

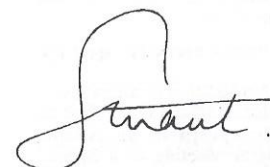
**CIVIL ENGINEER'S CLUB
NEWSLETTER**

SUMMER 1991

Letter from our Chairman

Robin Wilson is a hard act to follow with his enthusiasm and energy but change had to come with his presidency looming. Under these circumstances I am delighted to be taking up the reins as Chairman and will do my best to support the Civil Engineers' Club and advance its reputation. Everything depends upon the commitment of the Committee and the membership and it is especially encouraging to know that in both areas are keen people who have already done so much to make Club activities a success. Here's hoping that 1991 will see further growth in Club activities and membership.

As to personal details I'm an outdoor person who loves mountain walking, skiing and swimming whilst being very involved in church and social work. In career terms of course I spent a long time in local government having been City Engineer & Surveyor of Stoke-on-Trent and County Surveyor, West Midlands C.C. During the last five years I've been self-employed including consultancy on highway maintenance to the Audit Commission and as a Director of W.S. Atkims (Midlands).



Stuart N. Mustow
Chairman



THE CIVIL ENGINEERS' CLUB

• RULES •

1. The name of the Club shall be 'THE CIVIL ENGINEERS' CLUB'.

OBJECTS

2. The objects of the Club shall be:-

- (i) to promote social and sporting activities amongst civil engineers and their families.
- (ii) to give retired Members of the Institution the opportunity for maintaining friendships established during their professional life
- (iii) to enhance the image of the Civil Engineer through the organization of major events.

ADMISSION AND ELECTION OF MEMBERS

3. All grades of Members of the Institution of Civil Engineers and staff shall be eligible as Members of the Club and such other persons of like professional interests whom the Committee may deem suitable. The Committee may invite other suitable persons to be Honorary members without payment of a Subscription.

4. All candidates for election shall complete an appropriate application form which shall be submitted to the Secretary. The election of members shall be at the discretion of the Committee.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

5. The annual subscription shall be fixed by the Committee and shall be payable on 1 January each year. The annual subscription of Members who are members of the Institution may be paid with their subscription to the Institution.

6. Any Member whose annual subscription is 2 years in arrears

shall cease to be a Member of the Club.

OFFICE BEARERS

7. The Office Bearers of the Club shall be:-
Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer.

8. The Officers of the Club shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting of the Club. The Chairman shall not hold office for more than 3 years.

THE COMMITTEE

9. The Committee which shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting of the Club shall consist of the Officers of the Club and a representative of each section established by the Committee to promote an interest of Members or to organize social events and visits in a particular area. In addition there may be up to 6 Ordinary Members, (two of whom shall retire annually and shall not be eligible for re-election until the lapse of 12 months).

10. The Director Institution Affairs of the Institution and the Institution Editor of the NCE shall be 3 Members of the Committee ex officio.

11. The Committee shall have the management of all matters connected with the Club and shall have the power to co-opt and appoint sub Committees. The Chairman shall be entitled to a casting of vote.

12. The Committee may fill any casual vacancy amongst the elected members by co-option: the person appointed shall hold office for a period not exceeding the period of office of the Committee Member he replaces.

13. Five members of the Committee shall form a quorum at any meeting.

MEETINGS

14. There shall be an Annual General Meeting of the Club in January of each year, notice of which shall be published in the New Civil Engineer. The Chairman shall when present take the Chair at the Annual General Meeting at which the Committee shall submit a report, together with duly audited accounts. No proxies shall be allowed.

15. Special Meetings may be called by Circular to all Members by the Committee or on a requisition signed by 10 or more members on notice of 30 days. Such notice shall specify the Business to be brought before the meeting and no business except that which is notified shall be transacted at such meeting. No proxies shall be allowed at any special meeting of the Club.

ALTERATION OF RULES

16. No addition or alteration to the Rules of the Club shall be made except at an Annual General Meeting or a Special Meeting and not unless Notice of Motion shall have been published in the New Civil Engineer.

TRUSTEES

17. The Institution of Civil Engineers, acting through its Council, shall be Trustees of the Club in whom shall be vested all the property of the Club.

18. The Trustees shall out of the property of the Club, be indemnified against all liabilities but subject to this right of indemnity, the property of the Club shall be controlled by the Committee who shall decide all investment of funds and the sale and transfer of securities.

THE CIVIL ENGINEERS' CLUB OF THE INSTITUTION OF CIVIL ENGINEERS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

It has become a tradition that our Chairman at the time of his election is one of the Vice Presidents of the Institution.

At the AGM this year on Tuesday 22nd January, Stuart Mustow was unanimously elected Chairman. He is more than welcome and we are delighted that he is willing to serve in that capacity.

We also welcome new members on the Committee:

Peter Richardson - Bridge Section
C.M. Bolt - Northern Counties Seniors
Michael McCraw
Santo S. Mann

We wish them all well.

It has also become a tradition that our AGM coincides with the Council Meeting in January each year. The lecture given at this meeting is alternately the Vernon Harcourt and the Dugeld Clerk lectures. This year it was a Dugeld Clerk lecture given by Prof. T.M. Ridley on light railways. It was so well attended that many members failed to obtain a seat.

At this meeting the Council Dining Society invite members of the C.E.C. Committee and their wives who attend the lecture to the dinner after the Meeting.

All in all a great occasion each year.

Archie Shaw.

SENIORS SECTION GUIDELINES

1. Seniors Section of the Club provide for the Club members who are retired or approaching retirement who wish to make greater use of their ability to attend day-time meetings and occasions and members' spouses are welcome on an equal basis.
2. A Seniors programme of events is arranged annually within each Local Association area. The activities of each Seniors Section are co-ordinated by a local Committee comprising a Chairman and a number of District Representatives. The Chairman is ex officio, a member of the Club Committee and is responsible for all local arrangements and liaison with the Local Association.
3. Members pay an annual subscription to the Club (currently £6.00 per annum) and their share of the cost of each function they attend: there is no 'local' subscription. The Club will make an annual grant to each Seniors Section to cover its general running costs not recovered in the charge it makes to members for each function.
4. The Seniors programme of events is published in the Club Newsletter sent to all members in March and October together with reports of events which have taken place.
5. There is no age limit to be on the mailing list for Seniors Section activities: any member of the Club may attend a function. Indeed any member of the Institution will be welcome in the anticipation that he or she might become a Club Member.

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THE CIVIL ENGINEERS' CLUB NORTHERN COUNTIES SENIORS

C.M. Bolt reports:

If the gradual increase in applications from members wishing to attend visits is any indication, then this Group is very much alive and well. There has been a slow but steady rise in membership, which now numbers forty three, and that trend is expected to continue. A few other like-minded people who have retired from associated branches of engineering have expressed interest in joining us, including northern structural engineers, so perhaps we are actually doing something right!

Since viewing the exceptionally high standard of building construction achieved at the new Law-Courts on the Quayside at Newcastle, the Group has had a guided tour of the Roman base at Corbridge together with Northumbrian Water Group's pumping station at Riding Mill, the nation's largest; and we have been enthralled by a J.B. Priestley play at the Newcastle Theatre Royal. We have also walked half way across ScotRail's century-old Forth Bridge, accompanied by quite a few wives, so there has been no shortage of stirring activities.

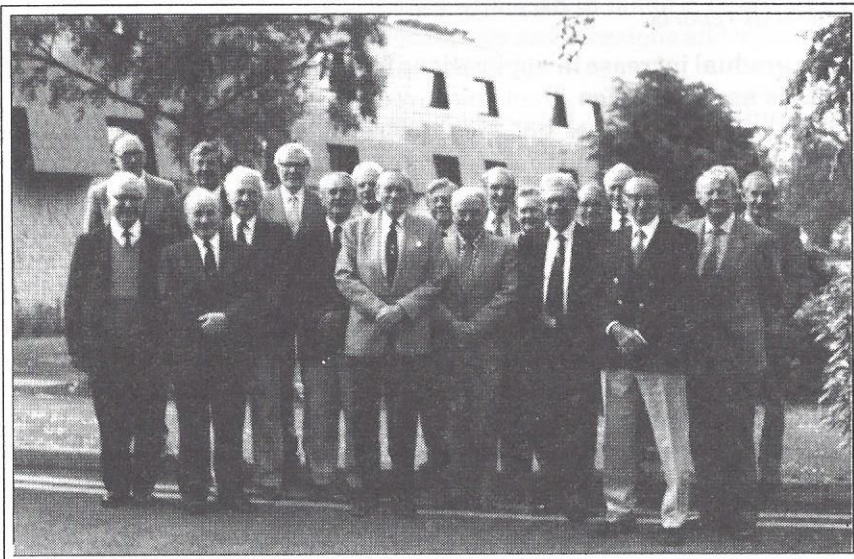
Our Senior Group has been steadily gathering support, to the point that I think we can now say we are, in Tynside parlance, launched and fitting out. With peace descending on the Gulf, Seniors Group members will no doubt be in a progressive mood, ready to take out their diaries and do some positive, forward planning.

After entertaining ourselves and our wives with a potpourri of well-illustrated talks on management-cum-planning, Roman engineering, a full spectrum of bridges, site calamities, and Hadrianesque archaeology at Penrith in November, some stalwart early birds ventured out to watch the highly efficient removal of one of the Bailey bridges at the National Garden Festival site by Monk at Gateshead in December. Others have visited the Japanese company, Komatsu UK's plant at Birtley in January, and discussed the management style at length and in depth, with the advantage that wives were allowed to join in the debate. The comprehensive visit to Tyne & Wear Metro Rail was held in the aftermath of the nationwide blizzard in February, but was very rewarding indeed to those fortunate enough to be able to attend, with their wives.

There are many events in the programme, those interested contact

C.M. Bolt

THE CIVIL ENGINEERS' CLUB NORTHERN IRELAND SENIORS



In the capable hands of Peter Stalker and Ronnie Bryson, the Seniors Section got off to a flying start at their Inaugural Meeting on 31st May 1990. Here is a photograph of some of the stalwarts involved.

Editor

Peter Stalker reports as follows: Since the last edition of the newsletter the N.I. branch of the Club has continued to expand its activities and is organizing various events which supplement the local association's already well-established social programme. Noel Prescott, who is a former N.I. Chairman, has now got our local Bridge Section up and running under the auspices of the Club and hopes to enter a team in the national event towards the end of the year. The tireless Ingram Bill, who is also a former Chairman as well as a member of I.C.E. Council, is busy making the arrangements for the Club's annual Thomas Telford Golf Tournament to be played at the spectacular Royal Portrush links in the early part of September 1991. The fact that he was Captain therein and much involved in its centenary celebrations can only help the arrangements.

Crews are being fixed up and boats prepared for the usual N.I. participation in the Irish Sea sailing 'meet' which takes place in N. Wales in June this year. Boats from the Scottish, N.I., North Western and North Wales Associations have joined up to make this a most pleasant event over the last three years.

The newly formed Seniors Section in the Province was motivated by our incoming President Robin Wilson and is giving early indications of being very popular. The group's third outing - at which we had the company of our wives - was to the Gallahers cigarette factory in Ballymena. Without becoming involved in the smoking versus no smoking controversy we had a superb day out and observed production engineering at its very best in structurally fascinating factory buildings. We saw how one of Northern Ireland's biggest employees produces 100 million cigarettes per week and our hosts could not have done more to make the visit a pleasant one.

It might be of interest to other associations who are contemplating the formation of Seniors sections to hear of the willingness which we have experienced on the part of the various firms and organizations to entertain people who are retired. Our approaches to the various firms have been enthusiastically received and we see little difficulty in arranging about four or five visits per year. Our ladies too seem to have a liking for these outings and most of the future events in our programme will be 'accompanied' or else!

Peter Stalker

SOME NOTES AND A PLEA FROM YOUR EDITOR

First the plea. This is your Newsletter so your Editor needs information from you. Reports on activities and notes on future events that are planned. Please send these in as soon as convenient at the time for possible inclusion in the next Newsletter. Photographs are more than welcome.

The Club is going from strength to strength, the number of paid up members is close approaching the 500 mark. With more members we will be even stronger to deal with the costs of administration and promotion and sponsorship. Whilst most of our activities are self financing there are these other expenses to be met.

With this Newsletter there is an application form for membership. I appeal to every member to try and recruit just one new member. The rules of the Club are published in the Newsletter; you will see that membership is open to all grades of members of the I.C.E. and such other persons of like professional interest.

The subscription is only £6 per annum and on joining every new member is presented with a Club tie value £6. So there is nothing to lose by joining and even if you only attend one event each year the cost is modest.

The following notes are listed under the various sections with the name of the Committee man concerned to whom enquiries should be made, addresses and telephone numbers as listed.

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MOTORING

Having had an extremely successful and hectic year in 1990 with most events heavily oversubscribed, your committee is planning a full year of motoring related activities. These will include Treasure Hunts, Driving Tests and Visits. I am investigating the idea of a chair-bound Treasure Hunt and of an Inter-Association Treasure Hunt.

For those regulars, please note that the Driving Test will be at a new location as the Mobility Centre has now moved to bigger, better premises at Carshalton, and we will be testing that for size.

Provisional dates for the remainder of the year.

Visit to High Wycombe Motor Museum..... September 29th
Treasure Hunt, Kent. October 27th

If you have any other ideas for events, then please contact me and I will be very pleased to discuss these with you.

John D. Brownie

MODEL ENGINEERING

Stress of events have delayed our programme. Any enthusiastic modellers with ideas and suggestions please contact:

Hubert Carr

VISITS TO WORKS

Visits in the programme include:

1. Crossness Beam Engineers near Warwick.
2. Dinorwic Pumped Storage Scheme and Pontcysyllte Aquaduct.
3. Clareton Pumping Engineers.
4. Thames Severn Canal, Sapperton Tunnel.
5. Kennet and Avon Canal.
6. Ironbridge Gorge Museum and the "Spry", last of the Severn Trows.

Those interested please contact:

Ray Horner

SQUASH

It's been suggested that a one day event is organized for squash players. The format will probably be for approximately ten teams of two or three players. Would anyone interested in entering a team please make contact. Please also advise if you are a member of a club that would accommodate such an event.

Michael McGraw

OVERSEAS MEMBERS

Whilst we have no events specifically designed for members overseas, we welcome them and their continuing support for the Club. There are members in many parts of the World and we are pleased to hear from them and proud that our banner has been flown in far away places, e.g. Cape Town.

If any overseas member would like to know if there are any other members in their area please contact:

Archie Shaw

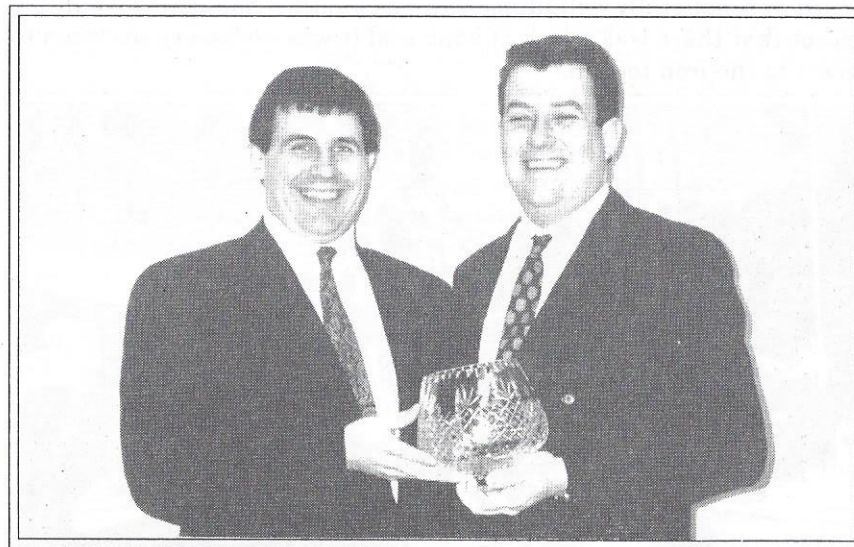
CARAVANNING

The Caravanning Section of the Civil Engineers' Club is proposing to arrange a five day rally in the Cambridge/Huntington area starting at Friday midday in late July or early August subject to adequate numbers. The site will be located within easy reach of the A1 and M1. Anyone interested is asked to contact the organizer Richard Randerson in the next fourteen days so that arrangements can be made to meet the wishes of the maximum number of people as to date and activities.

Richard Randerson
Coordinator Caravanning Section

BRUNEL TROPHY BRIDGE COMPETITION

Held on Thursday 29th November 1990 at the Young Chelsea Bridge Club.



LUCKY HAND: Players representing Thomas Telford Limited have become the first holders of the Brunel bridge trophy for the new competition run by the Civil Engineers' Club. TTL staff Chris Lonergan (left) and Peter Watkinson (right) played with guests Roland Gronan and Ron Harris to win the trophy, with London association coming second. Other teams were from ICE's Home Counties, South Eastern and Southern associations, and two guest teams boosted the numbers. Organiser Peter Richardson hoped that teams from more local associations will take part next year.

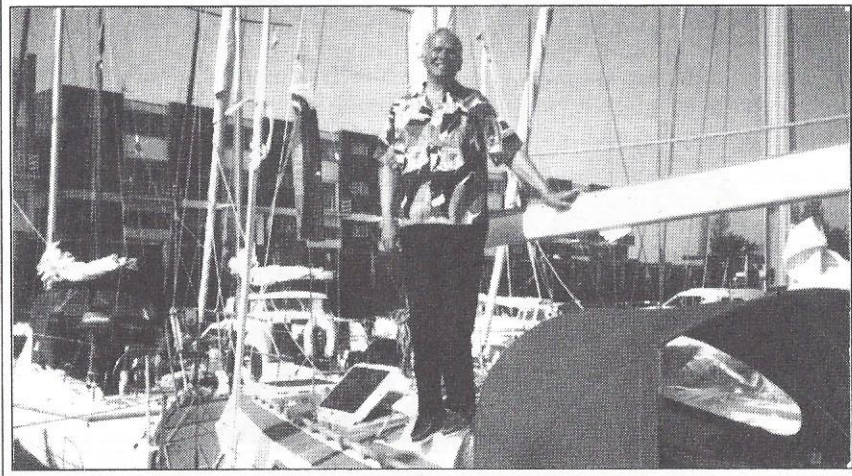
Peter Richardson

SAILING

English Channel Fleet 1990

Report by John Witchell

Another active and busy season. A total of 6 meetings were arranged, which were generally well supported. The weather was again favourable except that there was a lack of wind and it was necessary too often to resort to the iron topsail.

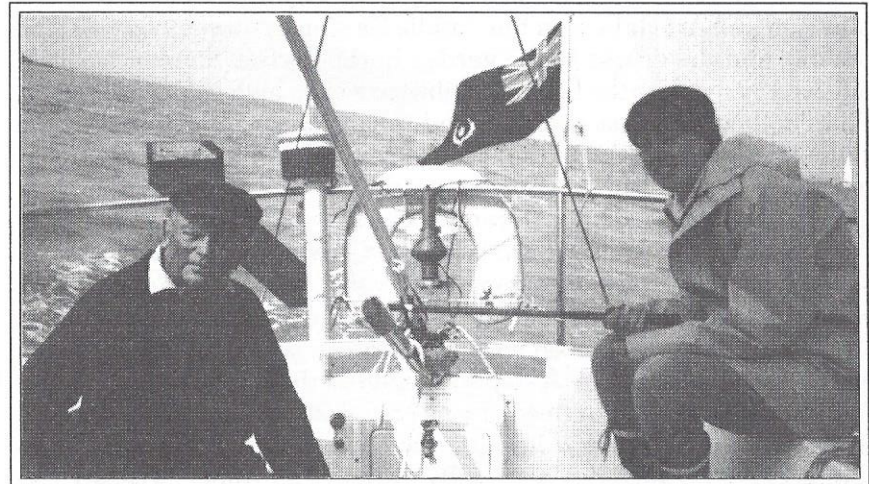


'The Shirt' Bembridge

The early spring rally to Bembridge I.O.W. over the weekend 28th/29th April was attended by Samiotissa (Ken Scott), Idle Jack (Roy Peel), Niobi (Steven Evans and Richard Ireland), Manumit (Chris Bosker), Dulcia (Gerald Davies) and Amity (John Witchell). We were pleased to welcome Ruth Brown one of the younger members of the Club who was crewing in Idle Jack. Roy inspired by Ruth or his daughter, probably both, sported a striking shirt of red and yellow flowers. We were to be dazzled by this on subsequent occasions and although I tried to compete with my parrots shirt it was no contest. In the evening there were drinks on Amity before adjourning to the Brading Haven Yacht Club for dinner.

We were very pleased this year to renew our association with the Royal Engineer Yacht Club with a joint rally to Ouistreham in the Baie

d'Seine over the Spring Bank Holiday. The venue was chosen by the Royal Engineers and put us all on our metal as it involved a 100 mile plus channel crossing. There was quite a strong easterly wind over the Friday night and Saturday and the Solent boats had to work hard to get there. In Amity we crossed on the Thursday night in rather easier conditions, except that the skipper got very confused in the early morning and had a lot of trouble in the D'Antifer channel avoiding buoys that turned out to be the flashing lights of low flying aircraft. Four boats made it to Ouistreham, Niobi, Amity, Samiotissa and Idle Jack (all the way from Dartmouth). Novak (Hubert Jenkins) made it across the Channel but had to put in to St Vaast and was unable to continue in time. Right Royal sailed by Majors Bob Hill and Ross Wilson was the only R.E.Y.C. boat to make it. Disappointing but understandable as the weekend clashed with the jubilee of the Dunkirk evacuation. The lunch to celebrate the rally was held on the Sunday at the Restaurant La Broche d'Argent following which those boats who had to be back for Tuesday morning departed. Those lucky enough to be able to stay a while took a bus to Caen where we found Buenavela (Ken and Millie Odell) in the marina keeping the Club banner flying. Engraved glasses were given to the vessels reaching Ouistreham and to Novak for a good try. The return passages were uneventful except for Ken Scott and his crew. Samiotissa got a cargo net around her propeller crossing the



**Ruth Brown and John Witchell
Sailing in "Amity" - Crews Weekend**

shipping lane and had a very slow and worrying sail back to her berth in the Beaulieu river. Even out of the water it took the yard nearly an hour to cut it away.

The crews weekend attracted only four Club members, Ruth Brown sailing in Amity, Richard Allen, who has his own boat in South Wales, sailing in Toxotes and Johnathon Gammon and Roger Shaw sailing in Blanco. Amity and Toxotes (Alan Payton) rendezvoused at Yarmouth where they had a very pleasant evening at the George. Blanco (Fred Hughes) was much more adventurous going all the way to Chapmans Pool in Dorset. It was very nice to welcome Richard Allen to the south coast; also to have Alan and Ricky with us again. We hope all the crews will come again in 1991.

The Channel Islands Cruise was, as it always has been, a most enjoyable week. The crossing to Cherbourg on the Saturday in the case of Amity, was rough but fast. We arrived in time for the 14th July fireworks, moving on to Alderney on Sunday evening and to Guernsey on the Monday, where we met up with Novak and Idle Jack. We were welcomed by Walter Prow who gave us details of the following days entertainment, consisting in the morning, of a visit to the Site of their new offices for which the foundations were under construction, followed by a talk, coffee and visit to the bar at the Guernsey Yacht Club. We had the afternoon to ourselves and before gathering again in the evening for a 'Vin d'Honneur' given for us by the Guernsey Tourist Board at the Museum and Art Gallery in the Candie Gardens. All went very well on the day and the drinks in the garden in the perfect summer weather followed by a visit to the Lowry Exhibition were a high point of the week. There followed a most excellent and remarkably cheap dinner at the Duke of Norfolk Hotel. On the Wednesday the boats sailed to St. Helier marina in Jersey. On the Thursday morning we were all taken by car to see the waste disposal complex and wondered at the rapid transformation of domestic waste to a sludge which it was suggested by some gave Jersey Royals their special flavour. Having done our duty we were able to relax with our Jersey friends at the Harvest Barn for lunch. In the afternoon we climbed up Castle Orgueil, a real mediaeval castle complete with dungeons. A stop was made on the way back to the boats for those who wanted or needed a swim to indulge. Parties were held in the evening on Novak, Idle Jack and Amity for the Jersey engineers and it being my birthday we finally collected on Amity, where I was serenaded not the least by a very shady bird who had shipped on Novak with Terry Rooney. Afterwards this bird entertained with a lot of

giggling and squeaks by a gang of the most delightful French children headed by a gap toothed Stephanie; the whole being recorded on video by boats on the adjacent pontoons, I am sure Terry had a hand and perhaps an arm in it somewhere. The cruise ended on the Friday night (July 20th) with a dinner at the Grand Hotel enlivened once again by that bird. We were very grateful to Geoffrey Lefevre in Jersey, Walter Prow in Guernsey and to all the other C.I.G.P.E. engineers for both making the arrangements and for making our visit so enjoyable.

The joint meeting with the Club caravanners planned for early September at Beaulieu unfortunately became solely a sailing section event. Although we were very disappointed not to have the caravanners company, the rally turned out to be a real carnival and one of the most enjoyable we have had. The evening started at 6 o'clock with a party on Simonetta II followed by another on Samiotissa before rolling on to the Master Builders Hotel for a most enjoyable dinner. The opportunity was taken (several times) to toast, in champagne and lesser wines, Archie and Pauline on their very recent marriage. In the event the wine bill exceeded the cost of the dinner by a considerable amount. Boats attended were Simonetta II, Samiotissa, Outrageous (Ron Cole), Toxotes and Amity. We were rewarded on the Sunday by a beautiful day, a favourable wind and an idyllic sail.

The last of the Club rallies was the Autumn rally held over the



Harvest Barn, Jersey

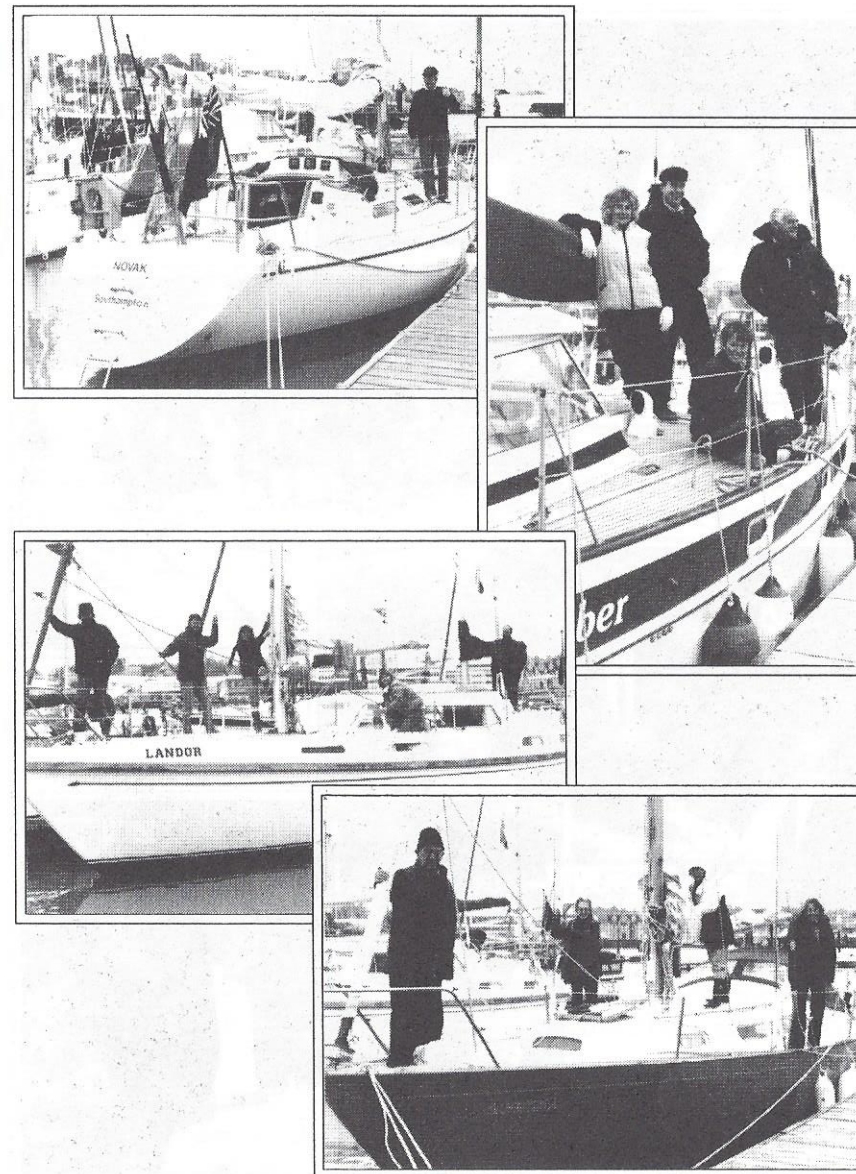
weekend 6th/7th October at Ocean Village. Due to gale force winds only Niobi and Blanco of the seven boats expected ventured out under sail not without incident; I have to say, but good seamanship won the day. The other crews swapped their boats for four wheels arriving by car at the Royal Southampton Yacht Club for dinner. We were made most welcome and thoroughly enjoyed our meal in the Admiral's Room. For those driving the restraint on the number of glasses of wine consumed was offset by the thought of a comfortable bed at the end of it. We were pleased to welcome Ken and Millie Odell for the first time this year and John Inman a first timer.

There remained only the Joint Rally with the British Section of the French Civils (correctly Le Societe des Ingenieurs et Scientifiques de France) at Cowes at the beginning of December, which was attended by 12 Club and Society boats, Capriol; Alec Leggatt (welcome back); Elvera sailing under strange colours but with Archie Shaw and Pauline as crew; Landor, Martin Hadley; Niobi, Steven Evans and Richard Ireland; Novak, Hubert Jenkins; October, Michael Marston (an associate of the occasion); Samiotissa, Ken and Betty Scott; Sea Stag, John Rowe; Sea Weasel, Kieren Coyne; Simonetta, John Croft; Smydra, John Inman and Sympatico, Simon Croft. All were accommodated together in Ancaster Marina. The weather was kind, perhaps too kind as little sailing was done, but most definitely below the comfort zone so far as the temperature was concerned. After some shopping by the ladies, to boost their morale after the trials of the trip over, and some preliminary refreshment on the boats we gathered at the Island Sailing Club, 7.30 for 8.00, where we were joined by David Palmer (President of the French Civils) and his wife Sylvia, Robin Wilson (Chairman of the CEC) and Gillian, Martin and Tina Hurst and Peter and Rita Morice. The I.S.C. had reserved their dining room for us so after an excellent dinner provided by 5 Star Catering, we were able to let our hair down and a lively evening ensued. Healths were drunk, following those to the Queen and the President of the French Republic, to the French Civils proposed by Robin Wilson and replied to by David Palmer and to the Ladies proposed by John Witchell and replied to by Pauline Shaw. Notable contributions to the evenings fun were also, made by Ken Scott, Hubert Jenkins, Terry Rooney, Archie Shaw and Alec Leggatt. It has to be recorded also that the style of the evening was much enhanced by John Rowe and his crew who were immaculate in dinner jackets. Well done. Engraved glasses were presented to the skippers of the boats to commemorate the evening.

John Witchell

The Cowes, December 1990

Some of our boats in the Ancaster Marina.



The Cowes, December 1990

Members and guests at the dinner, Island Sailing Club



SAILING 1991 SEASON ENGLISH CHANNEL FLEET

This opened with the Spring Rally at the end of April. Most of the established events will be repeated. One new venture is planned, subject to there being sufficient support, namely a cruise to Devon and Cornwall in August. This would be a leisurely sail with everyone doing and going where and when they wanted, but with, say, two visits and a dinner to end it all.

Coming Events in the Programme

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| Round the Island Race | 22nd June | Trophy to be given to First CE boat to finish on corrected time. (See note) |
| Crew Weekend | 29th-30th June | To be agreed between boats taking part. |
| Channel Island Cruise | 13th-20th July | Cherbourg/Alderney, Guernsey and Jersey. |
| Summer Cruise | 31st July-1st Aug. | Falmouth |
| West Country | 6th-7th August | Plymouth |
| Rally with Societe des Ingenieurs et Scientifiques de France | 7th-8th December | Cowes, Island Sailing Club |

It would be nice if we could establish events in the dinghy and sail board area for the younger sailors; this requires a young and enthusiastic organiser to come forward to take it in hand so even if you can't undertake this task, can you try and do a bit of arm twisting on someone who can. He would be rewarded by a place on the Club Committee.

Note:

Round the Island Race - 2nd June

The Civil Engineers' Club is providing a trophy to be awarded annually to the boat entered by a member of the I.C.E. performing best in the

Island Sailing Club's Round the Island Race. This will be the boat having the lowest quotient determined by dividing the boats finishing position in its class by the number of starters in that class. Entrants for the Trophy, should write to John Witchell at Morningside, The Avenue, Petersfield, Hampshire, GU31 4JG, by June 12th giving the name of his boat and the Class entered. It is proposed to present the trophy, which has still to be named, at a dinner at the Master Builder's Hotel, Beaulieu, on Saturday 28th September.

Nota Bene

Anyone not on the sailing section mailing list who would like to receive details of any of the meetings in the programme please contact John Witchell, Morningside, The Avenue, Petersfield, Hampshire, GU31 4JG. Tel. 0730 63908.

IRISH SEA SECTION - BANGOR, CO. DOWN

The 1990 muster was held in Bangor Marina during the weekend 15th-17th June 1990.

"Hot-n-Tot" (Harry Osborne) came from the Clyde. "Ocean Phoenix" (David Wilding); "Aida B" (Denis Tunstal) and "Wiske V" (Adrian Jones) came from North Wales via the Isle of Man where the Island's "ambassador at large" Will Tickle was picked up. All then headed for Bangor with "Ocean Phoenix" nosing into Strangford Lough for a night before making Bangor on the Saturday morning. They were met there by five local boats.

The formal dinner on the Saturday evening was held in the Royal Ulster Yacht Club preceded by the now customary pre-dinner meet aboard "Ocean Phoenix" where the usual hospitality was dispensed. We have all now become quite blase about swanning around marinas in evening dress although other more conventionally dressed occupants think us a mite peculiar!

The dinner was attended by 42 members and guests, the two principal guests being Denis Johnston, the Vice-Commodore of the R.U.Y.C. and John Hill, Chairman of the Northern Ireland Association. In the unfortunate absence, yet again, of Peter Stalker, the function was chaired by Ronnie Bryson.

Grace was proposed by our "Honorary Chaplain" Russell Owen from North Wales. After dinner all were welcomed to the R.U.Y.C. by Denis Johnston and John Hill welcomed our visitors on behalf of the local members. The replies were by Harry Osborne for the Clyde and Laurie Balmer for North Wales.

All the speakers referred to Peter Stalker's enforced absence and a "get well" card wishing him a speedy recovery from his forthcoming operation was signed by everyone.

The 1991 meeting was arranged for North Wales, now Isle of Man, and an enjoyable evening finished with a sing song delightfully led by Nora Whittaker's singing and guitar playing.

All the boats dispersed to their home ports on the Sunday morning with two exceptions. One of the local boats, Gordon Millington's "Triplice" headed off for a fortnight's cruise round the north coast and down the west coast of Ireland. "Hot-n-Tot" headed south for Dun Laoghaire, came back to Bangor, visiting Stangford Lough en route, and returned to the Clyde on the 24th June.

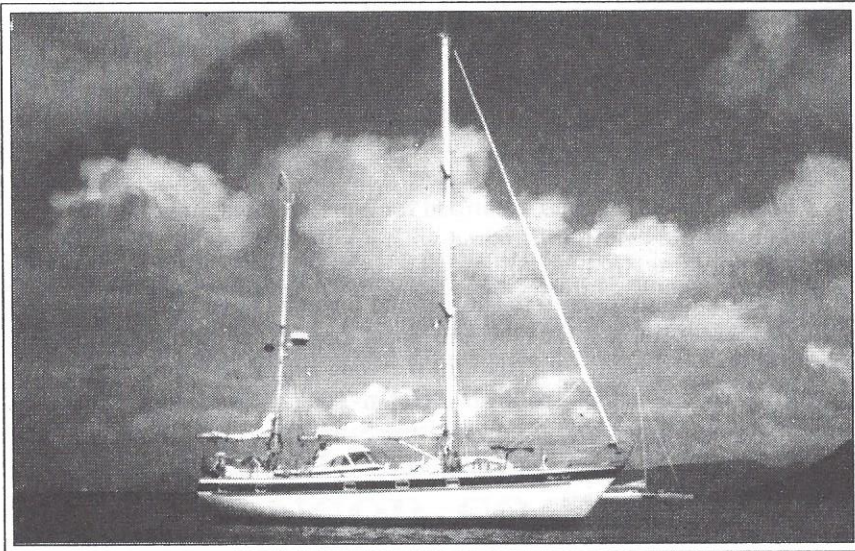
Ronnie Bryson

WINE TASTING

A wine tasting followed by a dinner most probably in London at Great George Street is being considered, contact:

Peter Morice

THE ELVERA CUP



White Gale

Once again only one entry and again a splendid cruise by Ken Scott and his crew amongst the Windward Islands of the West Indies. In 21 days they only sailed or motorsailed 313 miles but visited 23 different anchorages. They had a beautiful Halberg Rassey 42 ft. ketch (see photograph) called "White Gale".

The log and narrative of the cruise is well and faithfully recorded with numerous photographs. A splendid achievement and one that was obviously enjoyed by all who took part.

Congratulations to Ken Scott and his crew for winning the "Elvera Cup" for a second time with a special mention for John Witchell the "Scribe" who must have put a lot of work into making such an interesting log.

Please may we have more entries this year. You do not have to go far or overseas to enter. The cruise recorded in simple form with humour and understanding with an account of the incident that nearly always arises when cruising that can be classified as "intensive yachting".

Add a few photographs, pop it all in a folder and maybe perhaps the Cup will be yours for a year!

MIDLANDS COME OUT ON TOP AGAIN

THOMAS TELFORD GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER 1990 - WALSALL GOLF CLUB

The Midlands Association successfully defended its title as the Civil Engineers' Club Golf Champions when its team retained the Thomas Telford Trophy on home ground at Walsall Golf Club in September.

Fifteen teams of four representing the Regional Associations together with a team from Thomas Telford Limited completed for the coveted trophy over the 6,243 yards parkland course situated in the heart of the West Midlands. The format for the event followed the successful pattern adopted in previous years with morning foursomes followed by afternoon singles, all having individual prizes. The highest aggregate Stableford score of both the foursomes and the four singles matches determined the trophy winners.

As dawn broke on the morning of the event, heavy overnight rain gave way to a bright clear sky and blustery wind and this set the pattern for the remainder of the day. Many of the competitors had only a short drive to the course having availed themselves of the accommodation provided at the nearby Polytechnic Halls of Residence. Registration and coffee was followed by a team photo call in front of the Clubhouse (the photographs were later inserted into the dinner menus) before competitors strode purposefully towards their allotted starting tees.

Throughout the day the overall standard of play was credibly high which was no doubt helped by the excellent lunchtime buffet and the obligatory refreshment tent strategically placed between the 9th and 18th greens.

ICE President, Professor Peter Stott, Past President, Sir William Francis, Lady Francis and Civil Engineers' Club Chairman, Robin Wilson were guests at the presentation dinner held in the Clubhouse and all were warmly welcomed by the Chairman of the Midlands Association, Keith Seago. Following the excellent meal Professor Stott presented 20 items of Royal Brierley Crystal to the various winners of the individual and team categories, and a special mention should be made of Tony Jowle, the Midlands Association Team Captain who set a fine example by winning the individual prize with a remarkable gross score of 69, giving him 42 Stableford points.

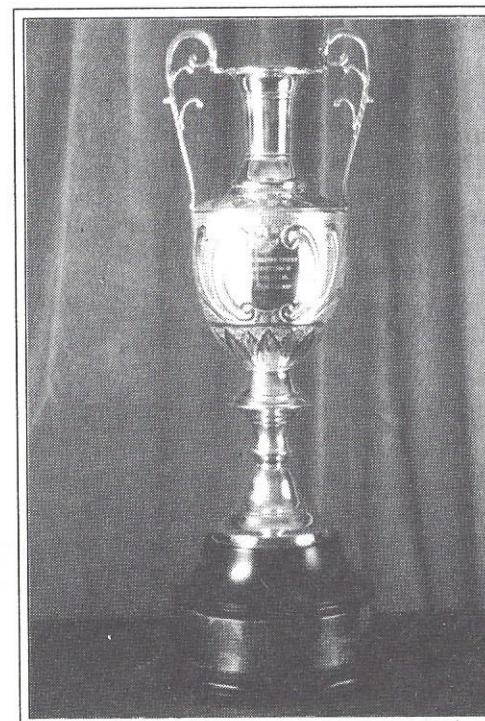
Once again the crystal was donated by Thomas Telford Limited whose support for the tournament is, as ever greatly appreciated. All 64 competitors together with the honoured guests received an engraved whisky tumbler as a memento of the day and these were kindly donated by the Civil Engineer Club.

During the day and well into the evening Midlands Association Honorary Secretary, Colin Clinton received many congratulations on the excellent manner in which he and his tournament committee had organized every aspect of the event. Despite the fact tradition had been broken by moving away from a recognized championship course, there was little doubt on the part of the competitors that the day had been a major success. This was due in no small way, as Colin was quick to acknowledge to the overwhelming support of the many sponsors who donated so generously and who were listed on both the commemorative scorecards and dinner menus and specially produced sponsor boards.

With ever increasing costs as a result of the Nations current demand for golfing facilities, the continued success of this prestigious event will rest heavily on the ability of future organisers to attract at least a similar level of sponsorship.

Traditionally the Trophy Winners have hosted the event the following year, but it was the general feeling of those present at Dinner that as this was the second successive year the Midlands Association had won the event, the tournament should now move on to a new venue. The loudest applause of the evening came when Northern Ireland Association Member, Ingram Bill, rose to his feet and offered Royal Portrush as the venue for the 1991 Thomas Telford Trophy.

The Midlands Association would like to wish the Civil Engineers' Club and the Northern Ireland Association every success for next years event.



Thomas Telford Trophy

List of Teams Taking Part

Edinburgh and East Scotland

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| A. Gray | D. Mitchell | H. O'Hanlon | A. Shaw |
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East Anglia

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| J. Byfield | G. Hannah | E. Helsby | J. Pattison |
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East Midlands

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| C. Dixon | J. Fenton | R. Fruin | P. Mills |
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Glasgow and West Scotland

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| D. Coutts | F. Cuthbert | J. Logie | C. Scott |
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Home Counties

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| J. Barlow | R. Capper | P. Giffin | B. Verrall |
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London

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| R. Bird | K. Duguid | R. Morley | R. Thomas |
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List of Teams cont:**Midlands**

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| D. Jones | A. Jowle | I. Linnell | L. Roberts |
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Northern Counties

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| G. Formstone | J. Jones | D. Rainbow | B. Tate |
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Northern Ireland

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| I. Bill | T. Bill | W. Gregg | J. Wilson |
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North Western

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| P. Blair | D. Hargreaves | J. Hughes | J. Moffat |
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South Eastern

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| J. Evans | I. Flett | R. Jenkinson | J. Lemay |
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Southern

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| A. Salmon | E. Simmonds | B. Staynes | J. Turner |
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South Wales

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| S. Howell | P. Jones | A. Parker | G. Snook |
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South Western

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| R. Giles | N. Lee | C. Pearce | P. Rogers |
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Thomas Telford

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| P. Hyslop | A. Levett | K. Marchant | P. Watkinson |
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Yorkshire

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| P. Clay | R. Fuller | J. Goundry | K. Philip |
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Acknowledgements

The Tournament Committee which consisted of Colin J. Clinton, Malcolm Crossman and Keith L. Seago, wish to thank all those who helped or took part in the Tournament; also the guests and the many companies and organizations who sponsored the event.

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