





Groomsport - Harbour, 8 January 1959





## Froomsport Harbour, 1950s

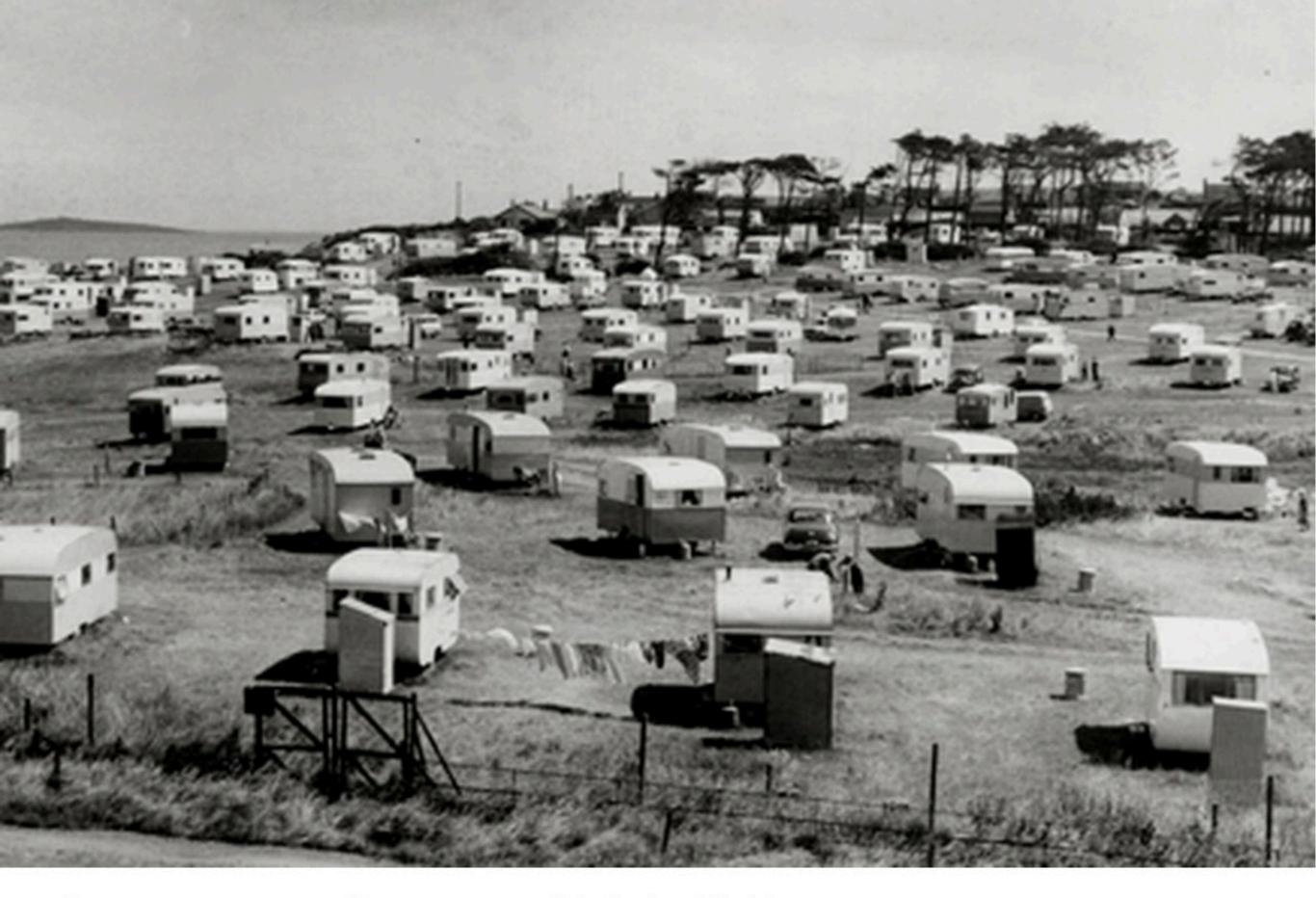
is a pleasant summer's day, but in the days before increased prosperity and greater leisure time saw recreational boat











Groomsport - Caravans, 31 July 1961

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f. Waterson. Harbour master. LE OF NORTH DOWN BOROUGH COUNCIL







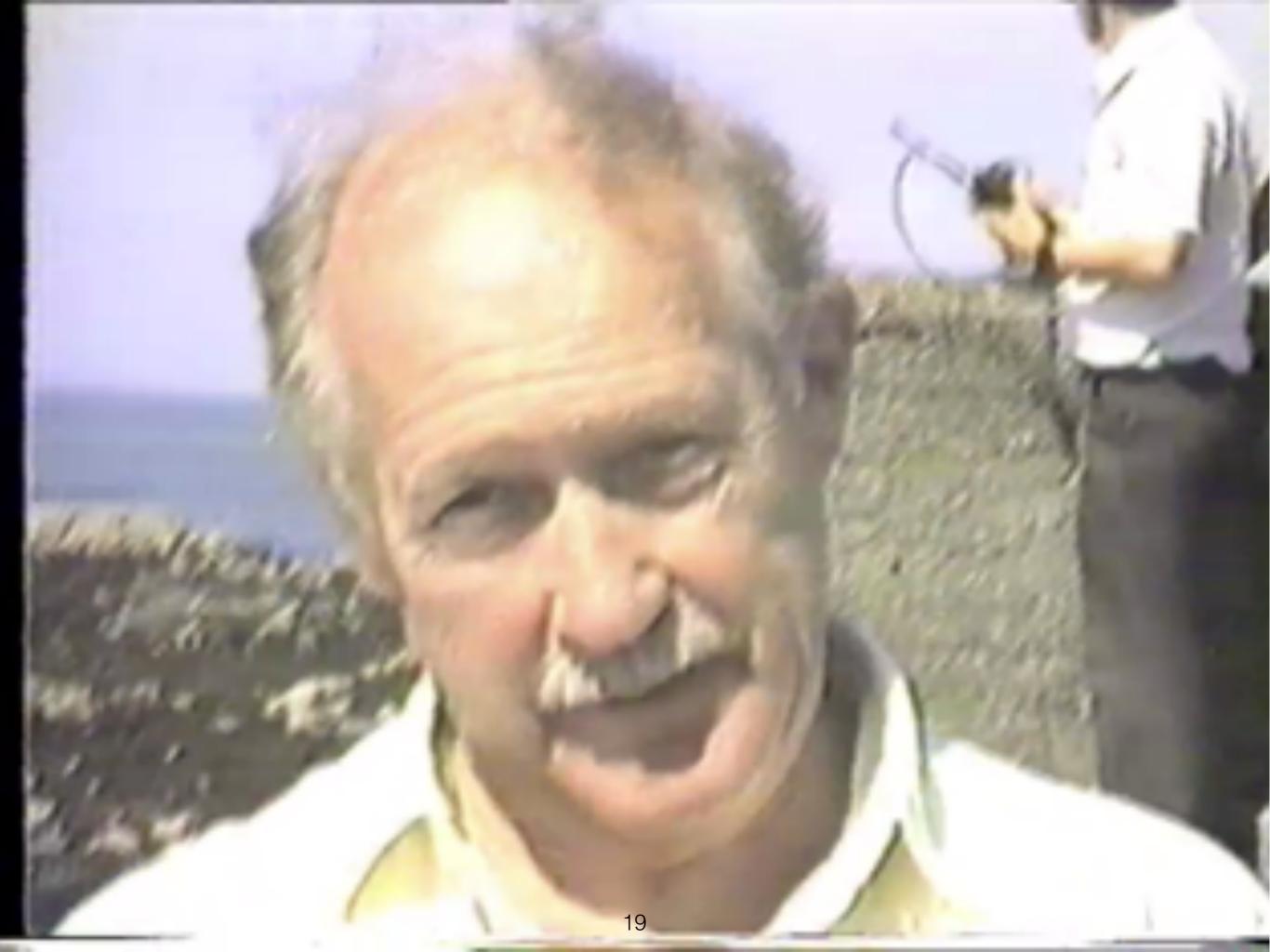








Bangor from Pickie Pool 19 Mærch 1959





18 Bryansburn Road Bangor

- Francis Mc Auley had his ear to the ground and with the help of Douglas Cowan they thought of forming a Boat Club to represent the interests of the boaters in Groomsport Harbour.
- Copy of letter from Francis Mc Auley and Douglas Cowan to Willie Wickens
- 29 individuals met in Francis's Lounge on 4th March 1974 and signed up to form CIBC
- The Rules or Constitution were agreed.
- CIBC was born!

Francis McAuley.

18 Bryansburn Road.

Bangor Phone 2662

Douglas Cowan.

39 Lyndhurst Ave.

Bangor Phone 68323.

Dear Willie,

You may have learnt of the intention of the North Down
Borough Council to effect extensive improvements to Groomsport
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of mooring facilities a probable beneficial step.

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Date. 4th March 1974.

Time. 8.00 PM.

Venue 18 Bryansburn Road Bangor.

(Corner of Farnham Rd, in which road please park car)

As there are Groomsport Harbour boating friends whose addresses
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Class B members shall not be entitled to vote at general membership (Annual, Special or otherwise) save in regard to Class B membership subscriptions, nor shall they be elected as Office-bearers or members of the Executive Committee.

- ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP: Each applicant must complete an application form, be sponsored by two members in writing and approved by the Executive Committee.
- 3. TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP:
  (a) A member may resign by giving written notice to the Hon. Secretar
  - (b) The Executive Committee reserves the right to terminate the membership of any person but before its power is exercised at least ten days written notice shall be given to that person by recorded delivery and an opportunity afforded him/her of showing cause before the Executive Committee why he/she should not be so dealt with.
  - SUBSCRIPTIONS: Members shall pay such entrance and/or annual subscriptions as from time to time may be determined by a General Meeting. The annual subscription shall be due and payable on the first day of January in each year or in the case of a new member immediately on election together with the entrance fee, if any. If a person is admitted to membership after the 15th September in any year the second annual subscription shall not be payable until the 1st January in the second year succeeding such admission.
  - BOAT REGISTER: Each member who is a boat owner shall furnish to the Hon. Secretary details of boat(s) currently owned.
    - OFFICE-BEARERS: The office-bearers of the Club shall be Commodore, Vice-Commodore, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, the two first named to act as Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively of the Club and of its Executive Committee. No office-bearer, other than the Hon. Secretary and the Hon. Treasurer shall be eligible for re-election to the same office for the next ensuing year.
    - GENERAL MEETINGS (which shall be held in a place within the North Down Borough Council administrative area):
    - (a) A general meeting shall be held before the thirty-first day of March in each year as the Annual General Meeting to -
      - (i) Receive the Annual Report of the Executive Committee.
      - (ii) Receive the Financial Accounts and Report of the Hon.

        Treasurer for the year ended 31st December immediately preceding.

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(d) may fill casual vacancies amongst the office-bearers or Executive Committee. Any person so appointed shall hold office until the

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- (e) shall not conduct its business unless there is a quorum of THREE.
- 9. VOTING: At meetings of the Club, of the Executive Committee and of sub-committees decisions shall be by a simple majority vote taken in a manner agreeable to the members present. Where there is an equality of votes the member occupying the Chair shall have a second or casting vote. Nothing contained in this Rule shall apply to a special general meeting of the Club convened to alter, vary or amend the Constitution or to wind-up the Club, for which express provision is made in the Charter of Constitution, save that the vote at such a meeting shall be taken in a manner agreeable to the members present.
- AMENDMENT OF RULES: These Rules may be amended as provided for in Article 11 of the Chapter of Constitution. Notice of Notion to amend at a general meeting must be given in writing to members in the notice convening the meeting. No member shall propose such a Motion unless he has given at least twenty-eight days' written notice thereof to the Hon. Secretary.

## . INTERPRETATION:

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- (e) TEN days' clear notice of general meetings and their purpose shall be given in writing to each member. The dispatch of Notices of Notings to the last known address of each member as shown in the Club records shall be decred adequate notice. It is the duty of each member to inform the Hon. Secretary in writing of any change of address.
- (d) The quorum necessary for the transaction of business at general meetings shall be SEVEN! Class A members or one-third of the total number of such members whichever is the losser.
- (e) No resolution or act of the Club in general meeting shall be amended or reseinded at any future meeting unless due notice of the metion to amend or reseind the same shall have been given in the notice convening such meeting.

## S. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

(a) shall open in the name of the Club such bank accounts as it considers nocessary or desirable. All cheques and withdrawal documents shall be signed by any two of (a) the Hon. Treasurer (b) the Hon. Secretary and (c) one other appointed office-bearer or member of the Executive Committee;

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The Club Burgee was designed jointly between Francis Mc Auley and a lady Artist who Joined CIBC

Early Dinner Dances and Prizegivings were held in the George as it had one of the largest function rooms.













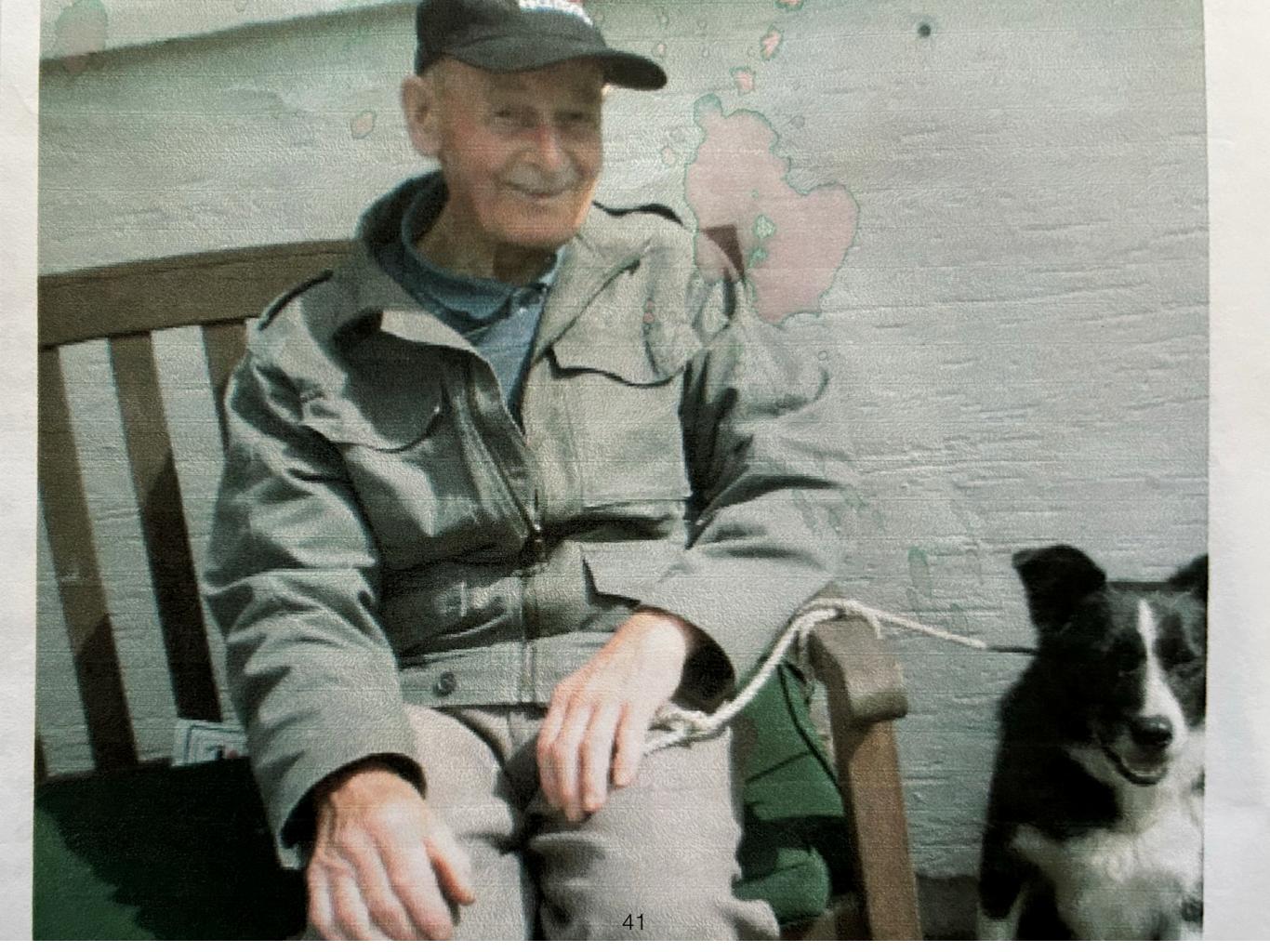




Out for a sail in Duncan's big boat







Early News Sheets were often 10 pages long.
Published Monthly with cartoons by John Bell.

Newsletter No. 93 February 1986

# COCKLE ISLAND BOAT CLUB

Groomsport, Co. Down.

In this month's Club News:-

New members, subscriptions

AGM details

Review of recent events

An end-of-season cruise

VHP radio licences - Porthcoming events

- New lifeboat in service

- Update of Club records

- To all Yachties - Old newsheets - Boats for sale

## NEW MEMBERS

The Executive Committee on the 5th January 1986 were pleased to admit the following persons to membership of our Club. We extend to them a warm welco and trust that they will feel happy to contribute to the affairs of our WILLIAM & ELIZABETH TURNER

RONALD & IRENE FENTON

DAVID & MARGARET AGNEW

PAT, MARIE & GRAHAM TOMS

ROWLAND & MARGARET WYLIE

IAN & CAROL BALDIE

REV. DR. DAVID IRWIN

Owners of a 21' Downcraft Cruiser Elizabet presently moored at Groomsport.

Owners of "Faith", a Shetland 610 Motor Cruiser moored at Carrick Marina.

New owners of "Emmanuelle", a Kent 28' Mo Cruiser kept at Carrick Marina.

No boat as yet.

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# MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

It is unfortunate that despite many reminders, a considerable number of sub-It is unfortunate that despite many reminders, a considerable number of subscriptions were still outstanding at the end of December and the Executive reluctantly have had to cancel the membership of 20 "A" Members and 33 "B" Members who either through lack of interest or carelessness had not renewed

### MEMBERSHIP

It is a pleasure to note that, despite what is recorded previously, the membership of the Club is still on the increase and at the 31st December 19 our total membership was:-

"A" Members 174 (168) "B" Members 296 (286)

Figures in brackets refer to 1984.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - WEDNESDAY 19TH FEBRUARY 1986

This year's A.G.M. will be at 8.00 p.m. (2000 hrs) in The Boathouse, Grooms

PLEASE MAKE A POINT OF ATTENDING, if at all possible

This is the Club's principal business occasion: at it members have the opportunity to question the outgoing office-bearers and executive committee their stewardship and at it members make appointments for the ensuing year.

Further, an A.G.M. allows members to give guidance to the new officials and committee on the future activities of the Club. SO DO NOT HESITATE TO COME AND EXPRESS YOUR VIEWS.

NOMINATIONS: In the past several years as the A.G.M. approached, the Club I Sheet made observations concerning nominations and elections and it now does again as a guide to members who have joined the Club during the past twelve months and as an 'aide memoire' to others.

- (a) Only Class 'A' members may be appointed to office or to the Executive Committee.
- (b) Only Class 'A' members make nominations or vote thereon.
- (c) No nomination should be made unless the intending proposer and seconder after consultation, preferably before the A.G.M., with their prospectiv nominee are satisfied that this person will be able to effectively serv the Club in the capacity concerned. Obviously persons considered for nomination should possess talents, administrative or otherwise, which would be of benefit to the progress of the Club, including the ability maintain effective and enthusiastic leadership.
- (d) No person should accept nomination unless adequate time, thought and energy can be spared to fulfil the duties involved:-

The full Executive Committee (office-bearers and ordinary members) meet on the first Wednesday evening of each month with additional meetings i circumstances necessitate. There are standing and ad hoc sub-committee and individual committee members are allocated specific duties which ma be of an on-going or a temporary basis.

Members, the Officers and ordinary members of the Executive Committee are you appointees .... it is your responsibility to choose wisely.

### ARCH 19TH

e will be fortunate to have as our speaker Mr. Jimmy Hamilton who until recently was employed by Bangor Shipyard. Jimmy's talk will revolve around ropes and knots", and judging by reports from some members from B.Y.C. his evening will turn out to be not only informative but amusing as the haracter of this highly respected and knowledgable gentleman unfolds. good turn-out on this occasion would be appreciated so don't let us down.

### ARCH 26TH

The table top charting will once again have Ken Walsh in charge. Ken tells me that this evening will differ from those in the past in that the charting will be more directed to those new members who wish to learn the basics of navigation. If any of you feel that your knowledge of navigation is limited this is your opportunity to join us and have the benefit of Ken's experience and expertise. Don't think that you are the only one who can't navigate, there are many of us in the "same boat".

### YEW LIFEBOAT IN SERVICE

The new Arun lifeboat on which a number of our members serve was called out on Wednesday, 8th January, to the M.V. Sibenik. While the ship was on passage in the Irish Sea, a Yugoslav crew member fell into the cargo hold and was seriously injured, but thanks to the efforts of the lifeboat crew and medical officer (another C.I.B.C. member) the seaman is now recovering. Our best wishes for a complete recovery go to him and our thanks to the lifeboat services



### UPDATE OF CLUB RECORDS

All members who, in the past eighteen months, have changed their name, address, telephone number, boat, boat name, etc., and have not notified the club should pass on relevant details to the secretary Norman McVeigh, 117 Saintfield Road, Belfast, telephone number Belfast 701336, or any committee member.

### TO ALL "YACHTIES"

(a) Yachtsmen who wish to compete in next summer's club races or in the Lough Regattas should notify the Sailing Secretary, Willie Wickens, 12 Dellmount Drive, Bangor (phone 465071).

- Commodores Day
- Best Kept and Equipped Boat Competition
- Man Overboard Rescue Competition
- Boat Handling Competition
- Children's Fancy Dress Competition















- Day of the Big Storm
- A N/E Gale causing 22 boats to break their moorings. They were nearly all washed ashore.





# First Dredging of Groomsport Harbour

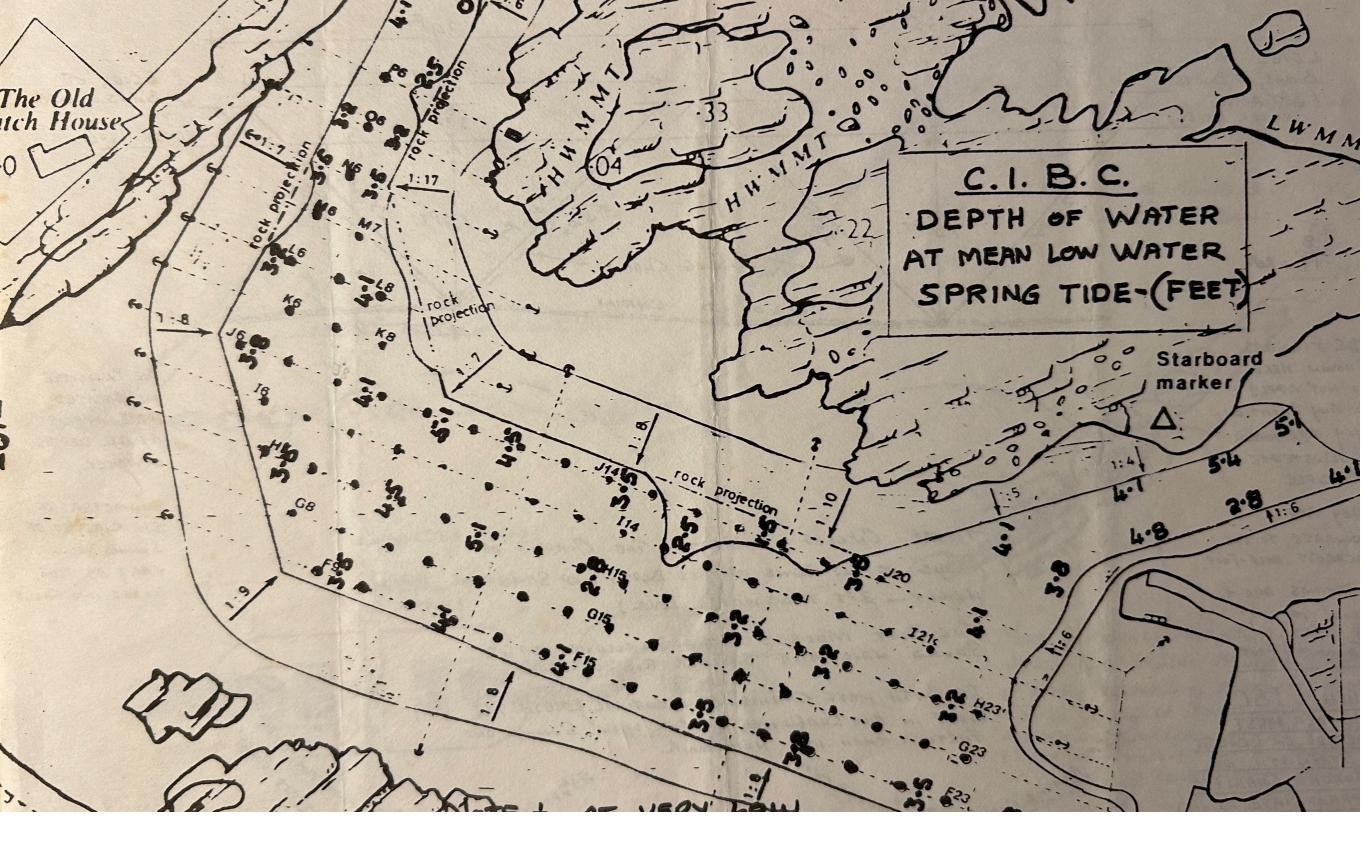












January 1982

• First CIBC Regatta 1985.





















































Members Boating Holidays



































































































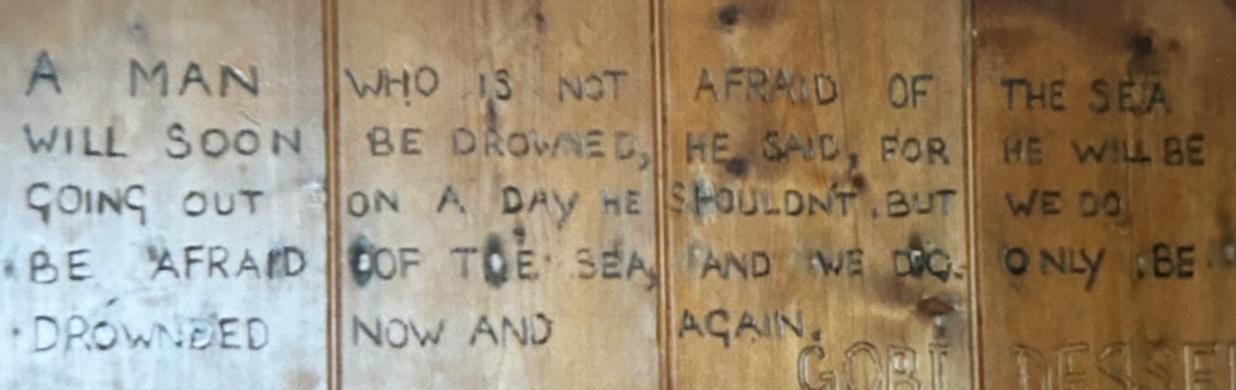












A MAN WHO IS NOT AFRAGO OF NOW AND

AGAIN.

THE SEA

Portpatrick Races







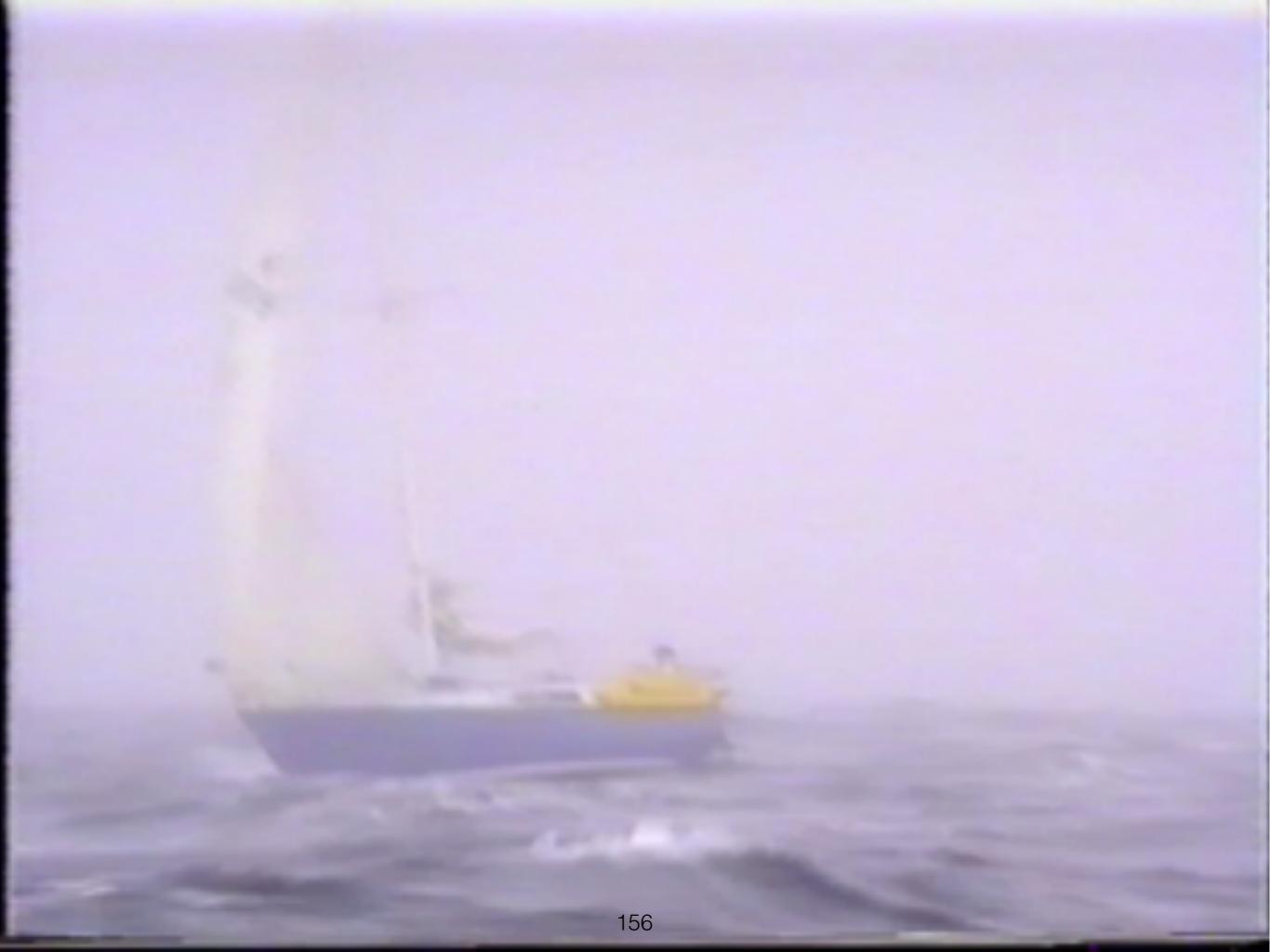














Sailing on Sceptre K17 (69 ft)
She is a 12 metre class yacht
built for the Royal Yacht Squadron to challenge the
Americas Cup in 1958
She was owned by the Sceptre Preservation Society.

RUYC kindly arranged an afternoons sailing for members of C.I.B.C..









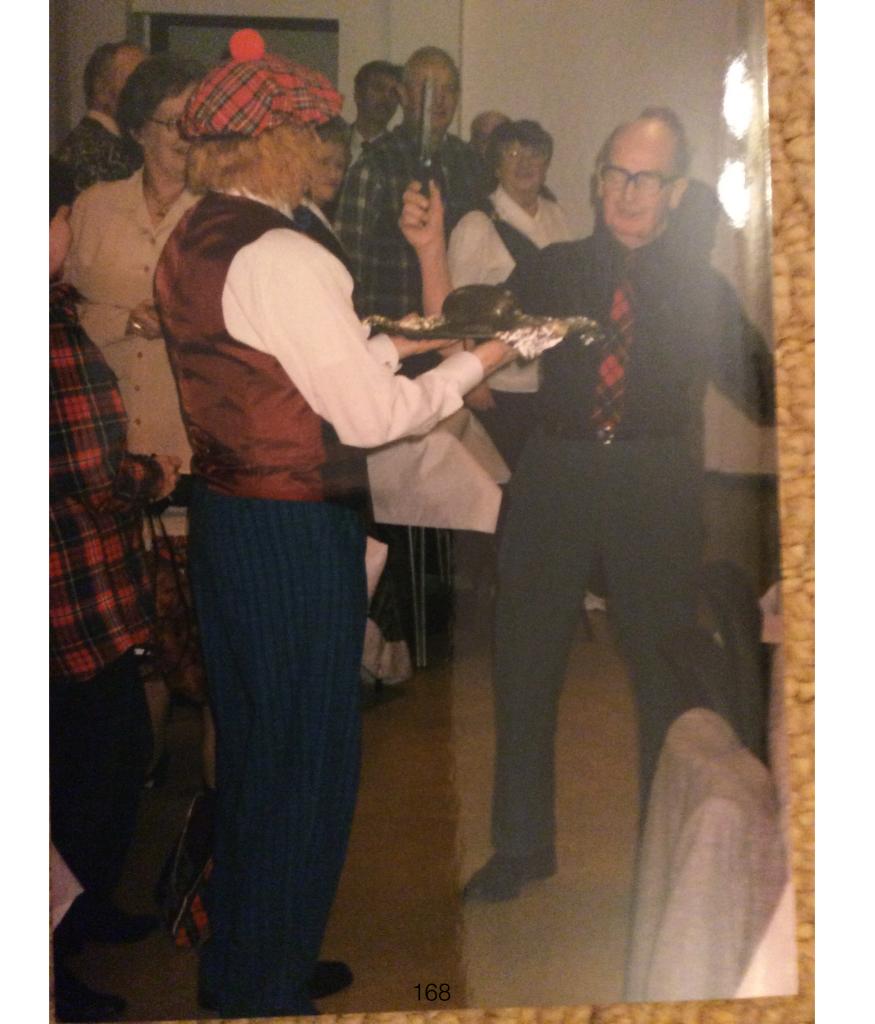








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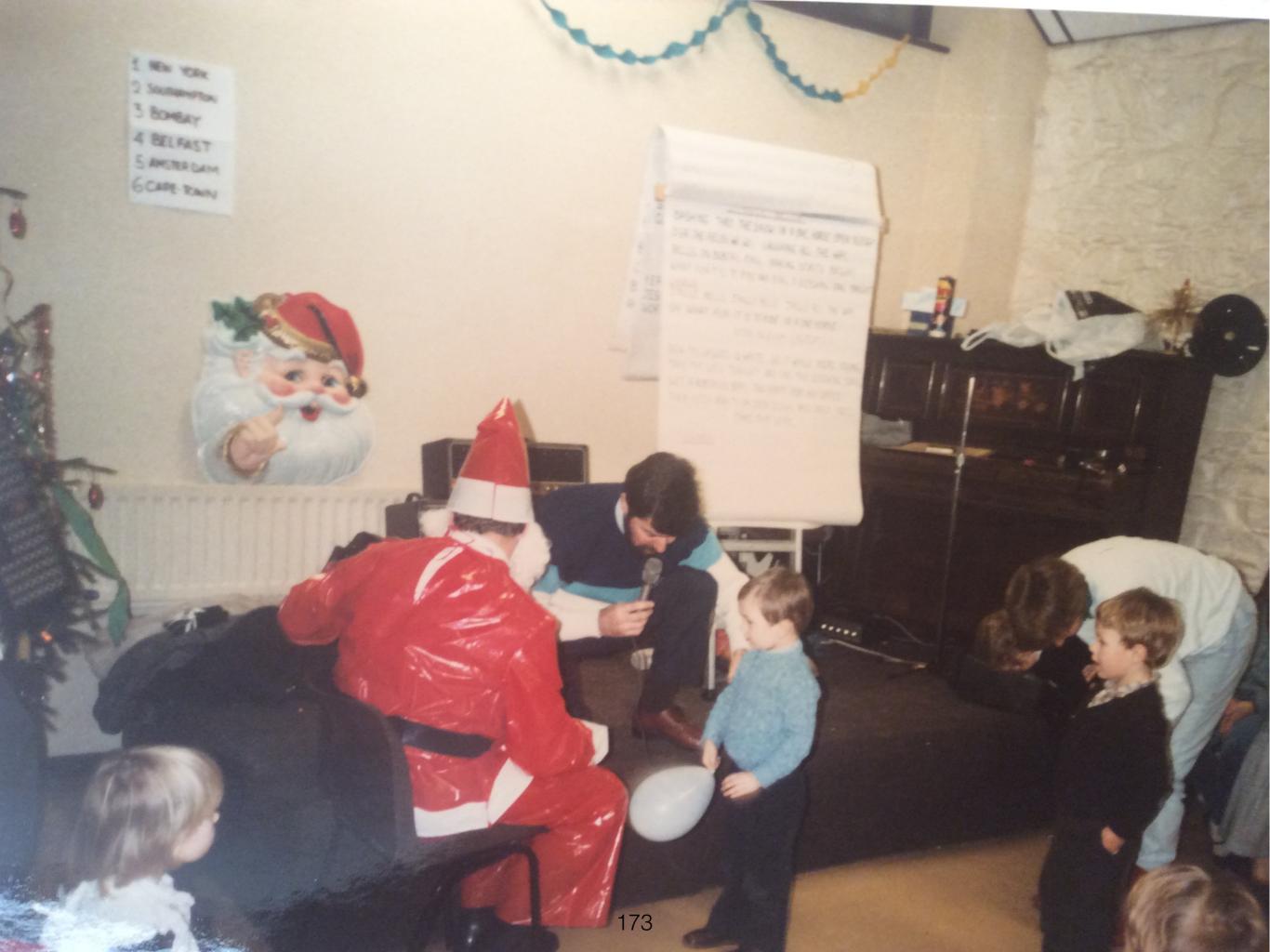


• Children's Christmas Parties











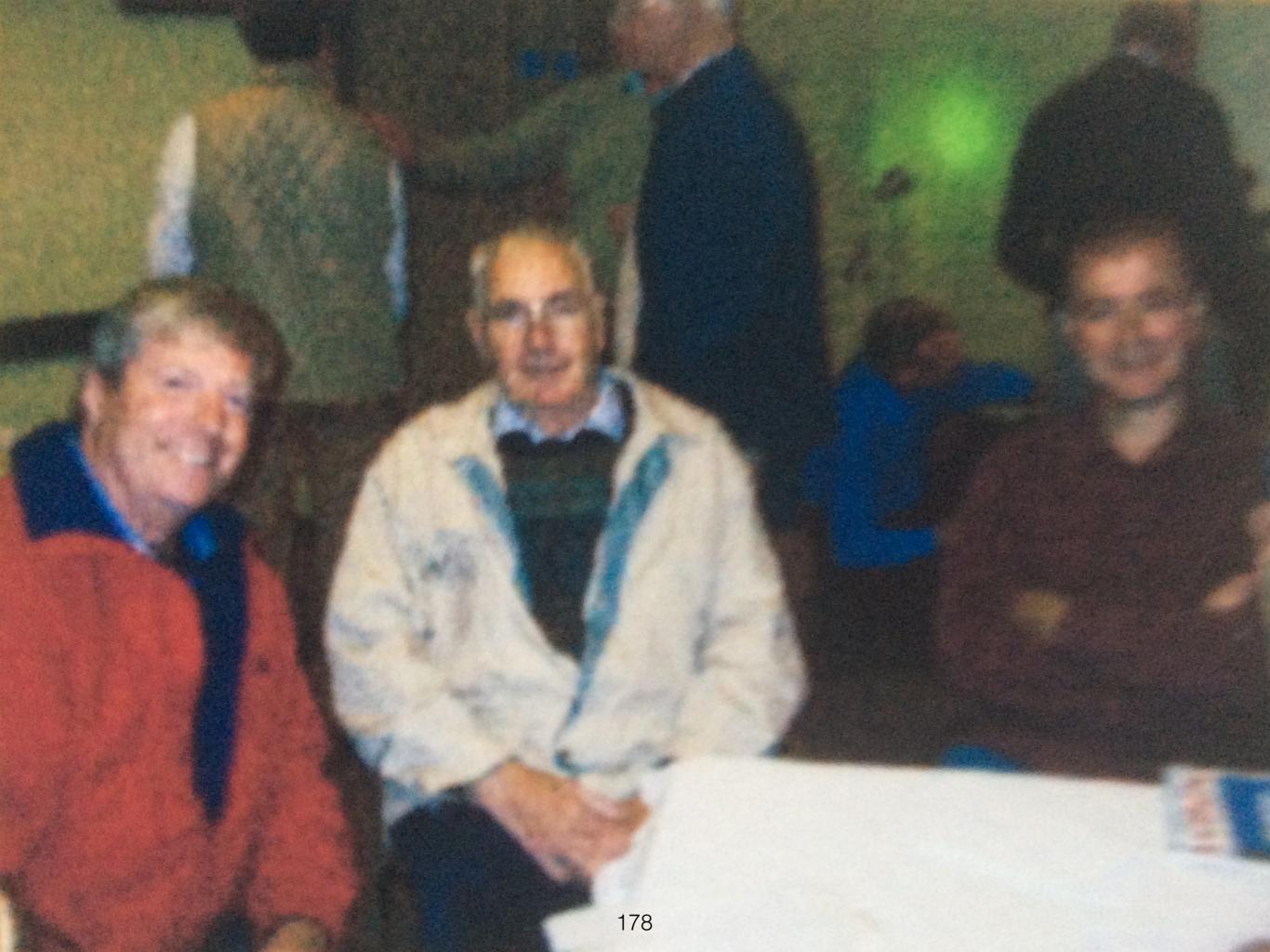
• Old Gaffers Nights.



The Auld gaffers band



See in the 'Dee.?





We're just happy to be here

 Club Outings to Port Dandy, Helen's Bay and Carrickfergus.

































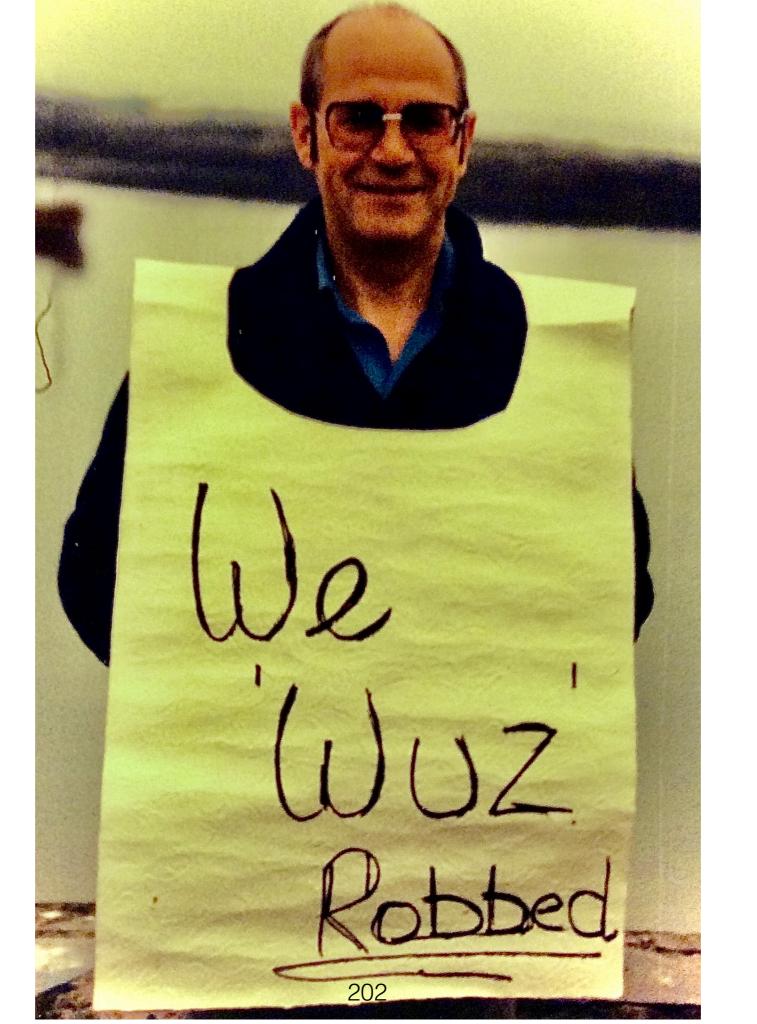
Every Summer Season ended with a Thanksgiving Service In the Local Church.

Hen Island Race



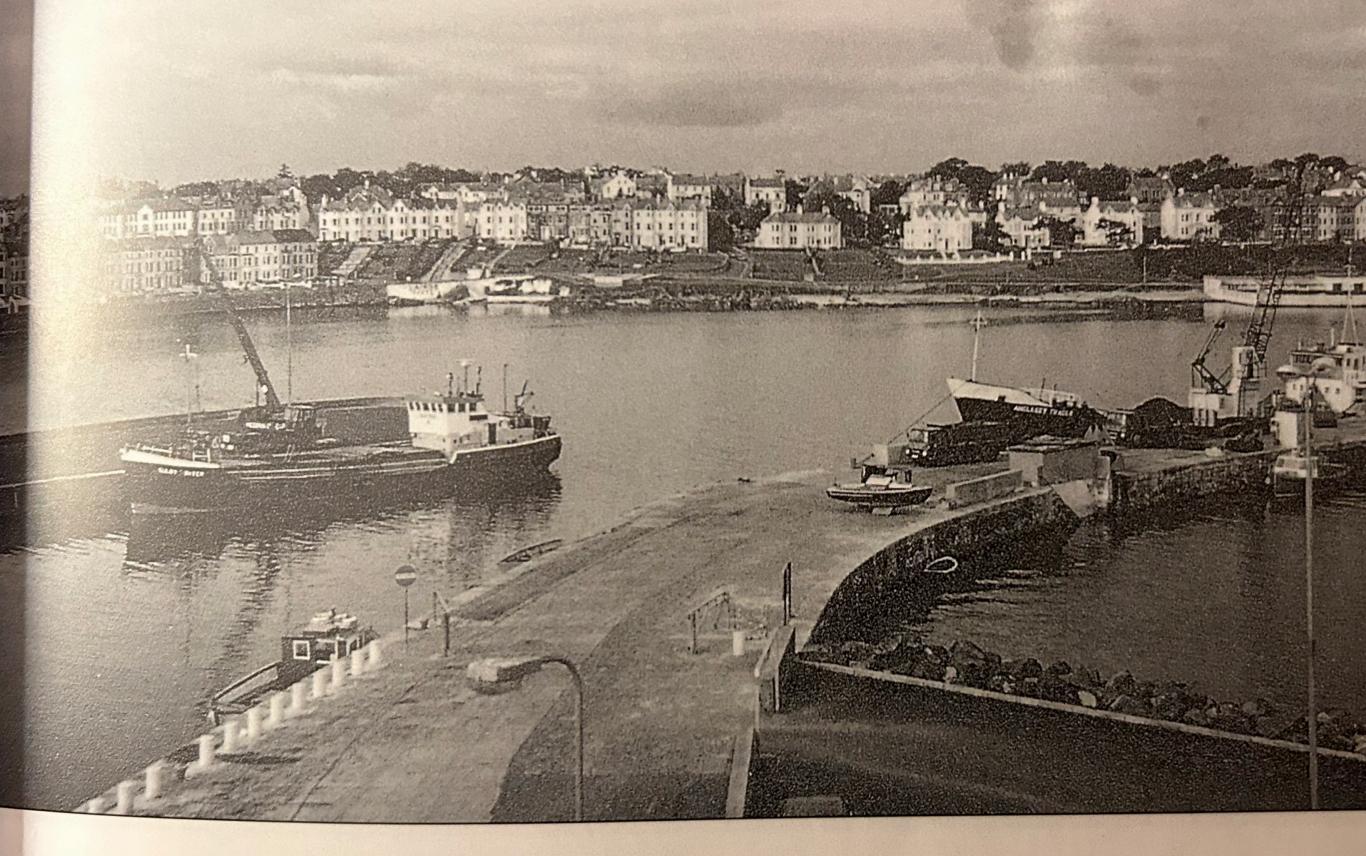








# Bangor Harbour Development



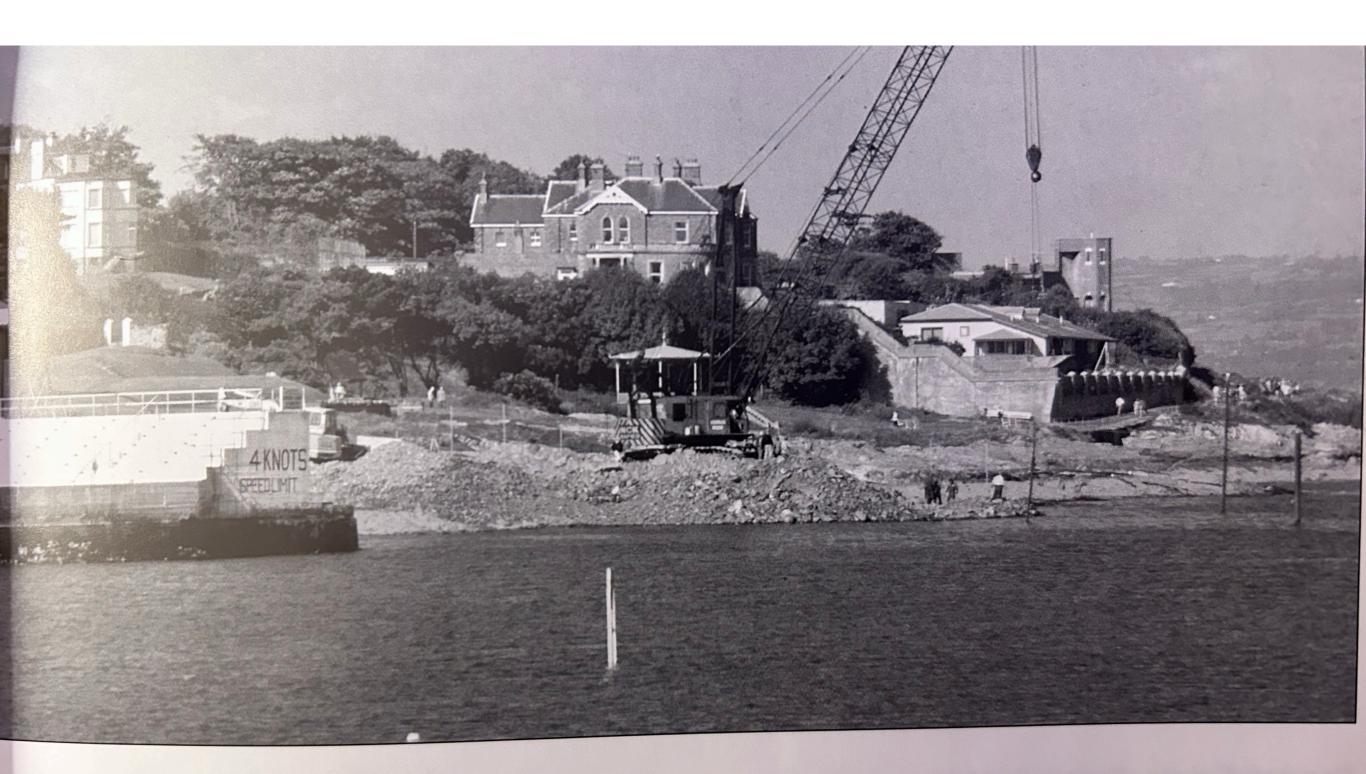
angor Harbour from the Old Tower

t prior to the marina scheme, the barbour had a spell of renewed trade. The old amusements on the South Pier (



Queen's Parade, 1920s

Almost every photograph and overy posteril ( )



onstruction of the South Breakwater

ver a period of about six years from 1987, Bangor Bay was totally transformed. Much more than a marina was created - attractive



#### Another New Pier, 1987

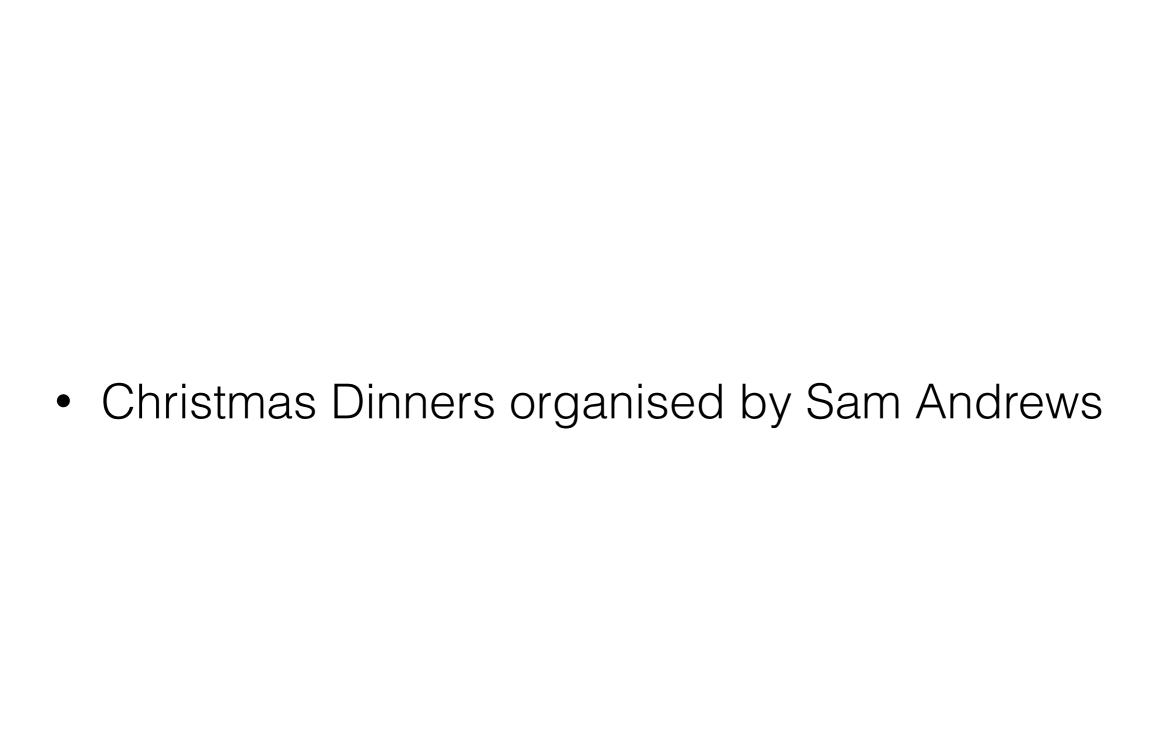
Remarkably, most of the buildings in the background in the previous view still feature as crowds admire a flotilla of yachts in July 1987, just after completion of the North Breakwater. This was the first phase in the major marina scheme in Bangor Bay although demands

#### C·I·B·C

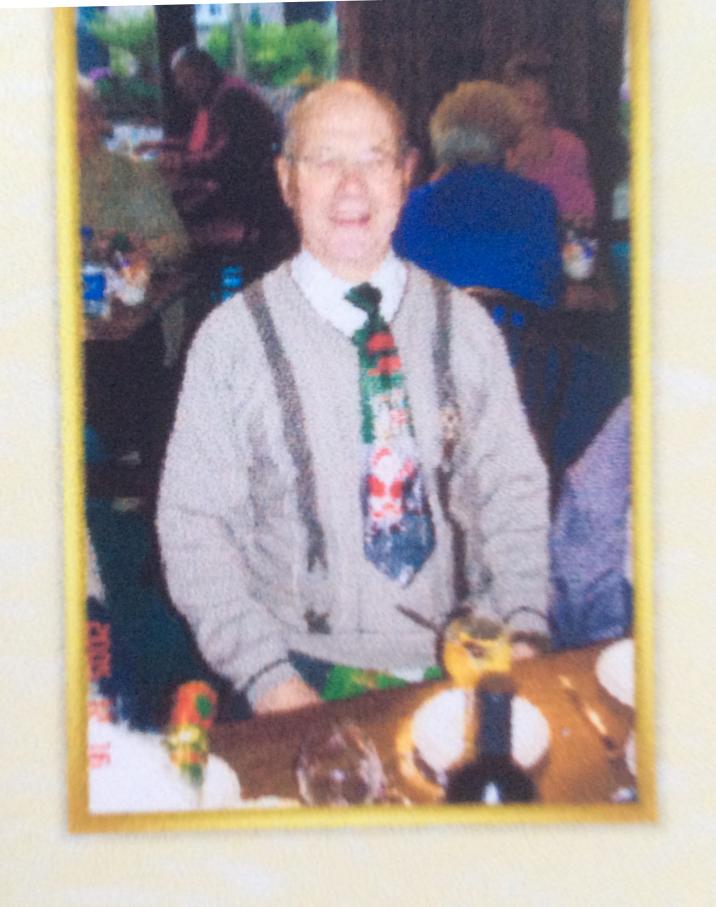
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1974-75	D.F.J. McAuley
1975-76	D. Mclinnes
1976-77	W.O. Crowe
1977-78	
1978-79	N. Mc Veigh
1979-80	G.C. Foster
	J.S. Baxter
1980-81	J.R. Gibb
1981-82	N. Trimble
1982-83	D.F.J. McAuley
1983-84	D.A. Davies
1984:85	W. Wickens
1985-86	J. Howell
1986-87	S.D. Andrews
1987-88	J. Cleary
1988-89	H.T.G. Armstrong
1989-90	D.L. M <sup>c</sup> Veigh
1990-91	M.S. Boal
1991-92	J. Cleary
1992-93	T. Blemings
1993-94	P. Kerr (Ms.)
1994-95	C.H.Gardner
	P.Black

1996 W. Simpson 1997 T. Wright 1998 J. Bell 1999 P. Crothers 2000 C. Gardner 2001 J. Cleary 2002 J. Bell 2003 R. Rowley 2004 N. McVeigh 2005 W. Simpson 2006 A.Armour 2007 J. D'Arcy 2008 J. Caughey 2009 W. Wickens 2010 D. Ritchie 2011 F. Smyth 2012 T. Caulfield 2014 L. Bunting 2015 S. Clarkson 2017 R. King







Fancy that tie.??







Molly and Syd

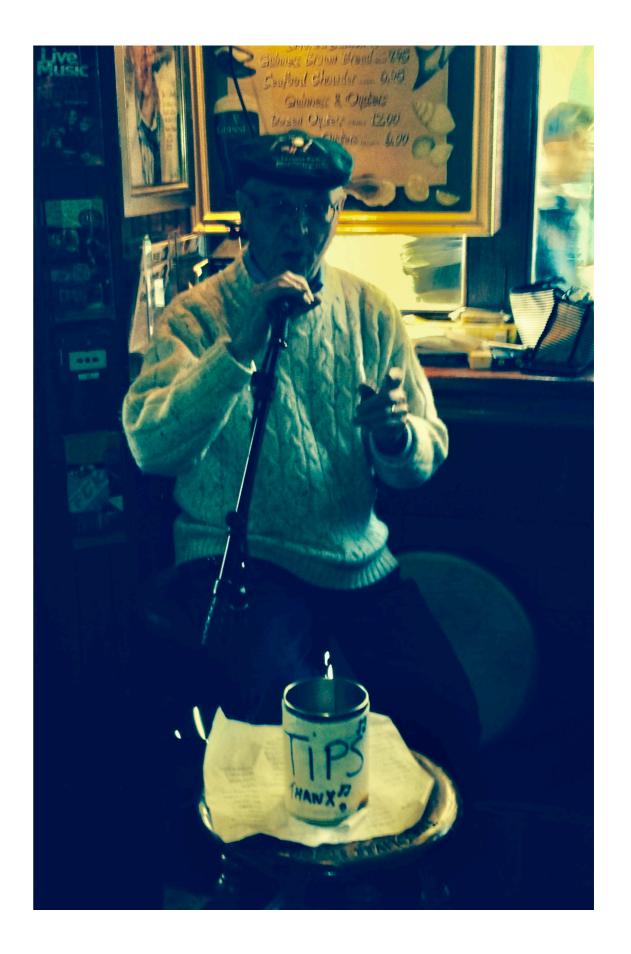
## Ritchie's Rovers







## Sam starring in Temple Bar















One of our young at heart long standing members relaxing on a day out.

