

Minutes of the G Scale Society Kent, Committee Meeting

Held on Saturday 2 July 2016 at Pollyhaugh, Eynsford

Present : Andrew Lloyd (AL), Roger Allen (RA), Martin Cook (MC), John Morgan (JM), Roy Lloyd (RL), Martin Piper (MP)

Item	Detail	Action
1	Apologies – Jeff Fray (JF)	
2	Minutes of last meeting – 3 April 2016 Agreed as a true record	
3	Matters Arising : AL and RA have both applied and been given access by National to the membership database for membership record purposes. It was noted that our Group has lost 8 members and gained two in the renewal process	
4	Treasurers Report Financial Statement June 2016 presented by Martin Cook. Copy attached. Overall we have a healthy balance. The main item of recent expenditure was for the acquisition of two wireless MTS handsets for GER. Audit of the 2014-2015 Annual Accounts remains outstanding and MC will pursue this as soon as possible.	MC
5	GER The following items of work are still required and or under consideration: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Produce a diagram and label as necessary showing where individual plugs and sockets are connected. ➤ Number points on track and control boxes for ease of reference. ➤ Produce garage. With Kleinbach no longer, RA's garage can be used with GER. ➤ Check and remedy the functioning of the point situated on the bridge. ➤ We will experiment with detachable backscenes for the inside front of the layout. RA will bring his ex Kleinbach backscenes to Pratts Bottom for a try-out. ➤ Think about additional buildings 	JF/MP JF/MP RA MP RA All
6	Group Website We experienced a loss of usage of the site for a short period in June. This was due to a problem with bill payment on our account, which has now been resolved. MP reported on recent update to site content and in discussion a number of further changes were identified : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ In the Introduction section remove the reference to portable tracks as this information is now out of date ➤ In the Committee section add the April 2016 Committee minutes. ➤ Also in the Committee section, the 2016 AGM Minutes need adding 	MP MP MP/RA

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Delete the Latest News section and concentrate on up to date pictures for events. Pictures of garden events 2016 to be added ➤ Under the Group Portable Track section the references to GER II to be replaced by GER. Also pictures to be updated after Pratts Bottom <p>The possible addition of a counter to the site will be investigated</p>	MP/JF AL/RA MP
7	<p>Forthcoming events –</p> <p>a) Indoor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 18 September – Pratts Bottom autumn meet RA reported that KGR were unable to attend but Chalk Garden Rail have been invited and are happy to come. Fentilly Railroad from Kevin Kirchner will attend. JM and MP will organise a looselay/DCC layout on tables. The “piano corner” of the Hall will be used for a display and raffle table. Possible raffle prizes to be followed-up Depending on availability we may arrange a short-notice hiring of the Hall on the Saturday late afternoon/early evening to erect GER and do some works. Position to be checked in late August. The possible involvement of ODMRS 16mm members will be checked-out - 30 October – Henfield W Sussex – GER We will send out a plea for help to members GER will be picked-up on Saturday 29 October - 26 November – 16mm Higham – GER Again we will need advertise to the membership - 29 January 2017 - Teynham Winter Meet Upper and Lower Crofton from the Waredrapers (Essex) is confirmed AL will be able to provide his tramway layout together with funfair After discussion decided to invite Middlesex & West London Group with Trumpers Halt. Ideas were considered for a live steam circuit and the following possibilities would be followed-up – Frank Oakes, Hopfields, ODMRS, Merstham <p>RA reported that group member Malcolm Tyreman had been in contact about a possible future event at Yalding Village Hall. Agreed that we would go back to Malcolm to see if an event in April or May 2017 could be organized. Local helpers will be needed.</p> <p>b) Garden meets It was noted that the dates of two events had been changed and the remaining programme was as follows :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 10 July – Litchfield Halt - 24 July – Hayes Valley - 29 August – Pinewood - 11 September – Maple Cross - 3 September – Hayes Valley <p>Members will reminded as necessary</p>	 JM/MP RA/JF RA RA AL MC AL RA RA RA AL

8	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>AL reported that he and RL had taken the Tramway Layout to the Broadstairs Show at the Crompton Museum. There were around 80 visitors but as far as he could tell no other Kent Group members. Nevertheless worth repeating if the event happens again.</p>	
9	<p>Date of next meeting –</p> <p>Agreed we try to combine with the Pratts Bottom meet on 18 September</p>	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT JUNE 2016

Income

Teynham	Donations	214.20
	Refreshments	270.80
	Raffle	240.00
	2 nd Hand stall`	40.00

TOTAL £765.00

Expenditure

Teynham	Refreshments (EC)	31.00 cash
	Refreshments (SF)	35.00 cash
	Raffle Prize	85.00
	GER Transport (MC)	10.00 cash
	Hall Hire	105.00
	Visiting layout	10.00 cash
	Extra tables (RA)	10.00 cash
	Postage (AL)	8.64
	Presidents Dinner	30.00 cash
	PB Hall Hire 2015	126.00
	Paint GER Bridge	
	(MC)	16.48
	MTS Handsets (JF)	260.00

CASH 126.00
BANK 601.12
TOTAL £727.12

Bank Balance 31/10/15 £3283.45

Bank Balance 30/06/16 £3321.29

Martin Cook

Treasurer

01/01/2016