

SOUTHERN FEDERATION NEWSLETTER

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EDITORIAL

Welcome to another edition of the Federation Newsletter. In this edition we have a lot of information on the meetings of the Model Engineering Liaison Group (MELG) which relates to the changes that are being made to the Boiler Test Code (BTC) or in other words the Blue Book. We feel that it is important that you know what is going on and the changes that are being made. The new edition will be the first which has fully taken into account the suggestions of the Clubs and Societies. The basic requirements remain the same with the addition of the Written Scheme of Examination (WSOE). The book will be better laid out and easy to find information. It is hoped to have publication in 2013, date



The station at the Chelmsford Society of Model Engineers venue of the Autumn Rally on the 15/16th September 2012
See page 2 for details

and press release will be sent to all Clubs and Societies when it has been finalised.

I would like to wish you all happy steaming for the rest

of the year

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN

So what have we got to 'chat' about in this edition.

The Federation "Road Show" continues to be made most welcome whilst *out and about* supporting the various events that it has visited since the June newsletter. These have included the M.S.R.V.S. and Guildford Model Steam Rally, unfortunately the Guildford rally suffered from the results of the wet "summer weather" packing up early on the Sunday afternoon, and tractor assistance on leaving the site early.

In addition, the recent Bristol exhibition was another

successful and well organised and supported event by both the various Clubs/Societies involved and the many visitors. Unfortunately, my planned visit to I.M.L.E.C. hosted by the Nottingham S.M.E. had to be cancelled at the last minute due to a domestic problem, (the central heating boiler sprang a leak).

With the evenings starting to slowly draw in, it indicates that another running season is slowly drawing to a close; however the Federation will be supporting several more events this year, i.e. National Locomotive Rally (Birmingham) September

8th/9th, Federation Autumn Rally (Chelmsford M.E.S.) September 15th with host Society open day on the 16th, Midlands Exhibition (The Foss) October 17th to the 21st inc. and finally, Sandown Park exhibition November 2nd/3rd/4th.

Finally, a timely reminder, you are always welcome to pre-order any sales items for collection at any events that the Federation supports, it saves on the postage. (see page 8).

Brian Thompson

Chairman

SOUTHERN FEDERATION AUTUMN RALLY
TO BE HELD AT THE
CHELMSFORD SOCIETY OF MODEL ENGINEERS
15TH & 16TH SEPTEMBER 2012

COME AND JOIN US FOR A GREAT WEEKEND

Saturday September 15th

Rally including the Competition for the Australian Association of Live Steamers Trophy.

Sunday 16th

Public Open Day from 11am to 4pm. We hope clubs especially those local will join us.

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

FACILITIES

Raised Track - 1000ft of 3½", 5" and 7¼" aluminium rail in a dog bone shape with a maximum gradient of 1:100, tap water, air and a 12volt electrical supply is available on the steaming bays. Two aspect (Red and Green) signals are used to protect blind spots on the track when more than one locomotive is running. The curves are all 50ft. radius and have transition into and out of all curves.

Ground level Track - 1000ft. Of 5" and 7¼" aluminium rail, this runs around the outside of the raised track and incorporates a covered station area and a separate siding. Four aspect signalling is used and can be automatically or manually controlled by the signal box. Maximum gradient is 1:100. Access to the ground level track can be via the raised track steaming bays or we have separate covered steaming bays suitable for 7¼" locomotives. There is a 40ft. Long tunnel.

Road Vehicles - of all scales can roam around the site or for something more challenging steam around the adjacent Central Park.

HOW TO FIND THE SITE

The track site is in Central Park, Chelmsford and access to the site is via Meteor Way (opposite the pitch and putt golf course in Waterhouse Lane). For those with Satellite Navigation the postcode is CM1 2RL. The entrance to the site is in the far corner of the Council car park.

Contact - John Dalton for details and booking in your caravan 01245 264 146

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Or visit the website www.csme.50.com



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2013 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 9TH MARCH - ADDED ATTRACTION

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As you are aware, in recent years The Federation has tried to hold the AGM in venues which have additional attractions.

As you know, the 2013 AGM will be held at Mercedes-Benz World in Weybridge, Surrey. They have offered to arrange for delegates to the AGM to be driven around their high speed and/or off road test tracks by Mercedes-Benz drivers. The likely cost will be approximately £25 per

head, and must be booked in advance in order to determine the viability of this attraction, interested members should contact the Secretary in the first instance. Given sufficient interest (25 individuals), the arrangements will be further investigated. The expression of interest would be without obligation at this stage. Obviously The Federation cannot go at a financial risk, and, nearer the event, non-returnable payment would be

required in advance before confirming the booking with Mercedes-Benz World.

Further information will be published as it becomes available.

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We shall be in attendance at the Midland Model Engineering Exhibition at the Fosse

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Contact Brian Thompson to place your orders and collect during the event.

NEWS FROM THE NEWSLETTERS

I have been receiving from our clubs and societies a number of Newsletters for which I would like to thank you. It always very interesting to hear about the going on's in the clubs, here are a few.

Norwich & District S.M.E.

They report that they have had problems with the weather like so many other clubs this year, I do hope that they have been able to maintain train rides to raise some money.

Work continues on Tuesdays with work on the club house and they are now carrying out modifications to the ground level passenger cars to make them more free running.

Sutton M.E.S.

At Sutton they have been very busy in the construction game being the reconstruction of the signal box windows. Another major job has been the refurbishment of the raised track, not only relaying the track but also reconstruction of supports and longitudinal. We must be very thankful for those

members who put in all this work

Bournemouth & District S.M.E.

They comment that the number of locomotives being brought to run on their track has steadily declined in recent times. I am sure that this is common across all clubs and it has happened at my own club Birmingham. Is it that we are all getting too old and find it an effort to load a heavy locomotive into the car? Maybe.

It was nice to read the work that is being put in by the club to encourage juniors between the ages of eight years and 12 years. It is in the form of a course, £20.00 for two days during the holidays. Well done keep the good work up. They also have a 16 mm track, this could also be used to encourage young people.

Northampton S.M.E.

They had an exciting day when they were approached by the production company of the BBC's "Escape to the Country" series to take part

in an episode involving their county. The program shows a couple three houses to make a choice from. One of their requirements was that the man was a model railway enthusiast hence the involvement of the club. The team were on site for about 5 hours and shot about 3 hours of video which the club hopes that they will get a DVD of the event. Keep your eye on the Radio Times, it may be good viewing.

They are considering the building of a 16 mm track which now seem to be very popular along with Gauge One. It must be the weight of the locomotives that makes it so attractive, pick it up and put it under your arm.

Peterborough S.M.E.

We understand that they are having problems with their Baston site which has fallen through with some of the adjoining residents raising vociferous objection to a railway being built at the ends of their gardens. What are we coming to, you would think it is HS2 not a 5" gauge railway.

MODEL ENGINEERING LIAISON GROUP REPORT

17TH MAY 2012

Present:

Mr Tony Wood - Chairman
 Mr Brian Reading - 7¼ Gauge Society
 Mr Wally Pearson - Southern Federation of Model Engineering Societies
 Mr Frank Stephen - Northern Association of Model Engineers
 Mr Malcolm Armstrong - Midland Federation of Model Engineers
 Mr Bob Garnett - RSA

This is a report of the meeting held at the offices of the RSA at York Street Manchester on the 17th May 2012.

22. The meeting opened at 10.15 am, the Chairman welcoming everyone. The combined minutes of the February, March and April meetings had been circulated. No changes had been notified so the minutes, as circulated prior to this meeting, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

23. Unanswered Comments

Following the meeting of the 3rd April there were a number of unanswered comments. These had been circulated prior to this meeting. It was agreed that the comments be discussed under the following topics and amendments made to the Boiler Test Code (BTC) if appropriate.

23.1 Boiler materials. It was noted that steel boiler stays should not be from EN3B steel which was a soft, low carbon material.

23.2 Should the test code include boilers of boats and steam cars? A letter had been received from the Hon Secretary of the Steam Boat Association (SBA) (24th December 2011). The SBA basically sought to include steam boat boilers in the BTC. This approach was strongly supported by the SF representative. A long discussion followed regarding the capacity and practicality of testing steam plant in steam boats. It should be made clear that under the BTC the boiler inspectors are only testing the steam boiler and associated pipe work, not the vessel in which it is contained. The demand for steam boat plant testing within the hobby was not known but it was agreed that BTC section 2.5 should include steam powered boats within the bar/litre capacities of the code, section 4.2 & 4.3.

23.3 The definition of the owner or user of boilers and associated pipe work was raised. PSSR 2000 refers to the user rather than owner. A definition of the owner/user was therefore included in the BTC.

23.4 Under the PSSR 2000 the boilers and associated pipe work tested under the BTC were classed as fixed installed systems, not mobile systems.

23.5 Discussion ensued on whether Steam Cars should be included in the BTC. Following advice from the RSA steam cars with flash, drum and coil boilers would be specifically excluded from the BTC.

23.6 Draft certificates for the boiled test procedure and the Written Scheme of Examination (WSOE) had been circulated prior to the meeting.

23.6.1 Draft Boiler Test Certificate

The draft document was discussed. It was noted that the location of the test had to be included on the certificate.

Mr. Wally Pearson raised the matter of continuing to use the present certificates. Advice was that this could be done but the current certificates are not compliant with PSSR regulations and supplementary information would have to be appended. Following further debate about the draft certificate and some changes and the addition to the content the Chairman asked each organisation for their views. All accepted the draft certificate except Wally Pearson who stated that he would have to refer the matter back to the SF committee.

The reason for the proposed number of copies, 4, the quantities required and the recording of the certificates could be dealt with once agreement had been reached on the certificate.

Certification for small boilers was then debated. A possible pro-forma could be brought into use with appropriate small boiler certification. This would include items such as Mamod engines.

Action (1) Paperwork on small boilers to be circulated to the MELG members.

23.6.2 Draft WSOE

As presented the draft WSOE was acceptable. Amendments to the content and wording had been included. There then followed a discussion about the form, who should draw it up, who would complete it and who would sign it. Mr. Wally Pearson complained that the Boiler Test Code Update 17th April 2012 document he had previously circulated to the MELG had been ignored. The content included his observations on the WSOE and the Test Certificate issues. Advice given at the meeting was that pre-signed forms were not acceptable under circumstances since they could be completed by 'anyone' and this approach is not in accordance with the hobby BTC intentions.

Under the hobby BTC it would be the society or club boiler inspectors who would carry out the WSOE and sign the document to that effect.

A boiler test code would be attached to the completed and signed WSOE, this procedure then complied with the regulations. Mr. Bob Garnett advised that the WSOE and the Test Certificate as amended were in a suitable form for the hobby.

Mr. Brian Reading proposed that the certificates as amended be accepted, Messrs Malcolm Armstrong and Frank Stephen were in favour, Mr. Wally Pearson questioned the legality of the certification and would have to refer back to the Southern Federation committee.

This completed the comments on boiler test certificates that had been received by the MELG

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23.7 Weld samples and where to send them

Weld test samples, these could be sent to Steve Jones, RSA Test House, Norton Street Labs, Manchester.

23.8 Boiler construction

Steel boilers can be welded by a competent persons' under the BTC. Their qualifications and any welding test requirements should agree with the society or club boiler inspectors prior to any construction taking place.

Copper welded boilers were acceptable under the BTC provided the person carrying out the welding was competent and, where applicable, had relevant qualifications and experience for the material being welded.

23.9 Other topics

The testing of small boilers had been discussed, other issues included boiler feed arrangements, witness qualifications and creation of a WSOE had been addressed and, where issues were applicable, incorporated into the BTC.

This completed the review of unanswered comments.

24. The current version of the BTC, version 6a was then revisited and all the text re-read for completeness and accuracy. Section 1.6 would be referred back once the matter of small boilers and their certification was finalised. Section 12.3 would be rewritten to ensure that the information in the BTC and the information required on the boiler test certificate were the same. Safe operating limits would be also included.

25 Mr. Tony Wood would finalise BTC version 6a, merge the questions and answers, and also follow up the matter of the small boiler test code and certification.

Action (2): Circulate updated V6a.

26. Mr. Bob Garnett of RSA was thanked for hosting the meeting and providing lunch. Mr. Wally Pearson was again thanked for all the work he has put into the BTC document.

27. The date of the next meeting was left open. The meeting closed at 4.50pm.

**MODEL ENGINEERING LIAISON GROUP
REPORT 5TH JULY 2012**

Present:

Mr Tony Wood - Chairman

Mr Brian Reading - 7¼ Gauge Society

Mr Wally Pearson - Southern Federation of Model Engineering Societies

Mr Frank Stephen - Northern Association of Model Engineers

Mr Malcolm Armstrong - Midland Federation of Model Engineers

28. The minutes of the meeting held on the 17th May had been circulated and approved. They were signed by the Chairman. The group agreed that a copy of V6a of the BTC 2012 be included with the 17th May minutes along with the draft WSE and Test Certificate.

29. Agenda item 1 - A proposal by Mr Brian Reading

"In view of the uncertainty of general agreement for a universal revision to the boiler test arrangements for the scheme to become fully compliant and the time that possible revision has taken, if agreement is not reached during the meeting today I propose:

A) The present scheme continues as long as it is required which would allow

Southern Federation to continue to issue existing certificates.

B) That the revised scheme as approved by RSA Engineering at the meeting in Manchester on 17th May 2012 be adopted by those organisations that support this outcome on the basis of wishing to introduce boiler test arrangements which are as far as possible compliant with PSSR.

He also outlined his concerns about issues raised following the Manchester meeting, his proposed press statement and the date of implementation of the scheme, which may be delayed.

It was agreed that this topic be returned to around 2.00 pm on the 6th July, where progress at that time in the meeting would be reviewed.

30 Boiler Test Code

30.1 Following the Manchester meeting an updated version of the Boiler Test Code had been circulated, BTC 2012,V7. The group then considered this document.

30.2 The definition of 'commercial' was discussed following which all agreed to the statement in Section 2.1

30.3 Clarification of the type of boiler excluded was reviewed. All agreed the statement in 2.6. >>

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Editor*

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30.4 All sections of BTC2012 V7a were agreed except for sections 1.6, 12.3, 12.4 and 14 which were agenda items.

31 Small boilers

31.1 At present, small boilers were defined as 'below 3 bar litre' capacity. The definition also required that small boilers include a pressure gauge, sight glass and a means of filling the boiler when working. This differentiated between small boilers on 'toys' which did not normally carry these items, usually had no serial number and were frequently made from brass.

The MELG had been asked to consider including small boilers and 'Toys' since the PSSR included all steam boilers operating at any pressure.

The MELG agreed that section 14 be included in the BTC2012 with the addition of additional FAQ documentation to help define the difference between the small boilers.

Mr Wally Pearson had produced a draft certificate which, he felt, would cover small boilers. This included a WSOE and a test certificate and would be discussed further with the BTC certificate paperwork.

Action (1) Mr Tony Wood to add material into the FAQ document re small boilers.

31.2 The MELG agreed that with the inclusion of section 14 this completed the review of version V7a of the BTC 2012 except for the certification, sections 12.3 and 12.4, which were agenda items. Version 7a was referenced 120705.

31.3 The MELG Then went through the list of unanswered comments remaining from the document 'Meeting Notes 09/02/12 - Comments by Subject'. Unanswered comments were updated as follows: Comments 23, 25 and 27; Certification comments 79, 81, 82 to 94; small boilers comment 95; Certification comments 100, 105, 106, 109, 111 and 156. Any other unanswered comments would be reviewed when the matter of certification had been concluded. Responses and updates were added directly to the document file on the Chairman's computer. The completed document would be available following the MELG meeting.

32 Written Scheme of Examination (WSOE)

32.1 The latest version of the WSE was issued on 8th June for consideration. This version only required a serial number to be added to complete it.

Debate on the documentation and who completed it followed. It was felt by some members of the MELG that the boiler inspectors should complete the WSOE, as outlined at the Manchester meeting. This was

challenged and it was stated that boiler inspectors were not qualified to sign parts of the WSOE documentation as presented.

The MELG should issue the documentation and control the WSOE. If any modifications and re-writes were required in the future the MELG would carry out that function.

There then followed a long discussion regarding the wording and content of the WSOE.

32.2 The MELG agreed that the WSE is controlled by the MELG, whose Chartered Engineer is Mr W. C. Pearson, CEng. MIMechE.

32.3 The controlling engineer, as described in PSSR 2000, regulation 8, paragraph 106, for this scheme is the boiler inspector, whose name will be inserted into the WSE along with the date of the examination.

32.4 Completion of a WSOE was only required once, usually when a boiler has completed its initial test. In the case of an existing boilers a WSOE would be completed at the next repeat hydraulic test.

The meeting then adjourned at 5.19 pm. It would reconvene at 9.00 am on 6th July.

34. The meeting reconvened at 9.00am on the 6th July, 2012

35. Change of ownership

35.1 When ownership changes a new WSOE should be completed. The test certificate does not need to be changed.

35.2 Further discussion of the WSOE layout ensured and it was agreed that there would not be any printed paragraphs on the reverse side of the form. Modifications to the system shall be recorded on a replacement WSOE.

35.3 A tick should be used to complete the boxes on the WSOE. This aspect was emphasised on the form. It was agreed that the WSOE would be a two part NCR set, possibly in pads of 25.

35.4 The MELG agreed the final version of the WSOE form, reference 120706.

36 Examination certificate

36.1 All envisaged that the certificate would be pre-numbered for record purposes. It was also established that it was not necessary to carry both certificates and the WSOE when visiting other events.

36.2 The layout and wording of the form were discussed and altered as was the declaration

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and the references to other documents
36.3 The MELG agreed the final version of the Examination Certificate, reference 120706..

37. Small boiler certification

37.1 There was some discussion on the form and content of the small boiler paperwork. It was envisaged that it would be one A4 sheet incorporating both the examination and WSOE. Mr. Wally Pearson offered to update the forms he had previously circulated. In any event, the small boiler paperwork would not be registered with the boiler registrars.

Action (2) Mr. Wally Pearson to circulate updated certification form for small boilers.

38. BTC Section 12.3 and 12.4

38.1 The content of section 12.3, the information on the certificates, was agreed by the MELG.

38.2 Section 12.4 raised the issue of information recording by the boiler registrars. The BTC does not describe how central records should be kept and wording of 12.4 was amended and agreed by the MELG.

Mr. Frank Stephen to discuss with their boiler registrar the options regarding notification of hydraulic tests. It would be helpful if a similar method of recording by SF and NAME could be agreed and implemented.

39. Further items discussed covered a press release, potential quotes for paperwork, operational date of the scheme and the colour of the covers for any replacement BTC booklet.

40. Mr. Tony Woods offered to contact printers

and obtain quotations for all the relevant paperwork. He would also update an index for BTC document. Contact with the HSE regarding the 'HSE Statement' would be attempted; Mr. Tony Woods offered to facilitate this.

41. At this point of the meeting a return was made to Agenda item 1, recorded in minute 29. Mr. Brian Reading stated that due to the progress made by the MELG he was pleased to withdraw the item.

42. Timescales. It would be helpful to have a response from all bodies by the end of September. However, this may not be possible by NAME. All bodies were asked to respond to Mr. Brian Reading regarding the potential press release.

Action (4) All bodies to respond to Mr. Brian Reading re the potential press release by the end of July.

43. Costs of the Bedford meeting. Details of the costs incurred for the meeting would be advised by Mr. Tony Wood. He was thanked for his hospitality on the evening of the 5th July and for making the arrangements for the meeting.

44. The completed and updated BTC version 7a, ref 120705, would be circulated as a pdf file.

45. The date and time of the next meeting would be confirmed.

46. The meeting closed at 2.45 pm.

CHANGES OF SECRETARY, NAMES & ADDRESSES

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

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Diary of Events

Events identified thus * the Federation sales stand will be present

Would you like your event shown on our Diary of Events? Please send details to the Newsletter Editor, E-mail address on the first page.

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

DIARY OF EVENTS 2012

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