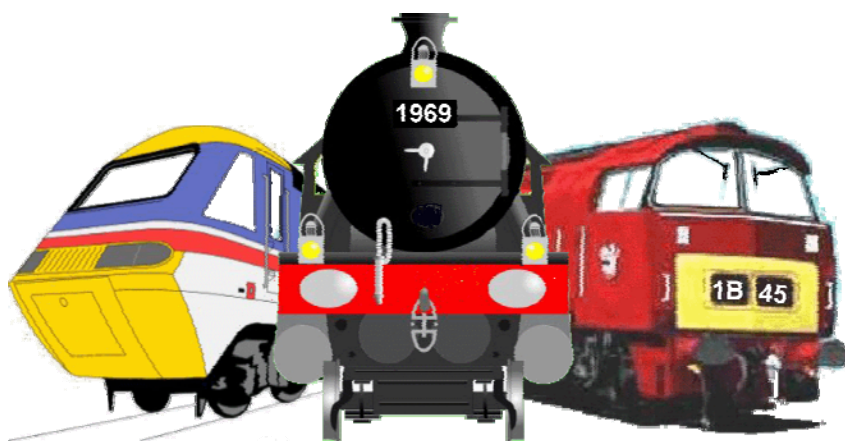
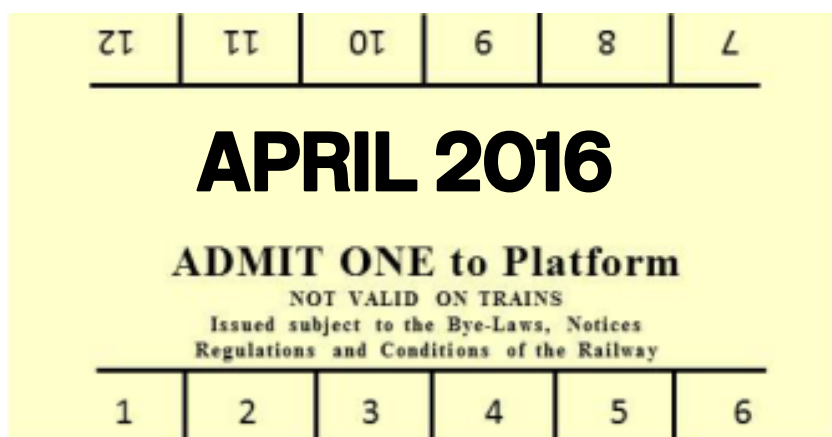


# Between the Lines



## Newsletter



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## **Rules for Club Night Attendance**

- 1) Please park your vehicle with consideration for the flat occupants when parking outside the Kingsthorpe Community Centre.
- 2) If you make a drink, please wash your cup/spoon up afterwards. Please wipe up any spillages.
- 3) Don't create congestion in the kitchen. Please get your drink and return to the main hall.
- 4) 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.
- 5) Please put away any tools, layouts, tables and chairs you've used at the end of the evening.
- 6) 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.
- 7) Please sign in at each attendance. This ensures we know who to account for in the event of an emergency evacuation.

Current membership :	3	Junior Members
(correct at time of going to press)	27	Members

## From the Editors **Cab Window**

In this issue Peter Escott Returns with some more pictures of his recent railway travels.

*Colin*



## Club Torque

### Welcome to New Member(s)

Junior member—Joseph Yoxall-James

### Next Thursday P.M. Club Meetings

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

- 14th April — Layout working day
- 28th April — Layout working day

### Date of next Committee Meeting

A date for the next committee will be on Monday 18th April. If there are any items for the agenda, please let Richard have them ASAP.

Email: [rjd156@btinternet.com](mailto:rjd156@btinternet.com)

### Club Night Test Track Dates 2016

13th April, 4th & 25th May, 15th June, 6th & 27th July, 17th August, 7th & 28th September, 19th October, 9th & 30th November, 21st December.



**ALL DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

## **Notes from the Committee Meeting held on Monday 14th March 2016**



### **Main Test Track**

Peter will be doing the OO insert, but presently doing the 3rd rail on Greenford Station area, so may not be complete by the GCR weekend in June . The new lift out section is still in hand.

### **Exhibition**

A plan is needed to ensure all the booked exhibitors/traders can be accommodated. Preference given to visiting exhibitors in the main parking space. NDMRC elements will be in gazebos if necessary. An Exhibition Manager still needed on the day and after for subsequent years. Preferable if Club equipment is taken on the Wednesday before straight to the hall and kept somewhere out of the way. RJD will check to see if hall lettings would permit this.

### **AOB**

#### **Secure Filing Cabinet**

New filing cabinet not yet ordered . May be cheaper to buy hasp, staple and padlock for the drawer(s) that need securing.

#### **Ian Harrison**

The Club has sent a donation for the RNLI to Ian Harrison's undertakers. (See page 9)

#### **Shunting Challenge**

The shunting Challenge is probably past its best and the Gauge One members are encouraged to develop it into a running layout.

## Falling Membership

It is felt that Members attendance is falling as there is little opportunity given for running trains. It is either work nights or test track. The cycle could be Test Track, work night and running night using Greenford, Kings Thorpe . Colin to draw up a schedule.

Kings Thorpe needs to be wired so that it can be run partially assembled to enable room for the N gauge and/or Juniors OO to be put up. Publicity to encourage new members in the light of this change.

February 2016 saw the lowest attendance figures for the 2015/16 membership year so far.

## Film Night

A Club member has suggested running the S&D "All Change at Evercreech Jct" in the light of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the closure this year of the line. The same again in September for the GCR?

Richard Deacon      Club Secretary

## Exhibition Flyers

Not that long to go to our exhibition in August. However we still have a great number of undistributed A6 flyers in the Club filing cabinet. If you are visiting any model railway exhibitions or other events, then please take some flyers for Joe Public. We need as much publicity as we can get.

### NORTHAMPTON & DISTRICT MODEL RAILWAY CLUB



#### MODEL RAILWAY EXHIBITION

SATURDAY 20th AUGUST 2016

from 10.00am to 4.30pm

Cogenhoe Village Hall      York Avenue

Cogenhoe      Northampton      NN7 1NB

Displaying a range of American, British &  
Continental layouts in several gauges and scenarios

Trade support -- Demonstrations -- Refreshments  
Societies -- Tombola

Adult £3    Child £2    Family Ticket (2+2) £7

[www.ndmrc.org](http://www.ndmrc.org)





## The Peter Escott Collection

Club member Peter Escott shares with us some more of his photos from his many travels visiting various railway haunts and special events.

Photos from Peter's collection last appeared in the November 2014 edition of this newsletter so its time we saw what he's been up to and where he has been.

Here are some pictures from a visit he made to the Great Central Railway during January this year during their Winter Steam Gala.



This page—Former Southern region locomotive No 777 *Sir Lamiel* at Woodhouse & Quorn station.





No 92220  
*Evening Star.*



[above] Battle of Britain class no  
34053 Sir Keith Park.

[right] ex LMS Ivatt Class 2 2-6-0.



## Exhibition Manager Wanted

The Club needs an exhibition manager for 2017. Any member of the Club who would like to take on this role please let any committee member know.

If we don't get anyone to take on this role then there will be NO exhibition in 2017. In fact there will be no further exhibitions until we do get an exhibition manager.

The job is nowhere as involved as it used to be as our exhibition have been down sized now we exhibit in a village hall.

Please give this matter some thought. There is no reason why it cannot be a shared role.



Whose this sitting outside his greenhouse?

Well if it isn't the Club chairman.

Yellow and brown were the nearest he could get to GWR colours.



## Club Regalia—LAST ORDERS

It's that time again to see who needs Club regalia. We have had some new members join the Club since the last order went in.

Order forms will be on the refreshment counter at Club meetings.

All items are available in sizes S, M, L, XL & XXL

Polo Shirts      £18.00

Sweat Shirts   £24.00

Fleece           £30.00

When ordering there is a deposit of £5.00 per item.



Here are two caged committee members modelling for us. On the left Michael is wearing a sweat shirt, and on the right Les is modelling a polo shirt.

Orders for Club regalia will close on Wednesday 6th April.

Birthday cake is probably the only food you can blow and spit on and still everybody rushes to get a piece.



# HOMework

## This Months Question:

Why have the old station platforms of the now closed Castlethorpe station (now in the Borough of Milton Keynes) on the West Coast Main Line , not been removed?

## Last Months Question:

Controversy has arisen over the removal of which creature from the design of a statue of Sir Nigel Gresley , due to be unveiled at Kings Cross Station in April? Answer: A Mallard (what else)



*John White*  
Incorporating R.T.Bodily • Everdon  
**FUNERAL DIRECTORS**



27 February 2016  
Our Ref 04174/KB/16

Dear Sir

Thank you for the kind donation of £20.00 from Northampton & District Model Railway Club received in memory of the late Mr Ian Bartlett Harrison. We will forward it on your behalf to the R.N.L.I., together with other donations received by us.

Yours sincerely

*Jane K. White*

for John White Funeral Directors

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R. John White MBIE, MBIFD, DipFD Jane K. White MBIFD, DipFD



# NOTICE BOARD



## Extra Thursday Afternoon Session

The following additional Thursday afternoon session has been booked for 2016 :-

14:00 to 17:00 hrs    April 28<sup>th</sup>

*NOTE This is the last extra currently booked.*

## Club Night—Dirty Mugs & Abandoned Drinks

In the July 2015 newsletter this issue was mentioned. It appears we've slipped back into our old ways again. Dirty mugs have been left out on Club nights all over the place. Some are just empty dirty mugs while others are abandoned drinks.

Rules for Club Night Attendance - Rule 2 states " If you make a drink, please wash your cup/spoon up afterwards. Please wipe up any spillages."

Will ALL members please adhere to this rule. Your wife, mother, girl friend is not at Club night to clear up after you. Every week Michael gets the thankless task of washing up after you.

# 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 2016.

There is a box 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



# Club Information

## Committee Members

Les Pace (Chair Person)  
Colin Tarry (Treasurer / Newsletter Editor)  
Richard Deacon (Secretary)  
Michael Castledine  
Roger Whiffin  
Ralph Morbey



Web site: [www.ndmrc.org](http://www.ndmrc.org)  
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Meeting Time: 19:30—22:00  
Venue: Kingsthorpe Community Centre,  
Thornton Hall Close, Kingsthorpe,  
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Secretary: tel: 01604 890275  
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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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