

SOUTHERN FEDERATION NEWSLETTER

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EDITORIAL

You will see from the bottom of the first column that I have now been appointed full time Editor of the Southern Federation Newsletter at the AGM.

I shall be carrying on with my duties as Membership Secretary until all the affiliation fees are in for 2012. I will then hand over to Jon Homersham a new member to our committee.

We seem to be falling on hard times and it is always difficult in a time of increasing costs to maintain a reasonable affiliation fee and at the same time to give our clubs and societies all the information and services that they require in a time of legislation. We have a number of clubs and societies resign from the Federation and use other Insurance suppliers. What have we got wrong? The Federation is your Federation, formed by clubs and societies in the South of



Edward Hornby receiving his trophy from Andy Clark of Polly Model Engineering. See page.3 Photo by Mike Chrisp

England. Please help us to help you. Please contact me with your thoughts. We take this seriously and will take on board your requirements. My details are in the first

column. Happy steaming for 2012

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Welcome to another 'Chat' from the Chairman.

So what has been happening in recent weeks on the Federation front? The second Saturday in March witnessed another very successful Annual General Meeting, on this occasion in the excellent facilities available at R.A.F Museum, Cosford, Shropshire. It was very disappointing that the attendance was significantly down on previous years with 40 delegates present representing some 35

organisations with 12 apologies for absence. Many thanks to everybody who attended, it makes all the effort and organisation that much more rewarding. In addition, we welcomed visitors from Footman James and Polly Model Engineering.

With vacancies to fill on the Federation committee, we welcome two new faces in Ashley Edwards (West Huntspill MES) and Jon Homersham (Ramsgate MEC) in addition there has been some changes to the

responsibilities of other members of the committee, see the up to date listing elsewhere in the Newsletter.

In conjunction with Polly Model Engineering, the Federation continues to foster and encourage junior model engineers, with three names being submitted for 2012. Congratulations are extended to Edward Hornby (Pimlico Light Railway) Matthew Butler and Andrew Sleigh (Guildford MES)

By the time this edition of

our Newsletter drops on your doormat, another Harrogate exhibition will have come and gone, along with the Federations spring rally hosted by our friends from the Guildford Model Engineering Society. As ever, it is always a pleasure to

meet so many of our friends when we are out and about.

Well I think that is all for this time, just to remind you that the Federations "Road Show" will be supporting the following events before

the next Newsletter, You are always welcome to pre-order any sales items for collection at the events listed below.

Brian Thompson

Chairman

June 30/July 1 MSRVS Traction Engine Rally at Tewksbury
 July 7/8 Guildford MES Rally and Exhibition
 July 14/15 IMLEC at Nottingham Society of Model Engineers
 August 17/18/19 Bristol Exhibition held by the Bristol SMEE at Thornbury.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

We are pleased to report that at our AGM we were able to recruit two new members to our committee;

Jon Homersham a member of the Ramsgate and District Model Engineering Club. Jon will

be taking on the position of Membership Secretary when all the subscriptions are in for 2012, so it is likely that this will happen in a months time.

Our second new member is **Ashley Edwards** who is a

member of the West Huntspill Model Engineering Society

We look forward to their assistance in promoting the Southern Federation and bring to you the support you expect from our organisation.

Southern Federation Sales

We shall be in attendance at the Guildford Society Model Steam Rally and Exhibition Place your orders for Boiler and Steam Test Certificates and Blue Cards.

Phone Brian Thompson to place your orders and collect on the day.

IMPORTANT NOTICE ADMINISTRATION CHANGES BOILER TEST CERTIFICATE REGISTRAR

To All Secretaries and Boiler Inspectors

You are advised that with immediate effect, Maurice Bennett has resigned as the Federation Boiler Registrar. His duties have been taken over by:-

Mr. David Mayall, 9, Parsons Close, Church Crookham, Fleet Hants. GU52 6HL

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Would you be kind enough to please amend your Club/Society records accordingly.

SOUTHERN FEDERATION AUTUMN RALLY

Our next Rally will be the Autumn Rally held at the Chelmsford Society of Model Engineers on the 15/16th September 2012. Make a note of this date in your diary.

The Chelmsford Society have a 1000ft raised aluminium track for 3½", 5" and 7¼" gauge locomotives. Red and green signals are provided to protect the blind spots. All curves are of a 50ft. Radius. There is also a ground level 5" and 7¼" gauge track 1000 ft long. Automatic four aspect signalling is used and the maximum gradient is 1:100.

Steaming bays with all the services are provided.

Road Vehicles of all shapes and sizes are

welcome and they can roam around the site at will. Access is available to Central Park if you wish to venture far.

Saturday 15th will be the Rally day; Sunday will be a public running day from 11am to 4pm. You are welcome to take part and do some passenger hauling.

If you wish to make a weekend of it. Caravan space will need to be pre-booked and they can advise on local B & B and Hotel accommodation. Refreshments will be available within the clubhouse.

Contact John Dalton for more details on 01245 264 146

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JUNIOR TROPHY WINNERS

"Once again, it is most encouraging that Clubs and Societies are prepared to submit the names of junior members for consideration for this annual presentation, sponsored by Polly Model Engineering Ltd and the Southern Federation. The competition is open to any member of a Southern Federation affiliated Club or Society who is under the age of 24 years. The Federation are ever grateful to the support received from Polly Model Engineering Ltd, and Andy Clarke in particular.

This year three names have been submitted, with no overall winner, all individuals showing equal merit.

Starting with the youngest first, he is 15 years old **Edward Hornby** from the Pimlico Light Railway, which is based just outside Brackley in Northamptonshire. Edward has been an enthusiastic member of the Pimlico Club since 2005 and is always prepared to help with any tasks. He is a competent driver of both steam and electric 5-inch gauge locomotives. Commencing in 2010, with completion in 2011, he constructed a Sweet Pea locomotive from a box of bits kindly donated to the Club from a deceased model engineer's widow. This was not a straightforward task, as the intended model was not to the "standard" design, but there again, what Sweet Peas are?

With his enthusiasm, he has been attending the Clubs weekly engineering sessions during the winter months, and along with another junior member, Adam, they have been constructing a bogie driving trolley for two people that can be used for driving tuition. Edward has no engineering background but turns his hand to anything, rapidly acquiring new skills, and spurns the use of a calculator.

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The second young gentleman is 17 years old **Matthew Butler**. As a GCSE project, for which he was awarded a grade AA, Matthew constructed a 5-inch gauge coal wagon. Although the wagon was part built from a procured kit, the remainder was designed and manufactured by Matthew. He is a very active Club member of the 16 mm group and a qualified and competent driver in 5 inch and 7¼ inch gauge railways. In



Mathew Butler receiving his trophy from Ivan Hurst Southern Federation Secretary
Photo by Andrew Sleigh



Andrew Sleigh receiving his trophy from Andy Clark Polly Model Engineering Ltd
Photo by Mike Chrisp

addition, he is a Club trained signalman and guard for public running days. He has a major responsibility in the signal box for the safe operation of the railway during the annual GMES rally and exhibition. His other Club interest is photography, which has enabled him to create many 'You tube' images of the many Club activities, all helping to promote the Guildford Club.

The third gentleman is 20 years old **Andrew Sleigh**. Like Matthew, Andrew has an interest in all aspects of Club activities, with a specific responsibility for photographic work, including a DVD promoting the many interests within the Club. He is an active member of the 16 mm group and has built a 16 mm scale sheep wagon and coal wagon, both from a kit of parts. He is considered to be one of the Club's most competent drivers of both 5 inch and 7¼ inch gauge Club locomotives, in addition to which he has been passed out as a qualified guard, all beneficial for the Club's many public open days. With the Club's much admired Clubhouse completed and workshop installed, this has given Andrew the opportunity to start the construction under supervision, of a 7¼ inch gauge Bagnall locomotive, which has given him the opportunity to create several web pages of his engineering activities. He is also only too willing to participate in the many aspects of the general maintenance of the Club facilities.

These three gentlemen are a credit to their respective Clubs - may they continue to enjoy many more years. In the engineering hobby."

MODEL ENGINEERING LIAISON GROUP REPORT

This is a report on the MELG meeting held at Bedford on the 9th February 2012.

All members attended there were no apologies.

Gas Tanks and LPG Systems

Gas tanks. There has been no progress on this topic. A review by HSE has also not taken place.

LPG systems. No further information is available from UKLPG at present.

Wally Pearson has a substantial amount of information on this topic, including a draft document produced by AALS. Due to the pressure of other items both topics will be left in abeyance and returned to the agenda at a later date.

Boiler Test Code

Tony Wood was thanked for his preparation of the documentation. This included all comments submitted from 2008 to 31st December 2011. A further document was also produced that would assist with replies to all those who had contributed.

Wally Pearson was also thanked for his work in rewriting the current Blue Book into a form that can be used as a basis for review, BTC 2012 V3

The meeting agreed to proceed with a complete review of the document tabled by Wally Pearson. Following agreement on the wording of this review all topics submitted would be appraised and their relevance determined.

When a fully revised document is in a suitable form and agreed by representatives, the MELG would approach the RSA for a further review of the contents.

The meeting agreed that any boiler test document issued would not be retrospective.

The review of the document BTC 2012 V3 then commenced using a text on screen presentation. It emerged that section 7 of the document had been further amended and the latest version was then considered.

The meeting completed an initial review of BTC 2012 V3, but due to time constraints it was not possible to review the Appendices. It was therefore agreed that the document amended so far be designated BTC 2012 V3a. This would be used as the minutes of item 6 on the Agenda and included notes where further wording, additions and text changes should be incorporated.

It was agreed to hold another meeting.

Meeting continued on the 8th March 2012

During an extended meeting the whole of the document was reviewed and amended as the meeting progressed. It was then agreed that the BTC2012 V4 was then in a suitable form for inclusion of the comments received by the hobby. The statement, comments and questions which had been

submitted by individuals were incorporated into a document entitled 'Comments by subject'. Each of the comments received was considered. Where appropriate the text of BTC2012 V4 was amended. Some topics required further information to be obtained and these items were noted in the comments document.

By the end of the day 190 comments had been considered another meeting was required.

A revision of the boiler paperwork and documentation was felt necessary although some of the certificates existed in draft form, these will be collated and presented.

The question of printing costs and the numbers required was briefly touched on and each organisation would assess their requirements.

The question of Small Boilers, Flash Steam, Steam Cars and passenger carrying boats were to be referred to Bob Garnett of RSA as to whether they should be included in the model scheme.

Meeting continued on 3rd April 2012

Following the March meeting a draft V5 of the BTC 2012 was circulated. This version was scrutinised and amendments made where necessary. The question of small boilers for steam boats was discussed and it was agreed to leave this item and check with RSA as to whether they should be included in the revised Test Code.

It was decided to include the definitions of Shell Test, Initial Test and Repeat Test. These definitions could be added to Section 3.

Further discussion on topics and the inclusion of amendments enabled draft version 6 of the BTC 2012 to be agreed.

The remaining topics raised by the hobby were considered. Responses were made to those topics and this concluded the consideration of the 250 items that had been presented to the MELG December 31st 2011.

Updated paperwork, an examination certificate and a written scheme of examination, for use with the revised BTC 2012 was presented and discussed. Amendments were made as appropriate to the paperwork and a draft Version 6. Should the Written Scheme of Examination be implemented it was demonstrated that the complete test code could be produced in A4 format. This document would be part of each boiler's record should the scheme be implemented.

It was agreed to look at the costing's involved in the production of Small Boiler Certificates with a capacity below 3 bar litres.

It was suggested that a list of scenarios or frequently asked questions could be incorporated into the publication of a revised test code. Members of the MELG were asked to forward examples to the Chairman, preferably with explanatory notes and reference to the relevant section of the test code.

Next meeting would be with the RSA at their offices.

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Duty of Care and Skill

This is a common law duty that requires Directors to act with 'the care an ordinary man would take in the same circumstance on his own behalf' and with the skill expected from someone with his 'particular knowledge and experience'. Where duties are delegated the Director is responsible for ensuring that the person to whom the duties are delegated is sufficiently experienced, reliable and

honest.

Fiduciary Duty

Directors must act honestly, in good faith and in the best interest of the company and must ensure that he does not have any conflict of interest.

Statutory Duty

There are many statutes that effect the conduct of Directors and Officers including the Companies Act 1985, Insolvency Act 1986, Financial Services Act 1986, Environmental Act 1990, Health and Safety at Work Act 11974, to name but a few.

• How can Claims Arise

If a Director is perceived to have failed in any of his duties then a claim could come from any one of a number of third parties including:

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- Creditors
- Government and Regulatory bodies

- Employees
- Auditors
- Liquidators
- Customers
- Suppliers

Why Buy Directors and Officers Insurance?

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The Directors and Officers Liability Insurance will pay on behalf of the Director his legal costs and expenses and any civil damages awarded against him. For more information please contact Angela Orford at Footman James.

RAILWAY ACCIDENTS AT A CLUB OR SOCIETY

In the event of an accident it is important that you carry out the correct procedures; this will prevent difficulties later on if the issue is taken up by solicitors or the Health and Safety Executive (HSE). Accidents that involve personal injury must be reported and the following is a guide.

Insurance Company

1. Accidents must be reported to Footman James or your insurance broker, within seven days.

2. A written report is required detailing the accident and its cause if known.
3. Name and address of the injured person.
4. Name and address of Club or Society members directly involved with the accident and any witnesses. A written and signed record shall be made of any statements made by these personnel.
5. DO NOT reply to any letters or E-mails concerning the accident; These shall be passed on directly, without

comment, to Footman James or your insurance broker.

6. DO NOT make any comments or admissions to the injured person, to bystanders, members of the public regarding the accident.
7. DO NOT discuss on the telephone any details of the accident. Give them the telephone number of your insurance broker.

RAILWAY ACCIDENTS CONTINUED

8. In our case this is Angela Orford at Footman James on 0121 561 6210 or by E-mail: See page 9

Footman James or your insurance broker will then deal with the entire process. They may come back to you for further information

Health and Safety

1. All accidents which involve personnel injury are reportable under RIDDOR shall be fully documented. In addition to the accident report taken from the recommended Accident Book B1 510 (or similar) and the appropriate RIDDOR report form (F2508) further basic and supporting

documentation, as described in the Southern Federation Guidance Sheet No. 1, should be available.

If you are visited by a member of the Health and Safety Executive he will expect to see formal records of all these actions.

You should also have to hand as your working document "Passenger-carrying Miniature Railways, Guidance on Safe Practice" (HSG 216) If over the years you have lost your copy of the document, a replacement can be obtained from our sales counter at Exhibitions and Rallies priced £3.00 or by

post from Brian Thompson at £4.50 per copy (see back page for address).

Calling the ambulance

In the event that the emergency services being called to the site it is important that it is made absolutely clear that the site is a **Miniature Railway** so as not to set off a major disaster alert.

Guidance Sheet No. 1 This can be obtained from our Website and down loaded free of charge or purchased from our sales stand

Southern Federation Newsletter

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June
September
December
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SOUTHERN FEDERATION RALLIES

The first Rally of the season was held at the Guildford Society of Model Engineers on the 19th May. The weather was very kind to us and the sun came out and

made it an excellent running day. Our host pulled out all the stops and laid on tea and coffee, lunch and fish and chips in the evening. Guildford very many thanks

you did a great job. Six caravans turned up to make a weekend of it and on the Saturday there were 17 engines in steam. The following attended:

David Mayal. Bracknell Railway Society LMS 0-6-0 4F 3½ gauge
Frances Mayal Bracknell Railway Society 0-4-0 Cornwall 3½ gauge
Tony Wall. Leeds Society of Model Engineers, 0-6-0 Speedy 5 gauge
J. Lloyd Eastleigh, Merchant Navy 5" gauge
Tony Bond Harlington Locomotive Society, 5" gauge Britannia
John Walker Birmingham Society of Model Engineers 7¼" gauge Marie Estelle
John Wilks Crawley Model Engineers, Webb Compound Tank engine
William Powell Bournemouth Model Engineering Society 5" gauge Speedy
Derek Alford Ascot Locomotive Society 0-6-0 Tank Wendy 7¼ gauge
Dave Finn Bournemouth Model Engineering Society 5" gauge B1 locomotive
Neil Mortimer Harrow & Wembley Society of Model Engineers 5" gauge Polly
Ian Mortimer Harrow & Wembley Society of Model Engineers 5" gauge Duchess
Simon Tilbury Harrow & Wembley Society of Model Engineers 5" gauge 0-6-0 Tank
Matthew Byatt Harrow & Wembley Society of Model Engineers 5" gauge De Winton
Richard Linkins Romney Marsh Mode3I Engineering Society BR 0-6-2 Class 2 Locomotive
John Hampshire Malden & District Society of Model Engineers locomotive
David Murray Staines Society of Model Engineers 56XX class Locomotive

Southern Federation Autumn Rally

Our next rally will be at the Chelmsford Society of Model Engineers on the 15/16th September 2012. Make a note of this date for a good weekend of steaming

NEW DIRECTORY SUPPLEMENT MAY 2012

New Publication

We are pleased to announce the availability of a new Directory Supplement for 2012/13. This publication lists all the Clubs and Societies in the Southern Federation, their website address, Secretaries name and address, telephone number and E-mail address. This must be an essential publication for all secretaries so that they can communicate with other clubs.

Availability

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Pack of 5.....	£3.00	£4.20

Please make your cheque out to *Southern Federation MES*, if by post and send to:

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Hertfordshire, SG14 3SD

CHANGES OF SECRETARY, NAMES & ADDRESSES

Since the publication of the 2012 edition of the Directory Supplement there have been some revisions as follows:

East Herts Miniature Railway Society

Change of secretary. Iain Dinnes E-mail address to iain@ehmr.org.uk

Mid Cornwall Model Engineering Club

Change of secretary Mrs. M. Hooper. Address remains the same.

Pinewood Miniature Railway Society

Change of secretary: Mr. R. T. Smith, 103 Sycamore Road, Farnborough, Hants, G14 6RE Tele: 01252 371 8879

E-mail: pinewoodmrsec@gmail.com

Staines Society of Model Engineers

Resigned from the Southern Federation

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Change of Secretary and Treasurer

All clubs and societies are reminded to notify the Federation of any change of name and address of its officers to ensure that correspondence, mail, e-mail and enquires continues to be directed to the right person.

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Diary of Events

Events identified thus * the Federation sales stand will be present

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The event should be restricted to invitation events for Model Engineers, NOT public running.

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DIARY OF EVENTS 2012

June 2	Amnerfield Miniature Railway Open Day. Steam and Diesel
June 9/10	Welsh National Locomotive Rally, Cardiff Model Engineering Soc.
June 9/10	Vale of Aylesbury Traction Engine Rally, Buckinghamshire Rly. Centre
June 9/10	Harrow & Wembley SME Locomotive Open Weekend
June 10	2½ Gauge Assoc. National Rally Rugby Model Engineering Soc.
June 16	Locomotive Rally Harlington Locomotive Society
June 16	Bournemouth & District SME Locomotive Open Day
June 16/17	Sweet Pea Rally at Hereford Society of Model Engineers.
June 23/24	Little LEC at the Swansea Society of Model Engineers.
June 30/July 1	*Traction Engine Rally, Miniature Steam Road Veh. Soc. Tewksbury.
July 7/8	*Guildford Model Steam Rally & Exhibition
July 14/15	*IMLEC Nottingham Society of Model & Experimental Engineers
Jul 21/22	Dreaming Spires Rally, City of Oxford Society.
July 28	Bournemouth & District SME Pannier Tank Day
August 17/18/19	*Bristol Model Engineering Exhibition.
August 25/26/27	Harrow & Wembley SME Locomotive Open Weekend
September 7/8/9	Locomotive Rally, Bedford Model Engineering Society.
September 8/9	National Locomotive Rally & Martin Evans Rally, Birmingham S.M.E.
September 9	Polly Owners Group Rally Stafford & District MES
September 15	*FEDERATION AUTUMN RALLY, Chelmsford Society. MES
September 16	Host Society Open Day.
October 6	Welling & District Model Engineering Society Open Day & Gauge 1
October 17-21	*Midlands Model Engineering Exhibition, Leamington Spa.
November 2/3/4	Model Engineer Exhibition Sandown Park