

Express Update

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First Public Running Day

Sunday March 25th

London Model Engineering Exhibition

The Committee's thanks go to all those that helped in someway for the London Model Engineering Exhibition. These include, but are not limited to - Paul Rolleston for "Man with Van", Martin Parham and Chris Hawkins, Andrew Hulse, Tom Parham for organising our stand as well as all who made models available for display. Many compliments were received and the stand was generally busy all weekend. A full article by Tom will be in the next full newsletter along with accompanying photos.

Changes to Boiler Testing

There is small change coming to the boiler testing procedure in that every item that is listed in the Written Scheme for that boiler shall be tested. This means for instance that all listed methods of putting water shall be tested. Even if two out of three are working as required for a certificate, the third will still be tested and if found not to be working a recommendation made for its repair.

Club Lunch

The standard of food and service was higher this year than previous years. From the comments I've heard it was thoroughly enjoyed by all and thanks go to Pat Riddles for organising.

It would be great to see more faces at next years club lunch., you don't have to be a club regular to attend.

<u>AGM</u>

This years AGM will once again be held at the Hilton Hotel on Friday March 2. A formal AGM notice will follow with more details. This is your chance to have a direct say in the running of your club. So do please attend for a chat and a cuppa and feel free to raise any points or questions you may have,

Dates for the Diary - 2018

Friday March 2 AGM - Hilton Hotel Maidstone

Sunday March 25 First Public Running day

Friday April 6 Guest Speaker. Andy Nash

Saturday April 7 Heritage Transport Show - Detling

Wednesday April 18 Wednesday Playtime Run

Friday May 4 Night Run and Bits & Pieces Evening

Track available from 5:00 pm

Wednesday May 16 Wednesday Playtime Run

Friday June I Night Run and Barbeque

Track available from 5:00 pm

Wednesday June 20 Wednesday Playtime Run Saturday June 23 Gravesend Invitation Day

Saturday June 30 The "Peter Roots" Family and Friends Day

Friday July 7 Guest Speaker (to be announced)

Friday July 18 Wednesday Playtime Run

Friday August 3 Night Run and Fish & Chips

Track available from 5:00 pm

Wednesday August 15 Wednesday Playtime Run

Friday September 7 Night Run and Bits & Pieces

Track available from 5:00 pm

Wednesday September 19 Wednesday Playtime Run

Friday September 28 - Sunday 30 Llanelli Autumn Steam Rally

Friday October 5 Quiz Night 7:30 pm

Wednesday October 17 Wednesday Playtime Run Sunday October 28 Last Public Running Day

All Wednesday get togethers start at 10-30am, on the third Wednesday of each month between April and October. No rides to be given to the public, private running only. All Friday evening get meetings start at 7-45 unless stated, on the first Friday of each month. It will be appreciated if everyone attending each Club Night will donate a minimum of £1 each towards the cost of the refreshments provided/ evening entertainment – some nights are more as supper is provided.