike Collins and 1 nomination for Chairman, Roy Verden. Spare nomination forms on the table.

Chris Scivyer gave us an update on the first G1 railway proposal and explained there would be a smaller starter track and expand later as required.

Attendance at Redbourn was discussed and this year due to change of date may only be an exhibit. However Terry put forward a proposal that will be discussed in committee to see if there is enough support.

Oaklands is on the 30/31st. May and we can probably manage without using the lorry.

Hats and other clothes with club logo can be ordered via Jack.

Main speaker for the evening is Jeff Carter and he showed us his start up and current progress on his Shannon lifeboat with much discussion around the waterjet drive units.

We had a biscuit break and resumed with Jeff talking about the Trumpeter plastic kit of USS Arizona battleship. He discussed additional after kit items available and the propulsion using 4 motors and method of control. Jeff showed how the fitting out was being done and the way the hull separated, but will later be glued together.

Jeff answered many questions and the talk was most interesting.

The last 15 minutes was taken with Roy discussing 'Plaudit', the 'unloved' boat he took back after the club exhibition 3 years ago. It was given some TLC and the drive motor replaced and demonstrated with working RC.

All was well received and stand-in Chairman Mike Grossmith thanked the speakers for the evening and the meeting closed at 10:30p.m.

