



LeedsLines

Newsletter of The Leeds Society of Model and Experimental Engineers



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Front Cover

The Chairman hauling passengers with his loco 'Ben'

From the Chair

Jack Salter

We continue to Thrive and to Look Forward

A lot has happened since the last issue of Leedslines

Meetings have continued to be well attended, we had our annual Christmas Dinner and quiz – and we are in discussions on two potential new track sites....

I imagine that the issue that most members are anxious to hear more about is potential new locations for us to rebuild our track.

We have been offered, in principle, a site at the golf club where our speaker evenings are now held, members of our working party have looked at the site and agreed that we could build a track there.

The same week that the owner of the golf club responded positively to our approaches the developer of Eggborough power station said that they have identified a suitable location for us within the site and are now saying that they will include our track in their planning application.

So within a few months of leaving Eggborough we are in serious discussions on two suitable sites!

We don't know how long planning will take, nor even if we will be able to come to a suitable agreement on either location, but things are looking positive.

This is a rapidly developing situation so don't hesitate to speak to me or any Committee member to find out the latest position.

Members continue to meet regularly, don't forget that our fortnightly speaker evenings are now back to a Wednesday night and are held in the Trophy Room at the Mid Yorkshire Golf Club at Darrington, we have held two speaker evenings there to date and it is proving to be a suitable venue.

Around a dozen members continue to meet in the bar at the Drax Power station Sports and Social Club on the Wednesdays that we don't have meetings, for an informal social evening. When I arrive around 7.30 most are already there and several have ordered food, all are most welcome.

We have a third regular weekly meeting; our Monday working parties have evolved into a Breakfast meeting at 9.30 (lasting 2 hours). These are currently held at the Mid Yorkshire golf club where we are made most welcome by the members and staff. Again all LSMEE members and friends are invited.

Before I sign off I must encourage members to attend portable track events, John Hunt has the list of dates and venues with him at all of our

meetings, a current copy of which is on our website. We are at present particularly of short volunteers to tow the trailer containing the track to events, so if this is something that you might be able to help with then do make yourself known to John.

Richard will be continuing to organise visits to other clubs, and we will also continue to let members know when there are Open Days that we can attend.

So there is plenty going on for members and a bright future for the Society.

With Best Wishes for the New Year

Subscriptions are now overdue!

Many members at recent meetings have noticed the drawn and haggard expression on Hon Treasurer Nigel's face. This is due not to marital strife or the recent snapping of a 14BA tap in a now-scrap piece of work, but to the number of people who have so far failed to Pay Up for their annual subscription. So come on, cheer the poor fellow up and bring a smile to his miserable countenance! It's only £20 this year (or £2 for Juniors).

Payment can be by cash, cheque, or bank transfer to

If you do a bank transfer, please stick your name on the payee details and email me to let me know you've sent it. We don't have electronic access to the account and I only know what's come in when I get the monthly paper statement.

Email Nigel

By Post

Thank you!

Leeds SMEE Xmas Kwizz 2019

1. What is the world's longest mountain range?
2. Which quarry company ordered the first four Class 59 diesel locomotives from General Motors' EMD Division, arriving in the UK in 1986?
3. What is the name of the village where Rupert the Bear lives?
4. Where was the unusual – and unsuccessful – Paget eight-cylinder 2-6-2 built in 1908?
5. What sized Whitworth spanner would you use for a ¼”BSF nut?
6. In which continent was Carthage, infamously sacked by the Romans?
7. Generally, what kind of birds would you see in a murmuration?
8. What is fly agaric or *amanita muscaria*?
9. Who was the female version of Biggles in a series of books written for girls by Capt. WE Johns?
10. Who is the host of the satirical BBC TV show *Mock the Week*?
11. What kind of creature is an aye-aye?
12. We remember Armstrong and Aldrin in Apollo 11, but who was the “loneliest man ever”, remaining behind in the command module whilst the first moon walk took place?
13. On which river is the Aswan Dam?
14. Who is the Yorkshire poet, hailing from Darfield, who is Barnsley FC's “Poet in residence”?
15. In which country were the first 30 Class 56 Diesels (the “Grids”) built for use in the UK?
16. Who were the neighbours and friends of Fred and Wilma Flintstone?
17. What would you be looking at if it was *Flemish Bond*?
18. At which venue did the surviving members of Monty Python perform their farewell live shows in 2014?
19. Who wrote the original book “The Railway Children”, later made into the classic Lionel Jeffries film?

20. What are the fruits of the blackthorn called?
21. Name one of Bertie Wooster's aunts.
22. Which New Zealand city suffered badly – 185 lives were lost – in an earthquake in 2011?
23. Where was the SS *Great Britain* abandoned as a hulk before it was returned to Bristol for restoration?
24. What was Gary Sprake's best-known occupation?
25. Ian and Alan Macdonald's "Schools" class locomotive in 5"G was described in the recent LeedsLines. What is it called?
26. How many cylinders were fitted to Bulleid's unsuccessful *Leader* class locomotive?
27. Name the famous Yorkshire "Three Peaks".
28. Muscovy, Mandarin, Tufted and Shoveler are all types of what?
29. Which is the odd one out: *Tich*, *Pansy*, *Rob Roy*, *Speedy*, *Maisie*, *Roedean*, *Miss Hasty* and *Gwen Elms*?
30. What is mathematician Andrew Wiles' claim to fame?
31. Although unable to speak, he appeared in *The Simpsons*, a Monty Python sketch, and a Pink Floyd number. Who was he?
32. What is 90% of 90?
33. It is currently closed whilst they work out what to do with it, but on which mountain would you find a 2 metre gauge funicular railway?
34. Where is the Black Sheep Brewery?
35. Who famously said, "A pint? That's very nearly an armful!" on the radio?
36. What kind of exhaust system did Bulleid fit to his Pacific and Q1 locomotives?
37. Who wrote the "Countryman's Steam" series in *Model Engineer*?
38. Who is credited with the design of the LNER B1 4-6-0 locomotives?
39. As first built, what do Gresley's "Hush-Hush" 4-6-4 W1 (or "Galloping Sausage") and the first LMS main-line Diesel locomotive have in common?

40. In 1905, Churchward proposed a mixed-traffic 4-6-0 with 5'8" wheels as part of his range of standard locomotives. It took until 1936 before Charles Collet introduced a class of 80, employing parts from withdrawn Mogul 2-6-0s. What was the class, numbered in the 6800 to 6879, known as?
41. Where in Barnstaple was the "Works" of the Lynton & Barnstaple Railway?
42. Who voiced Wallace in the Wallace and Gromit films?
43. Which Leeds firm, formerly building steam engines, modified some Fowler steam ploughing engines by removing the steam engine and replacing it with a Diesel engine of their own manufacture?
44. Perhaps better known under his alter ego of "Chuck", he drew cartoons and illustrated articles in Model Engineer on foundrywork, IC engines, and latterly, model narrow-gauge steam locomotives. Who was he?
45. Where would you usually expect to find a Bourdon tube?
46. What was placed in the Cunning Trap by Pooh and Piglet in order to entice Heffalumps to fall in?
47. Spell the word, meaning "very small", approximately pronounced "minny skyool".
48. Name the two stations at the extremities of the Kirklees Light Railway
49. Which bridge, designed by Thomas Bouch, collapsed in a storm in 1879, when a train plunged off it, killing 75?
50. Where would you have found "The Crimpsall" between 1900 and 2008?

Tie-Breakers

1. Who designed the French de Glehn compound 4-4-2 "President" in 5"G in Model Engineer?
2. Name the bagpipe-playing designer of several classes of GWR locomotives, mostly in 5"G, featuring in both ME and EiM.

Quiz by Nigel Bennett

Portable Track Events 2020

2020 sees a very busy portable track season. If any events listed below do not have a firm date yet an indication of the likely weekday is given. Once again volunteers are needed and those with tow-bars are always in short supply. The 20th June is particularly short of trailer towing vehicles with three events to attend on the same day.

2 May	Selby Model Railway Show
8 May .	Brayton VE day event
16 May	Pudsey carnival
7 June	Goole Picnic in the park
13 June	Askern Gala
20 June	Skipwith Gala
20 June.	Goole RSPCA Show
20 June	Strensall Gala
21 June	Collingham Gala
27 June	Kirkwood Hospice Mirfield
June (Friday)	Barkston Ash School (afternoon event)
June (Friday)	Leeds University Staff Fair (afternoon event)
June (Sunday)	Camblesforth School Fair
July (Sunday)	West Park Rugby Club
July (Friday).	Hensall School Fair
July (Sunday)	Carlton School Fair
25 July	Selby Abbey Food Fair
9 August	Hensall Gala
22 August	Rodley Nature Reserve
22 August	Ousefleet Show
September (Saturday)	Wheldrake Whelfest Gala (Evening event)

A list for volunteers is available at all meeting nights and at any of the informal meetings (Breakfast Socials) or you can contact John Hunt via the following Email link

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and let him know which event(s) you can help out with.

Leeds SMEE Xmas Kwizz 2019 - Answers

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| 1. The Andes | 32. 81 |
| 2. Foster Yeoman | 33. Cairn Gorm |
| 3. Nutwood | 34. Masham |
| 4. Derby | 35. Tony Hancock |
| 5. 3/16"Whit | 36. leMâitre |
| 6. Africa | 37. John Haining |
| 7. Starlings | 38. Edward Thompson |
| 8. A type of fungus or mushroom. | 39. The number – 10000. |
| 9. Worrals | 40. Granges |
| 10. Dara O'Briain | 41. Pilton |
| 11. A Lemur | 42. Peter Sallis |
| 12. Michael Collins | 43. J&H McLaren |
| 13. The Nile | 44. B Terry Aspin |
| 14. Ian MacMillan | 45. A pressure gauge |
| 15. Romania | 46. Hunny |
| 16. Barney & Betty Rubble | 47. MINUSCULE |
| 17. A brick wall | 48. Shelley and Clayton West |
| 18. O2 Arena, London | 49. Tay Bridge |
| 19. Enid Nesbitt | 50. Doncaster "Plant" |
| 20. Sloes | |
| 21. Dahlia or Agatha | |
| 22. Christchurch | |
| 23. Sparrow Cove, Falkland Islands | |
| 24. Leeds United goalkeeper | |
| 25. Lancing | |
| 26. Six | |
| 27. Ingleborough, Whernside & Pen-y-Ghent | |
| 28. Duck | |
| 29. Rob Roy – by Martin Evans. All others are LBSC. | |
| 30. He solved Fermat's Last Theorem | |
| 31. Stephen Hawking | |
- Tie-Breakers**
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| 1. Roy Amsbury |
| 2. Pete Rich |

Working Party Update!

Members of the working party are meeting socially for breakfast and informal discussions about, well anything really, but mainly model engineering topics. They are pictured below enjoying a 'Full English' at Darrington Golf Club but they have attended other locations in the past.

February breakfast meetings are to be held at Mid Yorkshire Golf Club, Havercroft Lane, Darrington WF8 3BP from around 09-30 hrs. If you are not a regular attendee and wish to know the venue for the breakfasts for April then check the web site or speak to any committee member



Photo Colin Bowes

Portable Track Maintenance Day .

The Breakfast Club meeting on 23rd March will be held at Drax Sports and Social Club and has been extended to allow for portable track inspection and maintenance to take place. For those interested breakfast is booked for 09:30 followed at 13:00 by the track checks.

Boiler testing will also be available to members on the same day.

Society Officers and Committee

President:	Arthur Bellamy
Chairman:	Jack Salter
Secretary:	Geoff Shackleton
Treasurer:	Nigel Bennett*
Committee:	John Hunt
	Steve Russell*
	Peter Smith
	Nick Morley
	Geoff Midgley
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*** Denotes Boiler Inspectors plus**

Martyn Chapman

E-Newsletter

Articles from members are always welcome and can be sent to me by email

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To ensure continued delivery of the newsletter and announcements please let me know if you change your email address.

If you currently receive a printed copy of the newsletter and would like to save the society printing and distribution costs, while at the same time doing a little to preserve some of the planets resources, simply email me using the above link and a PDF version will be sent to your inbox.

The Society web page can be found at

<http://www.leedssmee.btck.co.uk/>

LSMEE - Dates for Your Diary – February 2020

5th February	<i>Meeting Night 19:30 - 21:30</i> <i>Drill Sharpening</i> Derek A. G. Brown
19th February	<i>Meeting Night 19:30 - 21:30</i> <i>Three Short Model Engineering Topics</i> Talks by Members
4th March	<i>Meeting Night 19:30 - 21:30</i> <i>Jumble Sale</i>
18th March	<i>Meeting Night 19:30 - 21:30</i> <i>The first train in Spain from Warrington</i> Richard Gibbon
23rd March	Portable Track Maintenance and Boiler Testing Day at Drax SSC.
1st April	<i>Meeting Night 19:30 - 21:30</i> <i>Trophy Night :- One Off Trophy, Wanless Trophy & the President's Cup</i>

Meetings have returned to their usual Wednesday Evenings and will be held in:-

The Trophy Room'
Mid Yorkshire Golf Club
Havercroft Lane
Darrington
WF8 3BP