Minutes of Committee Meeting - G Scale Society Kent

Held on Saturday 8 January 2022 - Online through Zoom Facility

Participants: Roger Allen (RA), Martin Piper (MP), Jeff Fray (JF), Andrew Lloyd (AL), John Morgan (JM)

1 Teynham Winter Meet and AGM

After discussion it was agreed that we would go ahead with the Meet and AGM at Teynham Village Hall on 30 January 2022. We would however keep the position under review over the next 3 weeks. Attendees will be asked to abide by appropriate aniti-covid measures including taking a lateral flow test in advance and wearing a mask at the Meet.

Potential exhibitors will be advised and their confirmation sought by RA

The AGM will be held in the committee room as usual but a Zoom link will be arranged by MP for those unable to attend in person.

Notification of the decision on Teynham and papers for the AGM will be circulated to members next week – RA/AL

In response to our request, David Groves and Wayne Evans-Addy have put their names forward for the committee. AL will stand down from the committee but has kindly agreed to continue acting with regard to membership records and contacts. RA, MP, JF and JM are content to continue but it was felt that next year would provide a further opportunity for one to stand down if he so wishes. RA will revisit the list/matrix of duties once the new committee is in place.

2. Treasurers Report

JF reported that there had been limited transactions with the current account balance standing at £2976 and the savings account at £1386. There were a few payments due.

Glenn Allen will audit the accounts for 2020-2021, most probably at Teynham.

RA will chase Pratts Bottom Village Hall and ODMRS over the outstanding bills for PB Hall Hire.

3 GER

Some ideas for track enhancement had been discussed at Henfield. MP and RA will bring R1 and R2 curves respectively to Teynham with a view to simulating the enhancement ideas.

Glenn Allen will bring the new engine shed to Teynham and considerations given to realigning a siding for fitment of the shed.

It was noted at Henfield that the track is in need of some TLC, particularly paintwork. This will be arranged when circumstances allow.

4 Website

MP will add the six editions circulated in 2021, i.e. Nos 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21

5 Newsletter

JF reported that the next edition - No 22 - would be issued after Teynham. As well as a report on the Meet he has a couple of other articles in the bank.

6 Forthcoming Events

- a) Other Indoor RA reported that we had been invited with GER to the Surrey meet at East Horsley on Sunday 6 March. Agree we attend and JF will liase with Roger Ashley over who will tow the trailer.
- b) Garden meets 2022 nothing to report at present

7 Membership

AL advised that Kent membership of the Society was only 43 paid-up members as at 7 January. There are however a few of the usual late-payers who are not included. Agree that we should review honorary Kent members at some point.

RA mentioned that National have not yet issued a new membership leaflet and that we are advised for the present to amend subscription rates in the current version

8 AOB

RA mentioned that David Groves has written both in the Journal and our Newsletter about the idea of modular baseboards. There are two suggestions, the first using baseboards built to a common standard and the second, a "pop-up" layout using loose lay track on tables. David will illustrate the latter at Teynham

JF raised the subject of regular service for the trailer. Agreed that we should follow a recommended service pattern and JF will investigate. JF now has a tow-bar fitted to his car.

9 Next Meeting

Agreed this will be arranged once the new committee is in place.