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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.

CLUB TORQUE

George Cook (New Junior member)

Joshua Allen (Returning member)

Jack Latchford (Returning member)



From the Editors Cab Window

(Cab window—A scene that can no longer be seen. The semaphores at Banbury have now gone along with the signal boxes.)

This is the first newsletter in the new A4 format. The A5 version will no longer be produced. As stated in the last newsletter the A4 version is a lot more flexible when it comes to adding or deleting pages.



There were no newsletters in September or October due to personal circumstances. How many of you noticed? Going by the comments I DIDN'T receive, not many of you! Production has hopefully resumed.

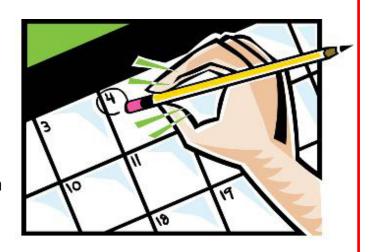
However production will be bi-monthly for the time being.

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Club Night Activities

We had been operating a system since the AGM whereby when scheduled Wednesday night activities were cancelled, the schedule was reset. After a two month trial it has been found not to work. Members are getting confused as to what activity should be on what night. Others members are turning up for activities that have been rescheduled. One issue is that not all members are on email so they are not aware of the timetable changes.

From the next time the main Test Track is set up the schedule will be written from that date going forward. If a particular activity is cancelled then it will not take place again until its scheduled date. As soon as the new schedule has been produced a copy will be distributed to all members.



Exhibition 2016



Above—A general view of the events in the Main Hall

Right— Uncoupling a wagon on the O gauge layout "Penpoll Quay"





Above & Right Gauge 1 layout
"Putnoe Halt"





Left—A display of model boats from the Northampton & District Model Boat Club

Right— Graham Jones operates his Z scale layout "Oberammergau"

Below—Natalie and Kyle running the Tombola stall







Left—Jim operates the Club's N gauge layout "Jimmys End"

Right— HO scale layout "Klapping"

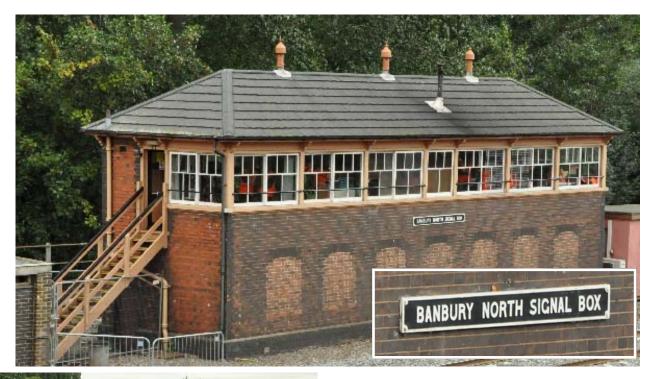


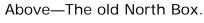
Left—The Club's sales tent doing brisk business

Changes at Banbury

The new signalling and track changes are now complete at Banbury. Until then Banbury was the last strong hold of any semaphore signalling and manual operated signal boxes left on the Chiltern line.

Here are some pictures of the new layout in both track and alterations at the station. All platforms have now been bi-directionally signalled and the former bay platform made to run through the station now. The old signal boxes still stand and are due for demolition in the middle of October.





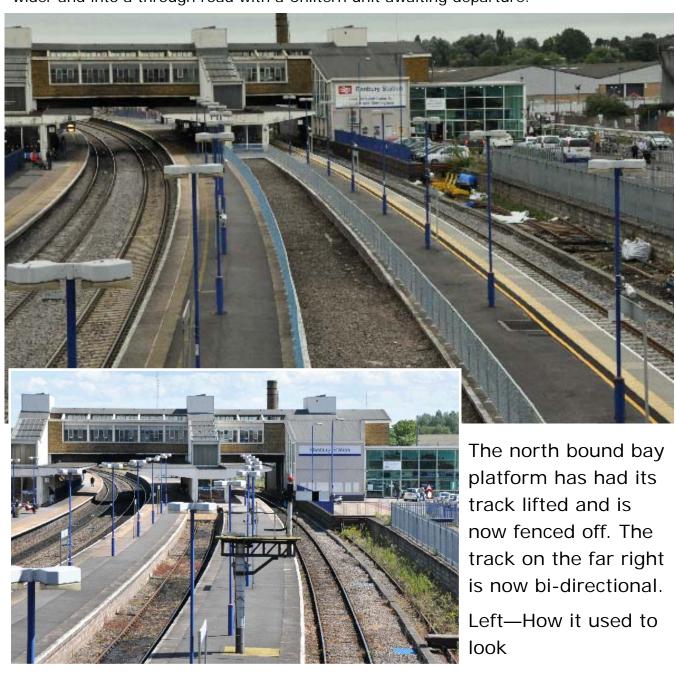
Left—The new track layout looking north to Birmingham.

Below—A pile of debris including parts of the old semaphore signals.





Banbury station after the changes. Note the former bay platform on the left now made wider and into a through road with a Chiltern unit awaiting departure.



NOTICE BOARD

Thursday Afternoon Sessions

ALL future Thursday afternoon sessions have been cancelled due to falling attendances.

Christmas Dinner 2016

Due to the lack of interest / support for a Christmas dinner we will not be holding this event this year.

However we are considering a New Year dinner / social/ get together and see if this type of event is more appealing to members. If you think this would be better then please let any committee member have your comments please.

Kingsthorpe Community Centre— Christmas / New Year Closure

The Kingsthorpe Community Centre will be closed from December 23rd until January 3rd. There will be NO club meetings on December 28th. We meet in the new year on January 4th.

Club Information

Committee Members

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



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Club Night: Wednesday

Meeting Time: 19:30—21:30

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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.