

## Club Information

### Committee Members

Les Pace (Chair Person)  
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### Club Membership Rates

Club membership runs from August to July or part of the calendar year, and ALL expire on the last calendar day of July, becoming due for renewal on the first of August.  
Adult membership £35 per year, Junior membership £10 per year.

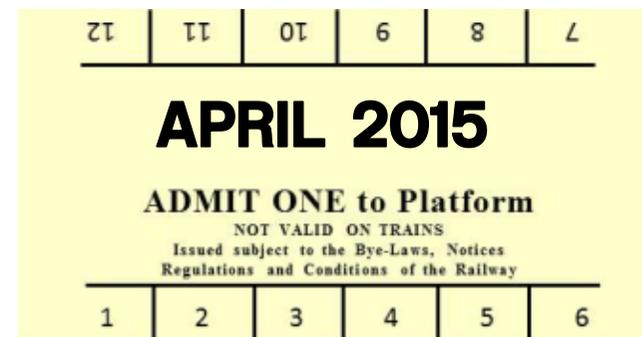
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*Between the Lines*



# Newsletter



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### Rules for Club Night Attendance

- Please park your vehicle with consideration for the flat occupants when parking outside the Kingsthorpe Community Centre.
- If you make a drink, please wash your cup/spoon up afterwards. Please wipe up any spillages.
- Don't create congestion in the kitchen. Please get your drink and return to the main hall.
- Have you paid your subs? The money is mainly used to pay our Wednesday night hall rental, plus the cost of drinks. £1.50 per person please.
- Please put away any tools, layouts, tables and chairs you've used at the end of the evening.
- A clear passage way MUST be maintained in the entrance lobby area as an emergency exit. Also please keep ALL other emergency exits accessible at ALL times.
- Please sign in at each attendance. This ensures we know who to account for in the event of an emergency evacuation.

Current membership : 4 Junior Members  
(correct at time of going to press) 29 Members

## NOTICE BOARD



### TOMBOLA

Will members please bring in a small prize gift each month for the Club's Exhibition Tombola. Keep an eye out for any supermarket special offers for example. A prize should be worth at least £1, be new or in very good condition and if perishable be 'in-date' by the end of September 2015.

There is a plastic crate in our Club cupboard for tombola items to be collected and stored in.

On a Wednesday night nearer the exhibition the cloakroom ticket numbers will need sticking on the prizes and the corresponding draw ticket folding and putting in the draw drum. We still need help with this please.

### Club Regalia—Update

For those who have recently ordered Club regalia; the order has been sent to our suppliers. They are estimating that our garments should be ready by the end of April.

### Club Cupboard Room Clear Out

Our Club room at Kingsthorpe needs another clear out. As you may have well noticed its packed out with stuff again.. We don't have the garage anymore that we can archive things off to. In order to have the clear out we have booked the Kingsthorpe Community Centre on Thursday April 30th from 14:00 until 17:00. As many as possible to help please. Also we would be grateful if you could take any non wanted items away for disposal at one of the recycling centres aka "The Tip".

## The Treasurers Gripe

### Club Accounting Procedure - Claims & Submissions

There has been a habit of late creeping into the Club whereby Club members claiming expenses and/or paying in funds are doing their own thing. They probably think by using their initiative they are helping the treasurer; but in fact the opposite is the case.

I'm not going into details of the latest incident, but below I will state the procedure that is to be adhered to from now on .

- 1) Any member submitting a claim will give the invoice/ receipt to the treasurer. All claims must have supporting documentation. The treasurer will on receipt of the claim arrange reimbursement.
- 2) Any members paying funds into the Club (cash or cheque) from the sale of Club stock or commission on the sale of personal stock etc must go through our Sales Officer—John Walker. John will then liaise with the treasurer.
- 3) Any other financial transactions e.g. donations, deposits (for goods or services) will be dealt with by the treasurer.

If you have a situation whereby for example you wish to submit items under sections 1 and 2 above, simultaneously, then please keep them separate— claims relating to 1) go to the treasurer and submissions relating to 2) go to John. Maintaining the Clubs accounts is an involved job as it is with unnecessary complications being created.

Thank you. Colin Tarry

## From the Editors **Cab Window**

Normally in the newsletter I would print a summary of the Clubs last committee meeting notes. Due to this meeting falling at the end of March there wasn't time or room to put it in this issue. Once the minutes have been composed I will email out a separate summary.

*Colin*



## Club Torque

### Next Thursday P.M. Club Meetings

From 14:00—17:00 on the following Thursdays :

- 9th April — General layout building
- 30th April— Cupboard Clear Out (see page 6)

### Date of next Committee Meeting

A date for the next committee meeting is Monday 20th April. If there are any items for the agenda, please let Richard have them ASAP.

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### Club Night Test Track Dates 2015

22ndth April, 13th May, 3rd & 24th June, 15th July, 5th & 26th August, 16th September, 7th & 28th October, 18th November and 9th December.



**ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

## Web Site of the Month

Fox Transfers have revamped their web site.

They state it is more useful and much easier to navigate than its predecessors including product pages with more detailed descriptions and images which can be enlarged to view better the sheet content.

They will be adding more information over a period of time to assist buyers in selecting the correct items for their requirements, including adding livery data sheets for your reference.

<http://fox-transfers.co.uk/>



## Britain's Youngest Mainline Driver Qualifies on 35028 'Clan Line' on 21st March 2015



Jim Clarke, 33, has become the youngest steam train driver to qualify on the mainline for nearly 50 years. He "passed out" as a qualified driver after he drove the Belmond British Pullman from London Victoria to Guildford, Surrey. And here is that drive, taken from the over bridge at

Chilworth in Surrey, on the 21st March 2015 British Pullman, with 35068 Clan Line.

Jim's father, Don, spent 49 years on the railway and said he was very proud of what his son had achieved.



## David Wainwright

I am pleased to be able to inform you that members of the Club donated £40 towards David's collection. A further £60 was given from Club funds enabling us to donate a fantastic £100 to the Cynthia Spencer Hospice in remembrance of David.



We also informed David's mother, Vivienne, of this. She rang me to say that she wished her sincere thanks to be passed onto all members of the Club for their generosity. Additionally she was also very pleased with the tribute that appeared in the February issue of the newsletter about David.



I discovered a new model making supplies shop based in London. Personally I was after 1 metre lengths of brass rod and found it here.

As well as offering a fantastic range of modelling materials they also have a modelshop workshop offering a number of bespoke services for model makers and designers. These services include photo etching, dry transfers, laser cutting, engraving, model trees, resin & metal casting. You can also sign up for a newsletter.

[www.modelshop.co.uk](http://www.modelshop.co.uk)