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**CLUB MAIN EXHIBITION**

THANKYOU TO ALL THE MEMBERS WHO HELPED MAKE THIS YEARS EXHIBITION A GREAT SUCESS, WE RECIEV ED MANY POSITIVE COMMENTS ABOUT THE SCOPE AND QUALITY OF THE SHOW. FINANCIALLY IT WILL HELP US TO MAINTAIN THE CLUB FACILITIES AND LAYOUTS IN THE FUTURE.

**IN MEMORIAM**

UNFORTUNATELY WE HAVE TO REPORT THE RECENT PASSING OF THREE CLUB MEMBERS. FIRSTLY TRUSTEE JOHN HICKS FOLLOWED BY CHARLIE ARCHER AND THEN ALAN POWELL. ALL WILL BE SADLY MISSED BY ALL IN THE CLUB. ALAN AND CHARLIE HAD BEEN MEMBERS SINCE THE EARLY DAYS OF THE CLUB, JOHN NOT QUITE SO LONG BUT STILL A CONSIDERABLE TIME. REST IN PEACE.

### Trustees Meetings

The date of the next Trustees meeting is 06/09/2023  
Any items for the agenda to be forwarded to the Club Secretary John Myers.

### Farnby 'O'

Two speed restriction signs have been fitted courtesy of Stoneybridge . The layout was subsequently taken down and placed back into storage to free up some space for the Spring Open Day and the testing of Northallerton prior to its appearance at Perth show in June.

### Clevemoor 'O' Gauge Club Layout

A meeting was held in the club rooms on January 24<sup>th</sup> 2023. There was a quite a bit of interest shown from the club membership. Initially it was decided on the rough size of the layout (about 36 feet), and suggestions as to possible track layouts were to be asked for from the interested members. A second meeting took place on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February. Having decided on a track layout construction of the baseboards took place and track laying has commenced. At the time of writing quite a bit of the track work has been laid and also some of the buildings have been constructed. Work is also underway on the electrics.

### Von Ryans Express German Narrow Gauge

No progress to report.

### Skinningrove Project P4 & Rosedale 'EM'

Due to developments at the Museum there has been quite a change in the fortunes of these two layouts. As the space originally earmarked for the Museums temporary layouts has been condemned as not fit for purpose by the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) the space we had been allocated has temporarily been taken from us, possibly for up to a year. Work on the Skinningrove project has led to the two boards already built being placed into store at the Museum. Work on rolling stock/buildings etc will continue on Thursdays in the Education rooms at the museum (when it is not open to the public).

As regards the Rosedale project this was originally planned to be removed from Skinningrove and taken to the North Yorkshire Moors Centre at Danby, which is where it was originally destined to go until Covid interfered. The layout was dismantled on the 13<sup>th</sup> of April and taken to Danby where it was found that there was not enough room for it to be displayed. As a result it as brought back and at present it is stored in Martin's unit. Subsequently it would appear that as the Moors Centre at Danby are no longer interested in it, it has been gifted to the Club.



Lego Lads (CMRC Trophy 2023)

### **Picton P4**

After a lot of hand wringing we think we might be getting to the bottom of the problems with the layout electronics. It would seem that some of the servos we have been attempting to use thus far are 'pirate' copies of the genuine articles. These on powering up throw excessively. It was reassembled for the Open Day and it ran well. Prior to its appearance at our main show we were allowed to assemble several boards downstairs in the main room. This enabled us to do a lot of work on the scenic's and track work that were difficult to carry out upstairs. Can Dave B and myself thank all those members who rallied round to help us in our hour of need, without them we could not have presented it as well as we did. Running at an exhibition has given us a clearer view on what we need to prioritise on before its next planned outing in September 2024.

### **Hambleton Park 'OO'**

A significant wiring problem has been identified and rectified. Work has now transferred to sorting out the wiring problems at the front of the layout, i.e. the scenic section. As mentioned last time several club members are working on the area vacated by the over large hill feature and in addition a recently joined junior member has been given an area to work on. In addition Paul has been working on modifying the turntable mechanism, this has now been done and tested, the main job left is the fitting of micro switches to control it.

### **Kettlewick Bay 'OO'**

This layout remains the main means of running members OO stock and continues to work well. It performed well at the open day and was well received by our visitors.

### **Middleton in Teesdale 'OO'**

This layout remains stored prior to a planned outing in 2025 in Middleton in Teesdale to commemorate the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Stockton and Darlington Railway.

### **EXHIBITION 2024**

MARTIN AND HIS TEAM HAVE ALREADY STARTED THE PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR'S SHOW. FIRST ON THE AGENDA IS TO SET UP A MEETING WITH THE COLLEGE AT THE END OF OCTOBER OR EARLY NOVEMBER.



PHIL MAUD (Tony Hinchley Trophy 2023)

### Guisborough 'OO'

The replacement drive shaft for the turntable has been manufactured and tried. Some final adjustments still require doing. One of the ground signals also needs attention.

### Newtown Junction 'N'

Due to illness this layout failed to make its exhibition debut at Hartlepool show in the October.

### West Bowling 'N'

Jim has attended to most of the issues identified at our show, for example the replacement of some damaged track work, work continues on the control panel but as above a recent illness suffered by Jim has slowed progress.

### Modular Layout 'OO'

A little progress has been made on one of the boards but generally as this layout is in the main club rooms we are waiting for warmer weather before further work can take place.

### Tees Steel 'OO'

The layout has been on display at Kirkleatham Museum for a period of time. Now that this has concluded it has been returned to store in Martin's unit.

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### Northallerton 'N'

This layout attended the show at Perth where it ran well apart from one or two point problems and is scheduled to appear at Newcastle in November. The new lighting gantry constructed by club member James performed well at Perth. In order to repair the faults found at Perth it is proposed to re-erect the layout shortly. Below is a picture of the operating team.



### Club Sweat Shirts/Polo Shirts

**If you would like a Club Sweat shirt or polo shirt please get in touch with the Secretary, John Myers with your required size. These come with an embroidered Club Badge and if required your name also.**