
OLD RUN NEWS

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Topicality The return of GM's and the foul weather again herald the approach of winter, a time when we really need your help, as we do throughout the year.

Jim Lodge, Civil Engineer, has started the winter programme of tackling the larger jobs, and the lengths of 60 foot prefabricated track are to be laid, a task which can only be done on Sundays. Can YOU spare a few hours on Sundays? If there are insufficient people to help with this work an essential part of the re-laying scheme will be delayed and the running of the railway jeopardised.

Contact the Civil Engineer at 8, Hayleigh Mount, Leeds 13 for times and further details.

If you cannot come on Sundays but are available on Saturdays would you like to come and help maintain the locomotives? We especially need a diesel loco. engineer and someone to help with the Sentinel.

Contact Norman Fearnley of 7, Crawshaw Road Pudsey if you can help.

Exhibitions The Leeds Model Railway Society held an exhibition at the Corn Exchange on October 28, 29 and 30th. Our efforts were combined with those of the KWVRPS to provide a joint stand publicising both Societies. As usual the exhibition was very well attended both by the public and other Societies, despite whose competition Jim Lodge succeeded admirably in spreading our name, fame and wares.

The next exhibition is at Wakefield on November 26 and 27th. We do need members to help man the stand, and anyone willing to help, particularly those living locally, should contact Mrs Youell, 5, North Grange Mount, Leeds 6. By the time of the exhibition we hope to have further items bearing our name on sale.

Personalia Congratulations to life member John Halliday, former Treasurer Philip Worsfold and former member Derek Rayner on their recent weddings.

Our Chairman Dr R F Youell (Fred) recently recorded a talk on the Swansea and Mumbles Railway, which was subsequently broadcast on the Welsh Home Service of the BBC.

ARPS Meeting A meeting of the Association of Railway Preservation Societies was held at the Haworth headquarters of the Keighly and Worth Valley RPS on October 30th. The L&Y Pug was steamed for the occasion, and their impressive collection of locos and other rolling stock was available for inspection by the representatives, who were made to feel most welcome. The meeting was held in a bogie brake coach, the participants being sustained by tea and snacks in the Station, where the meeting was continued after dark. The MRT was represented by John Rushell, Mike Crew and Ben Wade, who made useful contact with representatives of other Societies during the wander round Haworth and the informal discussion afterwards. The next meeting will be on April 30th at the Robertsbridge HQ of the Kent and East Sussex RPS. MRT subscribers to Forum, the ARPS magazine, should have received the recent copy; Mrs Youell still seeks the last one. Forum is now published every six months at twice the previous size and cost, so subscriptions remain at four shillings.