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The News Sheet

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Chairman's Comments



Another AGM is behind us and this time I find myself appointed as Chairman! I had previously thought that one day I should offer to undertake this high office. Well, you have called my bluff and here I am.

In contemplating my Chairman's comments I was mindful of our first Chairman's contribution in News Sheet No 1. (I refer to the facsimile issued last month, not the original issue – I am not that old). The Society members of 1945 would I hope be surprised at the vitality of the NLSME 73 years later. We have lost the aero section but gained others. The reminder to members that they joined the society and not sections has been a familiar refrain since I joined. I find that all sections, in the main, get along harmoniously. There are many instances of sections supporting each other to the mutual benefit of the society, rather more I think than is sometimes realised.

We have been fortunate to have a good Tyttenhanger Site Committee that has steered the track site through its extensive developments over recent years. At the AGM your past Chairman Ian noted that at such time as our landlords at HQ engage in discussions over lease renewal we can do something to improve the condition and facilities at HQ. A similar joint section approach will no doubt be forthcoming at that time.

The running season at Tyttenhanger has commenced. At time of writing one public session has been completed. This year's innovation incorporates passenger hauling out of Smallford station (that's the one in the car park) onto the main line returning to Smallford. Regretfully I was not present but feedback from members has been positive. No doubt that experiences gained will develop the operating methodology, but it is good to report that on first outing it has been a success.

Sunday 15th May heralded the first Toy Boat regatta of the year. Many visitors attended and the weather improved markedly on the day. The boats still got wet but only below the Plimsoll line. A very enjoyable day it was with raised track and ground level railways also in use by members and invited guests.

Fetes and Fairs section continue with their intensive schedule, nine days of attending various fetes and functions during May alone!

Which brings me to a significant announcement. Most members will be aware of the extraordinary and hugely significant contribution to the live steam aspects of our hobby by the late LBSC "Curly" Lawrence. Several of our members knew LBSC on a personal basis resulting in a close association between LBSC and the NLSME. Indeed following his death in 1966 a few NLSME members were tasked with dispersal of his locomotives. (The recipients were carefully chosen on the basis that they appreciated the significance of the locomotives that came into their ownership). LBSC's neighbour, Mavis, retained his personal papers. Following an approach from Mavis she has accepted an offer from the NLSME to own and keep safe those documents. We need to decide how to manage access for those of you that are interested in such matters. A requirement of our custodianship is that they are not left "lying about".

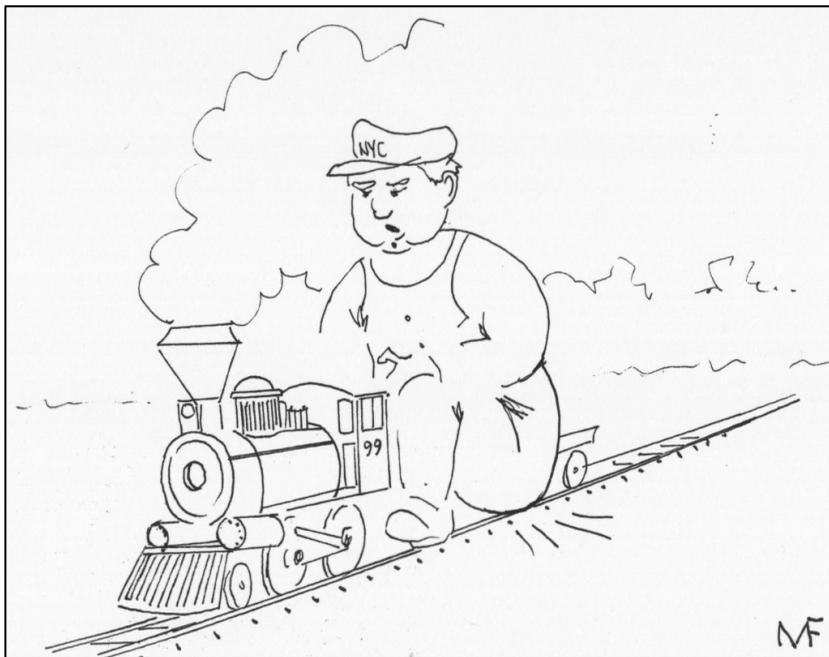
As spring progresses and summer arrives let's make full use of the facilities the NLSME has and provides. See you at track and/or HQ.

**Les B.
Chairman.**

Colchester MES Visiting us on 27th June 2018

Colchester MES are visiting us on Wednesday 27th June arriving from 10.00 am onwards. Raised track and possibly Ground Level railway will be operational and they will be aware of the Garden Railway being operational as well. Any one willing to be available that day to assist would be welcome, please contact Alan M if you can attend.

We have also been invited back to Colchester on a date yet to be agreed. Please let Alan M know if you are interested in going."



Fred still having 'Big end' problems by Mike Franklin

The N.L.S.M.E. visit to Fareham has been arranged for Saturday the 9th of June. I would be obliged if members intending to go would let me know as soon as possible please so that Fareham can make the appropriate arrangements regarding catering etc. Fareham have an excellent pond, a Gauge "0" track as well as the usual 3 1/2", 5" and 7 1/4" railways. To round the day off we usually gather at a local (Kings Langley) hostelry for a meal on the way home. I can be contacted by telephone see membership list, e-mail, or at the usual meeting places.

Thank you, Mick A.

Forthcoming General Meetings

Unless otherwise indicated General Meetings begin at 8pm at our Legion Way Headquarters in North Finchley, usually ending at about 10pm. All members are welcome and we are always happy to see friends and family attending. We hope for a good attendance to support speakers. Please remember that many of the meetings depend on the club to provide the catalyst for a stupendous evening. For more information please ring me.

Friday 1st June. First Aid at Colney Heath. First Aid at Colney Heath and the World. **Seven pm Start.** Now that the evenings are getting longer, this is an opportunity to have a much needed talk about First Aid, including the new AED machine. All members and interested parties are very welcome. Members from the HQ that don't often venture into the countryside will have an interesting and useful time listening to information and advice on First Aid relevant to our hobby. (They will also have the opportunity to inspect the site) Verity will lead us through the mysteries of resuscitation. Remember the compelling talk and demonstration Verity gave at Headquarters last year?

Friday 6th July. BBQ at Colney Heath. This year instead of tomato soup it is to be vegetable with sausages as before. Please come along and join in but try to let me know how many sausages you will need! Come for a nice sausage and soup and a chatter. Bring the missus to see what you get up to.

Ian J
General Meetings Co-ordinator

NLSME AGM 2018

Ian opened the meeting by welcoming the members who had left their gardens unattended on a very fine spring evening. The fire and safety instructions were explained, and fire warden appointed.

The scribe surveyed the group and registered that there was a good quorum with the usual surfeit of the Clan Mikes and folk that wished they had been christened Mike.



The meeting had opened promptly at eight and after the apologies for absence were given. A minute of silence was reserved for those members who had sadly died during the year, including Dick H who was an old friend of the Club.

The Minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting were received and with no matters arising it was on with the Chairman's report, which was the duty of Ian to give. This was very positive in that he had enjoyed the year as Chairman and if he had enjoyed the year he was jolly sure that everyone else must have enjoyed it as well. All the sections had flourished with larger attendances than

last year; and work at the site at Colney Heath proceeding seamlessly right up to the first public opening of the year. The report was well received by the members. The Club was going in the correct direction and that the membership had the correct perception of how it should behave, in that model engineering was their hobby and that it should be enjoyable. That model engineering was their pleasure and was one of satisfaction when things 'went right' and their joy in achievement.

Then it was the turn of the Treasurer who tendered his report of his accounts to 31st March 2018. The reports were sound and the Club in good financial fettle with the prudent financial guidance administered by the Treasurer. These were approved of by the membership who voted NemCom in favour.



A vote of thanks was given to the 'Auditors' who were gratefully appointed by the Society for the next 12 months.

A proposer and a seconder for the vote of thanks to the Officers were easily volunteered from the ranks of Mikes and enthusiastically voted nemcom. The pleasant task of the election of the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer for the next twelve months was accomplished. The present team continued with Les

taking the Chairman's post and Ian reverting to Vice Chairman. Les gave thanks for the trust the members had in him as Chairman saying that he was looking forward to working with the Club and to supervising the developments in the forthcoming year.

A vote of grateful thanks for the Council Members and News Sheet Editor was given. The same team re-elected; the members being more than satisfied with their performances and the Society very satisfied with the Editor.

There being no further business to transact the meeting was drawn to a conclusion at three minutes shorter than the year before. The sections resident at HQ then threw their doors open to all members some of whom had not visited the building before. The modelling skills and enjoyment were easy to see at all sections.



Our new Chairman chatting with the '00' lads

Soon it was time to leave HQ with the happy throng driving perhaps to various hostelrys for a nightcap before returning to their homes, Mikes and all.

THE NORTH LONDON SOCIETY OF MODEL ENGINEERS

'PRESIDENTS AND OFFICERS'

The following information kindly compiled by George M

Patron: "Curly" Lawrence accepted the offer to become Patron of the Society, reported in issue 28, January 1948, and remained Patron until his death on 4th November 1967. The office of Patron then lapsed.

President: Mr R C Henley, considered the founder of the Society, was the first President. Subsequent Presidents have been Chairmen of the Barnet & District Water Company and its successors, the Lea Valley Water Company and the Three Valleys Water Company, as listed in *News Sheet* issues:

Issue 28, October 1946 – Mr E Stace (dec'd 1971)

Issue 275, June 1971 – Lt. Col J F Todhunter

Issue 347, July 1977 – A H Faulkner

Issue 439, June 1984 – J McGown

Issue 602, April 2000 – David Alexander

Issue 658, May 2005 – Peter Darby.

Officers of the Society as reported (not necessarily immediately) in the *News Sheet*:

Issue No.	Chairman	Vice-Chairman	Secretary	Treasurer	Editor(s)
1 8/45	G A Flanagan		L Sparey	Mrs Sparey	
2 9/45	"		E A Guttridge	S C Palmer	
	"		"	"	
7 8/46	"		Asst. Sec N M Dyer	D G Gordon	A J Bradley
17 6/47	"	L R Durley	N M Dyer	W H Vaughan	"
41 6/49	L R Durley	F A Nutter	W W Ransom	W H Vaughan	"
66 7.51	M E Moon	J E R Wuidart	"	L J Henson	"
		New post: Librarian – Harry Brookes			
72 1-2/52	"	J E R Wuidart	W W Ransom	L J Henson	H Brookes
75 7-8/52	"	"	"	E A Every-Claydon	"
81 7-8/53	"	"	"	"	"
87 7-8/54	"	H Brookes	"	"	"
		Social Organiser: R A Probert. SMEE Delegate L J Henson			
		P R O - E C Hobday			
5-6/55	J E R Wuidart	-	D G Gordon	E A Every-Claydon	H Brookes

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98 5-6/56	"	G M Cashmore	"	W W Ransom	A J Bradley
110 6/57	G M Cashmore	W R Lee	"	"	"
122 6/58	"	R J N McLachlan	W Hancock	"	"
134 6/59	H Brookes	"	"	J Calderbank	"
170 6/62	R J M McLachlan	-	"	"	D G Gordon
182 6/63	"	T G Luxford	"	"	"
193 6/64	L Brooks	S I Brett	"	"	"
218 6/66	"	"	E J Pritchard	"	H T Pitt
229 6/67	"	"	"	R Tingey	"
234 12/67	Death of 'LBSC' Reported				
240 6/68	M E Moon	-	"	"	"
251 6/69	"	-	"	"	Pauline Carman
265 8/70	"	E Simes	"	"	"
275 6/71	"	"	(acting) D G Gordon	A J Marchant	J Calderbank
287 6/72	"	"	H S Hodding	"	"
300 7/73	"	"	"	C Drayson	"
311 6/74	G C Wren	"	M J Radford	"	"
322 6/75	"	"	"	"	R H Roberts
334 6/76	T G Luxford	-	M J Radford	H S Hodding	R H Roberts
347 7/77	"	M H Chrisp	"	J Calderbank	"
358 6/78	J P Robson	"	"	"	"
366 2/79	"	"	"	"	N H Dant & Miss S Sparks
370 6/79	"	"	"	"	N H & S A Dant
382 6/80	C J Drayson	"	A H Nixon	"	"
394 6/81	G C Wren	"	"	"	"
418 6/83	M H Chrisp	D Green	"	"	G M & S Moon
441 6/85	A G Mead	C J Drayson	"	R J Thorogood	"
452 6/86	"	"	Mrs T Clift	"	"
462 7/87	"	"	"	"	G C & B M King
471 8/88	"	G M Cashmore	"	E Willan	"
483 6/89	N Brown	"	(vacant)	"	"
487 10/89	"	"	Miss S MacPherson	"	"
497 8/90	"	"	(vacant)	"	"
499 11/90	"	"	Mrs T Clift	"	"
505 6/91	"	A Dunbar	"	"	"
512 1/92	"	"	"	"	(vacant)
516 6/92	"	"	Mrs B Collingwood	"	(4/92) C Platford
519 9/92	A Dunbar	-	"	"	"
527 6/93	"	T G Luxford	"	"	"
531 10/93	"	"	"	(vacant)	"
532 11/93	"	"	"	P Precious	"
551 8/95	"	"	"	"	Mrs A Foreman
563 8/96	"	"	"	"	"
			(new post – Membership Sec. Ron Thorogood)		
571 6/97	"	"	Mrs B Collingwood	B Corcoran	"
574 10/97	"	"	"	(also Mem. Sec)	"
582 6/98	Frank Dell	"	"	"	"
593 6/99	"	M Collingwood	"	M Cummings	"

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597	10/99	"	"	"	G Ainge
604	6/00	"	A Dunbar	M Foreman	G Ainge*
				*new post – Online Editor –	P Foreman
616	6/01	J Squire	Dick Payne	"	G Ainge
628	3/02	"	"	B Lambert	"
637	6/03	"	D Harris	"	"
648	6/04	D Corcoran	A Dunbar	K Corcoran	"
653	11/04	"	"	"	N Rudoe
659	5/05	Dr I Johnston	"	"	"
670	6/06	D Corcoran	(vacant)	(vacant)	"
672	8/06	"	M H Chrisp	"	"
679	4/07	"	"	M Foreman	"
681	6/07	D Harris	Ms R Chapman	"	"
692	6/08	"	A Marshall	"	"
696	10/08	"	"	"	N Griffin
703	6/09	"	"	"	"
714	6/10	"	J MacDonald	"	"
725	6/11	"	"	"	"
735	6/12	D Metcalf	Dr I Johnston	(vacant)	"
743	3/13	"	"	M Barnes	"
768	6/15	R Thorn	"	A Marshall	"
772	10/15	"	"	"	D Smith
780	6/17	Dr I Johnston	L Brimson	"	"
801	06/18	L Brimson	Dr I Johnston	"	"

"An interesting list George, well done, but there is no issue number for 5-6/55, any ideas". Mike F.

Dear Mike,

From memory, I think this was un-numbered. When Harry Brookes took over as editor and the News Sheet went bi-monthly there seems to have been some confusion as a new series started at 1 for no apparent reason. My father marked the copies with what would have been the sequence number. Had the original sequence continued it would have been 95 but that only leaves three numbers to cover the following year! I can't solve the puzzle and those who could have now all gone so I left it without a number.

It's also striking how long some people have held office on behalf of the Society - without them we should be much the poorer.

Best wishes, George

Marine News



We are Open.

Winter working parties finished, the site looking and feeling good, first couple of open days now passed so well and truly open for play. (I mean open for serious model engineering issues lakeside). How can it be anything other than play when it's on a cut down swimming pool that we call a lake.

To me its more about the social interaction and to this end we have just held our first Toy Boat Regatta attended by over 40 people where we had an amazing cross section of different boat style and types. The most worthy of mention had to be a first time together collection of Adamcraft Dinghys. Not sure what I expected but they are a thing of beauty. There was also a full dinghy kit in a tube and an Adamcraft RAF Seaplane Tender that had a diesel shaped unit housing an electric motor within. I just hope my photos on the following pages do it justice. I will attempt to get someone with knowledge to scribe an article regarding them for a future issue.

Our thanks as usual to Steve for keeping the tea flowing and lakeside photos.

Lots of rumours about the new steam boiler test certificates as per 1st May this year but I have questioned the various implications this gives us and our Secretary has told me to continue as before until council have time to study and debate before any implementation within our society.

Basically in the past as a small below 3 bar litre boiler they did not require examination and test unless they had a safety valve and a pressure gauge Code 2012 Section 14.1. and a certificate would only be issued following this test Code 2012 Section 14.7 which ruled out most of our older boats. I have several copper and brass boilers that have 10psi safety valve but no pressure gauge and they have never lifted.

Under the new rules all boilers have to have a test and certificate if fitted with just a safety valve. And before you think I have one without then sorry but all boilers have to have one. Code 2018 Sections 3.14.1 and 3.14.2 Not sure how on some of mine but time may tell.

George C
Marine Section Leader



Adamcraft Dinghys by the pond



Adamcraft RAF Seaplane Tender



Toy Boat Regatta, 13th May 2018

G.L.R. News June 2018



Hi Crew,

Just had a thought that it was about time that the rest of the club was brought up to speed with what we have been doing at the track all winter long. Now we are basking in this lovely summer weather I guess a few more members will be wanting to run G.L. so please be aware of some changes to the G.L. set up for running on public days. A little different to mid-winter when some bright spark said, I know let's run passengers from Smallford Station this coming season! I tried my hardest not to encourage them but to no avail, (the devil makes work for idle hands) a cunning plan was hatched, I remember sitting in the coach with a few foolish but hardy G.L.R. crew hastily rewriting a set of running rules and conditions that were to be put before the February THC. After an hour and a half of discussions and plans being put forward we had the final draft document, we had frozen our proverbial bits off but the draft looked good! This was in due course presented to the THC and much to my surprise and delight I was asked to attend a Senior Stewards Meeting at the track to discuss the finer points. I explained the crew's proposal to run from Smallford Station and with a few additions the deal was done. We have completed the first of twelve public passenger running days without too much fuss and expect smooth running for the next eleven (if we are spared) the draft document on the following pages is for you to read and ingest if you intend to run G.L.R. on public days; this is a must read for you.

New Loading/Unloading ramp,

During the winter a new G.L.R. loading ramp has been built for more ease and access, also safer loading/unloading this comes as a reflection of the larger locos we are now beginning to see use the track, it will take either a car, van or trailer, the only thing you need to bring along to unload is a suitable loco and a bridging piece from your car, van, or trailer.

This Thursday 16th just gone the track played host to a party of school children from the Samuel Ryder School, some sixty or so children arrived and had a great day learning about big boys' toys (school was never like that in my day) thanks to the crew on the G.L.R. who had a enjoyable day, (Couldn't eat a whole one), a job well done to all.

As ever in the muck.

Pete. G.L.R. Section Leader

Revised Track Steward Duties

Enclosed with this edition of your News Sheet should be an update to the Track Stewards Duties at the Tyttenhanger Site. The duties have been updated following the introduction of Ground Level Railway running from Smallford Station (the station in the car park). The opportunity has also been taken to make some minor amendments in the text of duties for some of the other steward positions.

Please take the time to read through the update, and hold onto it for future reference when it is your turn to be a steward this running season. If you have any queries on the content of the document please feel free to discuss them with the appointed Senior Steward who will be contacting you before the date of your duty to confirm you will be attending, and if not, who you have managed to swap your duty with.

Nigel G

Recent Photos from Bill



Hastings Unit 1001 on a Hastings-Kings Lynn charter, passes Grange Park. It was a full itinerary and must have been a long day for some.



800103 on a southbound test run approaching Hadley Wood. There is now quite a lot of testing of these new Hitachi units on the ECMML which will come into service in the near future. This a 'hybrid' version which run on both electric and diesel power.

Dates for your Diary

JUNE	2018
Fri 1st June	General Meeting at Colney Heath. First Aid. 7pm start.
1st/2nd/3rd Jun	Fetes & Fairs at Herts Steam Rally.
Sun 3rd June	Public Running at Colney Heath. 2pm to 5pm
Tue 5th June	Council Meeting at HQ, 8pm
Wed 6th June	Gauge 1 Kent group visit
Sat 9th June	Fetes & Fairs at Bridgewater School
Sat 9th June	NLSME visit to Fareham MES. Contact is Mick A
Sun 10th June	Fetes & Fairs at Oaklands Summer Fair.
Sat 16th June	Fetes & Fairs at St. George's School, Enfield
Sat 16th June	Fetes & Fairs at Hertingfordbury
Sun 17th June	Public Running at Colney Heath. 2pm to 5pm
Sun 17th June	Fetes & Fairs at Longfield show
Tues 19th June	TSC meeting at St. Mark's Church Centre, 8pm
Sat 23rd June	Gravesend invitation day
Sat 23rd June	Fetes & Fairs at Howdell
Sun 24th June	Fetes & Fairs at George Spicer School, Enfield
Wed 27th June	Colchester MES visit contact is Alan M
Sat 30th June	Sam D birthday party
Sat 30th June	Fetes & Fairs at St. Andrews School, Enfield
JULY	2018
Sun 1st July	Public Running at Colney Heath. 2pm to 5pm
Sun 1st July	Fetes & Fairs at Larks in the Park
Tue 3rd July	Council Meeting at HQ, 8pm
Sat 7th July	H0 section run, contact Rai F
Sat 7th July	Fetes & Fairs at Slip End

NB. Please notify Alan M (Secretary) of all meetings and other Society events for inclusion in the Society Calendar. Approval for special events still rests with Council and/or the Tyttenhanger Site Committee.