

YOU WON'T GET A GUN ON THAT! A SEA JET FOR THE SAS



Once again time for the imagination to go into overdrive came along in the summer of 2002 and actually came to fruition a little later that year. See the October issue in of Marine Modelling in 2002 for the full story.

This model is a Robbe Kit which is available from most good model shops, and arrives with all the bits and bobs to build it, I have heard that it can be assembled very quickly if you settle for the bright yellow livery of the ABS plastic that it is manufactured in.

The extras that you will need are a motor and the usual electronic gizmo's, i.e. a speed controller and a servo, etc.

This imaginary SAS military version took considerably longer as I was determined to use a high performance motor rather than a normal run of the mill power drive. Also I wanted to carry out modifications to accommodate water cooling for both the motor and the speed controller. My concerns were the confined internal space would no doubt get quite warm with the motor and an eight cell pack all crammed into the small hull, especially with an up-rated motor drawing much higher current. An aluminium tray was designed for the battery which would absorb a lot of the heat also it needed to be adjustable fore and aft to facilitate altering the trim to suit the particular mission requirements. The receiver and speed controller are built into an aluminium module that can easily removed to accommodate ease of access for servicing to moving parts etc.

Initially water cooling was provided by a home designed internal convector system, however it has now been replaced by an external designed 'A' bracket which enables a water scoop to be positioned behind the twin propellers which works very well and has not had any detrimental effect on the models performance.

Now came the living up to my name bit!

I had to fit a gun on it, which as you will see turned out to be just the thing it needed to make it really different from the Yellow Perils.

It has the following working features the machine gun has electronic sound effects along with a red light in the end of the barrel when firing, the headlights work for night missions and the the red rear flashing light works to show me which way it is facing if operating at night.

The final touch was to place 007 Lt Commander Bond at the controls who is armed to the teeth and just looking for trouble! After all he is Licensed to Kill.

Hope you enjoy my efforts, she is also one of a kind!
Stan Robinson



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