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# Rules for Club Night Attendance At Hardingstone

- 1) If you make a drink, please wash your cup/spoon up afterwards. Please wipe up any spillages. Cups to be returned to the kitchen.
- 2) Don't create congestion in the kitchen. Please get your drink and return to the main hall.
- 3) Have you paid your subs? The money is mainly used to pay our Friday night hall rental, plus the cost of drinks. £2 per person please.
- 4) Please put away any tools, layouts, tables and chairs when you've finished using them. The shed will be unlocked on request.
- 5) A clear passage way MUST be maintained in the entrance lobbies as they are emergency exits. Also please keep ALL other doors & exits accessible at ALL times.
- 6) The internal cupboard is to store small & valuable items only as space & access is restricted.
- 7) Please sign in at each attendance. This ensures we know who to account for in the event of an emergency evacuation.

### **ADVANCED NOTICE**

Will all members please note that the N&DMRC will NOT be meeting at Hardingstone on Friday 27th October as the hall is unavailable.

### From the Editors Cab

As we settle down into Hardingstone, we need to get back to some normality. This starts with the Test Track schedule which is listed out below.

In early September we are exhibiting the Test Track and
Jimmys End at the Loughborough show. Please see the poster on page
6. I have had the confirmation back from the SVMRC of our attendance.

Our attendance rules on page 2 have been amended—please read and act on.

Colin

# **CLUB TORQUE**

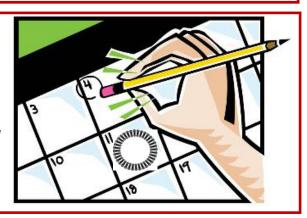
### **Date of next Committee Meeting**

A date for the next committee is Monday 7th August. If there are any items for the agenda, please let Richard have them ASAP.

Email: rjd156@btinternet.com

# Club Night Test Track Dates 2017

18th Aug, 8th & 29th Sep, 20th Oct, 10th Nov, 1st & 22nd Dec



# **Exhibition Flyers**

A large quantity of A6 size flyers have been printed to advertise our exhibition in August. When you know you will be attending any model railway exhibitions or any other transport show/event then please take a quantity of flyers with you to be handed out. These are kept in our filing cabinet drawer in the Club's store shed.





For the time being the attendance format is the same as now, except that we would like attendees to contribute £2.00 per weekly visit until we our membership subscriptions are sorted out at the AGM.

The Northampton & District Model Railway Club hereby give notice that the

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

will be held on Friday 8th September 2017 at Hardingstone Village Hall at 20:00

All members are requested to attend. This year we do have some important additions and changes to the Clubs Rules & Constitution that have resulted from our move to Hardingstone.

### HOMEWORK

Last months homework question was submitted by John Walker.

Here are the answers—



**Question 1** — Where was this picture taken?

Answer—Antigua museum as part of a display of old and refurbished engines.

**Question 2** — What work did I do?

Answer—90% were shunting duties of sugar cane wagons on the plantation and 10% on passengers (workers) also around the plantation.

The total length of all the lines was 7 miles.

During a royal visit in 1955 the plantation was viewed (including Marion) by Princess Margaret.

These were the clues you were given:

My name is 'Marion'

My class was "Brazil" but I never worked there

I have a 0-4-2 wheel arrangement

I did short track runs and shunting duties

In my prime 90% of my work did not involve passengers

In 1955 I was still working and met a Royal Princess

I am now retired (many years ago) but I always lived and worked in the sun

I never moved away and I am being looked after by a museum.



# LOUGHBOROUGH MODEL RAILWAY EXHIBITION



SOAR VALLEY MODEL RIALWAY CLUB WWW.SVMRC.CD.UK

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With an additional
6800 square feet the Exhibition
this year will be
held in 4 halls with over
60 Exhibits/Traders



# 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017

10:00am - 5:00pm (4:00pm on Sunday)

Loughborough Grammar School

Leicester Road, Loughborough LE11 2DU For car park use LE11 2AQ

Adults: £8

Concessions: £7

Children: £4

Family: £20 (2 Adults and up to 3 Children)

REFRESHMENTS

**DISABLED ACCESS** 

FREE CAR PARKING













### **New Test Track**



The club has spend nearly £4k on the new test track. It needs treating with respect. It has to last us for some considerable time to come. In order to keep the test track in its finest condition possible we are implementing some rules, which to date are as follows:-

- No Leaning on the Test Track. This layout has not been designed to take a persons weight. Its NOT a pub bar!
- No drinks to be placed on the Test Track.
- When assembling and dismantling treat each board with care. The new boards are a lot heavier than the previous ones so you may need help.
- When requiring access via the lift-up section make sure all train operators are aware in order that all trains can be stopped.

### Friday Before Our Exhibition

Will all members please note that the N&DMRC will still be meeting at Hardingstone on Friday 18th August despite our exhibition being the following day.

# Kings Thorpe— the Club's O Gauge Layout caters for a new breed of passenger?



What or who are GENTALMEN? Are these lofty males?



Whilst on holiday in Devon, Colin Tarry spies this sign at Paignton. Obviously its not true else a train would still be there.

Whilst on his holidays in Devon, Colin Tarry visited a museum in the St Marychurch area of Torquay. The museum was called Bygones. It held a this big surprise:



## **Dogbox no 153 325**

by Colin Tarry



[Left] Unit 153 325 at Newton Abbot on 17th July 2017

[Below] the same unit at night at Torquay on 16th July 2017 at 23:06. This was the last departure from Paignton that evening.

All photos Colin Tarry



[Left] The interior of Unit 153 325 whilst at Paignton on 16th July 2017.

In the summer of 2011, two London Midland Class 153s, 153325 and 153333 were allocated to the South West for strengthening purposes, based at Exeter (EZ) depot for the duration. This allocation was eventually made permanent.

Whilst photographing this unit at Torquay, one of the station staff there informed me that this unit would soon be returning to the London Midland and be re-livered. So its for this reason that I decided to take some photos of this Sprinter or "Dogbox" as they are nicknamed.

## Club Information

#### **Committee Members**

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

Stephen Lloyd (Publicity)



Web site: www.ndmrc.org

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Club Night: Friday

Meeting Time: 19:00-22:00

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### Non Committee Positions

Newsletter Editor Colin Tarry email: ndmrc@cjv.org.uk

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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

UNDER REVI last calendar day of July, becoming

due for renewal on the first of August.

Adult membership £35 per year, Junior membership £10 per year.

THIS CHANGES AFTER THE 2017 AGM IN SEPTEMBER