



Announcement

At the recent May Committee meeting, Mr & Mrs Barson and Mr Roberts resigned from their respective positions of Secretary, Committee Member and Chairman. At a Directors Meeting, held on the 11th May, the Vice-chairman, Mr Burton was asked to become Chairman, which he accepted, and Mr Wheatley agreed to take back the secretarial duties he had previously carried out.

Editor's Ramblings

John England's talk entitled *Acorns Urgently Needed* at last month's Meeting proved to be very interesting. However, it would be better if more Members turned up to the monthly Meetings. So, how do we make this happen? All ideas are welcome.

I was asked just before the last time Graham Smith presented one of his film shows what the subject of the films would be. Apart from telling him that at least one of the films would have railway interest I had no idea. So, he didn't turn up and missed as really good film on the White Pass & Yukon Railway! This month we have another of Graham's shows, as always professionally put together - I find the way he links the films together with old trailers and adverts to be almost as interesting as the films themselves - and I am looking forward to being pleasantly surprised by the subject of the second half film.

On Thursday 1st June 2017 we will be hosting the Verwood Salvation Army CAMEO Club to our railway. Margery will be serving them a cream tea and we will need some help from Members for the afternoon to provide rides and entertain them. Please let me know if you can help - e-mail is best.

At the Directors Meeting, held on the 11th May plans were discussed to make the Society more inclusive, which will enable Members to be more involved in the activities of the Society, and have more of a say in its future. These plans will be communicated to all Members in the coming weeks.

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B&DSME Diary Dates

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| 17 th May 2017 | Monthly Meeting; 7.30 pm Muscliff Community Centre, Shillingstone Drive, Bournemouth BH9 3LR.
<i>Graham Smith has stood in at the last moment and will present another of his professional film shows. As always there will be a railway orientated film in the second half.</i> |
| 20 th May 2017 | The Polly Owners Group Spring Rally at Littledown Miniature Railway.
<i>This is a Saturday event. Could Members volunteer to help, please. All Members are invited to join the party from around 5pm when we will have a BBQ for Members and our POG visitors.</i> |
| 1 st June 2017 | Tech-Chat (Informal Discussion Meeting); 7.00 for 7.30 pm.
<i>Gordon Miles, 53, The Glade, Ashley Heath, Ringwood, BH24 2HR.
Please let Gordon know. 01425 472010.</i> |
| 14 th June 2017 | Visit to GOG; 7.30 pm. Allendale Centre, Wimborne.
<i>We are guests of the Gauge 0 Guild. Take your 0 Gauge and 16mm trains to run on their test track. Always a very good evening and well worth making the effort.</i> |
| 21 st June 2017 | Monthly Meeting; 7.30 pm. Littledown Miniature Railway.
<i>Barbeque. We will be inviting members of the Gauge 0 Guild, Gauge 1 Association and MERG Local Area Groups to join us for the evening.</i> |

16mm Track Cover Puzzle

The Garden Railway track covers are all slightly different and are not yet numbered. Normally, if just dropped below their respective positions when the track is opened there is no trouble, but pile them in a heap and it took three of us 20 minutes to sort out - and now it's not quite right!



Sheddon Wheals

Progress has been made. The new batteries have been delivered and they definitely make the springs work for a living - amperehours are mighty heavy!

Bruce and Derek have been busy on the new aluminium body and have now fitted it round Neil's electronics.



HARLINGTON LOCOMOTIVE SOCIETY

Affiliated to the Southern Federation of Model Engineering Societies

Visiting Clubs Day

Saturday 17th June 2017 from 10 am to 5 pm

Harlington would like to extend an invitation to you and your members to come along on Saturday 17th June to run your engines on our track.

Our club has 1200ft of 5" & 3½", raised steel track in private grounds with a ruling gradient of 1 in 120. We will provide driving trolleys and to avoid the risk of damage to our anti-tipping rails, we would ask that you use these and not your own. They have a simple bar coupling for connecting to the locomotive.

A current boiler certificate (where appropriate) and insurance certificate will be required.

There is on site car parking and refreshments will be provided for all visitors.

We look forward to seeing you at Harlington and if you are able to come then can you please let our secretary know of approximate numbers in your party so that we can ensure there is adequate catering.

Kind regards

HLS Committee

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