

Chairman's Thoughts

The Annual Dinner at the Crooked Beam was well attended last month and I believe all went off well.

The Committee will be discussing the new Boiler Regulations that came into force on 1st January this year. Two members of the Committee attended a presentation and it is proposed to have an open discussion on the new Boiler Testing Code at the next club night so they can explain and show us the new documentation.

Monthly Meetings at the Muscliff Community Centre help to pay for all the free drinks that are available at the track throughout the year, so please ensure you put your money in the box provided.

Committee Member.

on a Wednesday in Littledown car park please note they only allow a maximum of 3 Hours - you could get a ticket

Our Charity Day will be in August, but the charity we are going to support this year has still to be agreed. Have

David Martin

Editor's Ramblings

Littledown Castle is starting to take shape. The six wheels have been CNC machined for us by Andy Clarke at

for testing. John Hoyle's picture shows

au fait



Certificate is still valid until its expiry date, as is your current Steam Test. Certificate For owners of small boilers under 3 bar litres the Hydraulic Certificate is valid for the life of the boiler. You still need to have an Annual Inspection, but now you will get a Certificate. The Committee has

At the Meeting this coming Wednesday evening, John Hoyle and myself will give a presentation on the new Boiler Testing Code. This is not intended to cover whether or not we should be complying with the Code, but how it works and what, if

Dick Ganderton

Committee Meeting

The March Committee Meeting will be held in the Gallery Room at the Littledown Centre at 7.30pm on Wednesday

The Minutes of the February Committee Meeting will be available for perusal at the February Meeting.

George Wheatley, Secretary

Direction of Running

permitting. The next dates are 17

Engine Shed Mobile Phone

07879355399, is on the 'Contacts' page of the Society's Website www.littledownrailway.co.uk

Membership Renewal Forms

The Committee has been mindful for some time of the need to rationalise how Subscriptions are paid and recorded

Newsletter

George Wheatley, Secretary

B&DSME Diary Dates.

February 2013	Monthly Meeting; 7.30 pm. Muscliffe Community Centre. <i>The new Boiler Testing Code. Dick Ganderton and John Hoyle.</i>
March 2013	Tech-Chat (Informal Discussion Meeting); 7.00 for 7.30 pm. <i>John Hoyle. Please let John know if you are attending.</i>
March 2013	Monthly Meeting; 7.30 pm. Muscliffe Community Centre. <i>Richard Knott's Annual Video Show.</i>
April 2013	Tech-Chat (Informal Discussion Meeting); 7.00 for 7.30 pm. <i>. Please let Gordon know if you are attending.</i>
April 2013	Monthly Meeting; 7.30 pm. Muscliffe Community Centre. <i>Topic to be decided.</i>

More Dates For Your Diary

Modelling & Hobbies Exhibition. Michael Herbert Hall, South Street, Wilton SP2 0JS.

Luscombe Valley Happenings

www.luscombevalleysteam.com

Cobweb Run	April 20
Gala Weekend	July 27

Newsletter By E-mail

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InDesign CS5 v7.0 on an Apple Mac mini 2.3GHz Intel Core

16mm Update

the Southern Federation (Green Book). We would advise waiting until we hear back from the B&DSME Committee with

Walter Midgley. We will update in the next Newsletter

Gordon Miles & Dave White

Merlin's Mutterings

Not much this time other than trolley news. This last few weeks all trolley wheels have been re-machined bringing them back to the standard SMEE profile. This has been done by David Finn, in all a total of 56 wheels, thanks Dave. This has involved completely stripping all of the bogies, putting them back together again, fitting return springs to the brakes and adjusting same, at which John Hancock has become quite adept, so thanks to John, Bob and Dave Martin for all of their help.

glue it to the bottom of your tank. The red carpet is available at Littledown. David and I will EXPECT a piece of protective material to be

that leaving the backs attached to the trolleys could make things difficult to clamber into the tunnel should a problem occur, we are now

Board in the Engine Shed, so please always read the Notice Board for any updates - not just for trolley news. Any comments, ideas or

Merlin

Who would like to help build *Littledown Castle* - the new club passenger hauler?

Sheddon Wheels. In order to proceed as rapidly as possible the Committee asked a small team

Shed



Littledown Castle,

Criccieth Castle

phase. Currently the frames and axleboxes are assembled, the wheels are being finished and we are about to order the next tranche of materials, which includes

constructional
help I am looking for; broadly the design of the locomotive is finalised, but the

Join in now!

John Hoyle