

# B&DSME News

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## Chairmans Thoughts

We have had another good evening with the Brownies, thanks to all those who helped. I believe they would like to make it a regular booking.

By the time you read this the hole by the platform should be filled in with the new concrete base ready for the new building. Once the building is up we will need some help with the painting of it so get those paint brushes out. I still do not know the final colour from the planning department.

On the subject of help we still need somebody to come forward to take on the task to make the body for the new club battery electric.

I also believe some help would be appreciated on the new trolleys.

On Sunday I went to the track with the clubs Speedy in the boot full of enthusiasm and looking forward to running around the track. It was filled up with water, fire lit, once over with the oil can and proceeded to put the blower on and still looking good. Steam steadily rising then where's all this steam escaping from but the from front end. Help was called for and it was decided best to drop the fire and call it a day. The boiler needs some serious attention can any body help with this? ■

## Forthcoming Events by other societies

**Southern Railway Rally** 21 - 22nd May. 10:30 - 5.00 each day. Leatherhead, Surrey Contact J.Cook for details 020 8387 3932. **Southern Federation Spring Rally** Scunthorpe 21 - 22nd May 10 - 4:30 details from [www.scunthorpesme.co.uk](http://www.scunthorpesme.co.uk) **Strumpshaw Steam Museum Rally** 28 - 30th May Contact L. Butcher 01842 860832 for details.

**Peteborough Society Miniature Locomotive Rally** 11 - 12th June Contact T.Meeks on 01778 345142 for details. **Cardiff MES National Locomotive Rally** 11 - 12th June Contact T.Jenkins on 029 2075 5568 for details. **West Riding Small Locomotive Steam Rally** 11 - 12th June. **Model Steam Road Vehicle Society** 25 - 26th June Tewkesbury Rugby Club Contact C.Stubbings on 01926 815305 for details.

**Peterborough SME 9th Miniature Traction engine rally** 16 - 17th July 9:30 - 5:00 each day Contact P.Jackson on 07712 980196 for details.

**Harrow & Wembley SME Open days**, 11 - 12 June, 27 - 29th August 10 - 6 each day contact R.Greenhill on 020 8248 0442 for details. ■

## From Brian

**MJ Engineering Open Weekend** 21 - 22 May 2005-05-11 We have a couple of display tables booked for this event and need the loan of models to exhibit over the two days. Please can you consider if you would like to support this event and contact Dick Ganderton with your models and help on 01202 822701 as soon as possible.

**Polly's in the Park** Saturday 18 June 2005-05-11 Those of you who read the "what's on" part of the newsletter will know that we have an event for owners of Polly locomotives. This will be the first official Polly owners' meeting to be held in the South of England and I hope it will be reported in the model engineering press. Because we are providing food in the shape of bacon sandwiches for breakfast and a BBQ in the evening, a charge will have to be made of £7.50, even Bournemouth & District Society of Model Engineers members. If however you don't want to eat the food, there is no charge of course. Richard Harvey would like to know who is planning to come and for the hungry people, receive their payment. He can be contacted on 01202 481100.

**Evening at Moors Valley Railway** Friday 24 June 2005-05-11 from about 7.30 onwards. If you have not attended one of these evenings before to avoid paying for car parking follow the sign directing you to the golf. This will lead to an official looking barrier that lifts when the button is pressed, so that you can drive up to the side of the miniature railway. The Southampton ME Society and Wimborne "O" Guild have also been invited to join us, so if you see unfamiliar faces please be friendly to them! The cost for the evening is £2.50 for children and £3.50 for adults. Tickets are available from Brian Merrifield 01202 683701. ■

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May News

# Diary Dates

15-May-05 Traction Engine Day Littledown

18-May-05 Paul Carter How to stick things together

8-Jun-05 Wimborne Gauge O Guild BBQ Littledown

15-Jun-05 Chris Harris Bullied Pacifics

17-Jun-05 Andy Clark - Polly Models Muscliffe centre

18-Jun-05 Polly's in The Park

19-Jun-05 Club Open Day

22-Jun-05 Wimborne Gauge O Guild

9&10/Jul-05 JP Morgan TBC

20-Jul-05 AGM

24-Jul-05 Charity Day Chrones & Colitis Association

30/31-Jul-05 Luscombe Valley Grand charity day Prostrate Cancer

7-Aug-05 Hardanger Demo Nicki Merrifield

17-Aug-05 BBQ Littledown

10/11-Sep-05 Luscombe Valley Autumn Run

21-Sep-05 tbc

25-Sep-05 Funlec Volunteers needed to assist Dick Ganderton to run this event

19-Oct-05 tbc

16-Nov-05 tbc

18-Dec-05 Santa Special TBC

21-Dec-05 Christmas Party

24-Dec-05 Luscombe Valley Humbug Day

## Polly Model Engineering

### Evening Talk

We are having a talk on the history of Polly Model Engineering at the Muscliffe Community Centre, Friday 17th June at 7:30pm Bruce Engineering will also be in attendance. We will be holding a raffle that evening, which will culminate in the draw at the Polly rally on the Saturday with lots of prizes. Please try and support this event as it has been extremely hard and costly to organise.

## This Months Competition

Q1 Wher in your body would you find the anvil & the stirrup?

Q2 What is the plural of axis?

Q3 What does the word Laser stand for?

Q4 What was used to drive Charles Babbages calculating machine, known as the first computer?

## Last Months Competition

Q1 Euclid

Q2 Friendship7

Q3 PolyvinylChloride

Q4 Copper

## And Finally

There was once a man and woman who had been married for more than 60 years. They had shared everything. They had talked about everything. They had kept no secrets from each other except that the little old woman had a shoe box in the top of her closet that she had cautioned her husband never to open or ask her about. For all of these years, he had never thought about the box, but one day, the little old woman got very sick and the doctor said she would not recover. In trying to sort out their affairs, the little old man took down the shoe box and took it to his wife's bedside. She agreed that it was time that he should know what was in the box. When he opened it, he found two crocheted doilies and a stack of money totaling £25,000. He asked her about the contents. "When we were to be married," She said, "my grandmother told me the secret of a happy marriage was to never argue. She told me that if I ever got angry with you I should just keep quiet and crochet a doily." The little old man was so moved he had to fight back tears. Only two precious doilies were in the box. She had only been angry with him two times in all those years of living and loving. He almost burst with happiness. "Honey," he said, "that explains the doilies, but what about all of this money? Where did it come from?"

"Oh," she said, " that's the money I made from selling the doilies."

