

GASKIN UNSINKABLE LIFEBOAT.

Demonstration of tests with model.

Hove Lagoon. 10am. Wed. 10.6.53.

Would the cameraman please collect Mr. Gaskin and his model just before 10am. at 40 Tisbury Road, Hove, and take him to the Lagoon. 40 Tisbury Rd. is next door to Hove Town Hall, on the right hand side coming from the Station.

Hove Lagoon is at the extreme west end of Hove, on the sea front.

At the Lagoon meet Mr. Barter, the Mayor of Hove's secretary, and also probably the Mayor himself. (10 a.m.)

For the purpose of the tests requiring the model to be dropped into the water, Mr. Barter is laying-on an electrician's tower. The greatest depth of water in the Lagoon is 3'6", but this should be sufficient for the submerged test.

Details of all the tests:

1. Boat taken to the bottom of the water and fully submerged, comes up and empties itself.
2. Boat is dropped from height of 25ft. flat showing boat falling on air cushion brakes fall into water with big splash.
3. Boat thrown in water from 25ft. on her side. Picture will show model in mid-air turning round to fall flat right way up before hitting the water.
4. Boat thrown in upside down.
5. Boat filled with water with hosepipe, then valves open to dry boat.
6. Specially important test - Boat on one side supporting its own weight of another model on top as nested on ships. This shows it cannot be capsized, and what has to be done to free the two boats the right way up. Also a very interesting method of separation in the water, showing how one man could undo the lashings in high seas.

*An' lashed under boat amount to 6 tons (35 ft tons)*