

The Model Steamer Club

Sailing every Saturday at Rouken Glen Pond

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Rouken Glen Pond

Andrew and Tom had a meeting with the ERC staff responsible for the Lottery Heritage Fund Grant for the Park on the 12th June when the progress with the proposals for the Pond remedial works was fully discussed. We received a copy of the report on the ongoing survey regarding the pond water quality and the proposed measures to improve it.

This is large and detailed and Andrew is preparing to write a full report on the proposals for your information. While there are many differing measures approved or still under consideration, it would appear that the solution will be greater than the sum of the parts.

In fact, it seems that our long period of disruption due to weed is about to come to an end!

It will be a slow gradual process as the various measures are implemented in accordance with the seasonal constraints, and may take up to five years for the full effects to be achieved. However we are now confident that this will be a solution.

In fact the first of the treatments has been carried out, and if you visit the Pond you will see that the water has a blue tinge to it. This is a dye to limit the sunlight reaching the weed and reducing its growth.

Armed Forces Day

Unfortunately the recent spell of warm summer weather has boosted the growth of the existing weed to the extent that while some sailing, with a high risk of weed obstruction is just possible, by next week-end it is highly likely that despite removal of weed in the area adjacent to the jetty the pond will be unsuitable for any sort of Display.

The Committee have therefore decided to cancel this event.

Please advise any members of other Clubs who might have joined us. Hopefully, with the proposals for remedial works this may be the last cancellation.

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