



The Model Steamer Club

Sailing every Saturday at Rouken Glen Pond

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Newsletter

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Accommodation.

We have submitted an application for a Community Grant to East Renfrewshire Council for the full cost of a new repositionable building, and included a letter of support from "The Friends of Rouken Glen".

The Grant will not be considered until the September series of Council Meetings, so we have a little time to wait.

We have also sought support from the local M.P.; M.S P. and all East Renfrewshire Councillors, and have already had a promises of support. We will shortly discuss our proposals with the Planning Dept., but will not make a formal application until the financial position is clearer.

The Sketch show the proposed building type with it's location.

Weed

Despite the ongoing efforts by the Council, the weed has returned with a vengeance this year, and has gained the upper hand, drastically restricting sailing, especially as we have no rescue facility. Part of the Lottery Funding Grant was to investigate the various proposals made originally. Examination of the water supply and quality has been completed, and it has been established that the water supply is not sufficient to change over the water in the pond, and that pollutants have built up in the water. This all creates an environment for enormous weed growth. Works are to be planned to rectify the water supply and bring the growth under control. Until the Heritage funded remedial work is carried out, we will have to endure this excessive weed growth during the summer.

Club Shows

Because of the weed it has been necessary to cancel "Clyde Steamer Day", but the Darlington & District Model Boat Club have their 5th "Paddler Day" on the 4th Sept (10.00 to 18.00) for those anxious to sail their paddlers.

It has been suggested that to remind Scottish modellers that the Club is still around, that we should attend the Summerlee Show in October. The Club has previously acquitted itself well at some static Shows, and the Committee would like to hear your views on us attending. The Summerlee Museum is well worth a visit, and there is also the opportunity to have a sail. Three good reasons to go?

Please contact any Committee member with your thoughts on attending and what we should do there.

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