

Introduction

The passing of another show, and maybe this time we were caught on the hop with it matching the occasion of the Milton Keynes show - with their attendance setting a new record for them, and ours being reduced accordingly. Oh well.... Without getting into the nitty-gritty here (see inside), there's been much analysis and review and our *Members With Portfolio* are investigating what may happen next year. Which leads me to food....

Firstly, to reaffirm Alan Burkinshaw's notes at the post-show meal when we were reminded of the extent of the contribution made to club coffers (and I would say the club's reputation) by Dick and Kitty and their team over the past 23 years. A massive thank you from us all. Secondly, catering for the show next year is a key concern for us all and must not go unconsidered while we go galavanting to Ally Pally and Grantham and do all the other usual activities in between. No Kitty or Dick, maybe can't rely on Ann & Ivor, and John and Pat will be in Jamaica. There's plenty to keep us occupied on this subject alone, so it will be a core topic at every discussion group.

Sutton performed well at the show (after Jim fixed a broken point blade) and a few got the chance to try out the various operations, but we've already re-erected the layout in the club just to check it and get some extra operational practice in advance of Ally Pally.

The Picture

This is GW Prairie no. 5154 at Moretonhampstead Station in 1956. Delivered to service in Feb 1930, this loco was allocated to Newton Abbot from Sep 1956 for 6 years. She then moved on to Gloucester and Hereford before withdrawal in 1963. Popular beasts, there are no fewer than 8 of this loco type preserved, but sadly 5154 was scrapped in 1964.

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CLUB NOTES - a review of our show

We had our usual post-show review chat, and this is a summary of our discussion (in no particular order)

Car Park

- Positive: works well in principle, but we did not have to deal with so many cars this year with the reduced visitor numbers and there were no competing events at the Weatherley centre.
- Improve: better arrangement of reliefs (some double-booking occurred), could do with walky talky if anyone has access to some, need to get the tennis courts unlocked earlier!, when busy will work much better with 3 volunteers.

Lunch arrangements & Door

- Impacted by double-booking to some degree, and Dave had to wait an awful long time for a comfort break in the afternoon (note that the show was quiet enough in the afternoon for some of us to be able to wander the show)

Rota

- Well received, but insufficient awareness in advance. Have more than one copy to view (suggest by 2nd hand stall, layout and in kitchen - anywhere else as required)

Layout

- Ran well, only minor scenic repairs required for Ally Pally
- Headsets - the foam ear protectors have perished and they are very uncomfortable!
- Operating rota could be better, especially for moving around different roles.

Catering

- 2016 - Jim emailed Dick for lists of catering equipment etc Dick brings to the show, as we are likely to need to source much (all?) elsewhere. Dick will deal with this after resolving the change of show dates.
- Question around the exact extent of rules the school puts in place around our use of facilities.
- Consider whether we can use any of our own equipment for preparing bacon rolls, even if only for the morning before the show opens to punters.
- Need more teapots than were available this year
- Need minimum 2 people on hot drinks, 2 serving and 2 on lunches
- Noted that there was a lull after 1:30 for a couple of hours before punters returned once more.
- Catering to be better prepared for a possible early opening (10:30 may be official, but if the queue is big or the weather is bad, it is quite normal for punters to be admitted early)
- Jim and John J said they will discuss catering further.

FINCHLEY ROAD ST JOHNS WOOD *updates prefixed '(March)'*

Electrics	Structure
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jim has been reviewing with Andy with the result that the control panels will be modified to reduce their weight, moving the transformers to a separate box. • Board BBG requires plugs fitting and fault-testing to be completed, BBK in progress. • Boards BBH, BBI & BBJ all have inter-board plugs and sockets fitted and trains have been run across all three. • A different relay is recommended, as a result of the choice of Tortoise point motors (with only two switches). These point motors require a lower operating voltage so sufficient will be required to replace those originally supplied and supply the extras also required. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of the final boards is in progress; Derek has parts of the corner frames made, with the balance of the fiddle boards to come. • There is a question of whether others can support Derek to complete the boards if the templates are available • Consideration being given to arrangement and position of legs. • (March) There has been much debate, but it would seem we have made a decision to erect Finchley on trestles - Dave S has shown us designs and it seems it should be a good practical idea to use on this and future layouts.
Baseboard Top (scenic, trackwork)	Operation, presentation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All pointwork for the fiddle yards is now built, being made ready for transfer to the boards when ready. • We will progress simple tracklaying on boards and position bracing afterwards, accounting for point motor positions. Note: point rodding to be determined before any further ballasting. • Main railway-related buildings complete now that Bern has completed the signal box • (March) Bern is considering how to build the cutting walls at the eastern end of the station, and a selection of goods yard building odds. Robert Fryers has produced a 3D printed set of girders which has vastly helped the cutting construction. • Backscene will be considered when baseboards are complete (do any of our members have any artistic flair for such things?) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lighting is yet to be discussed - will need to be considered at the same time as any backscene construction • A pelmet was originally mooted, to be discussed later • The design concept allowed for a repeat signal diagram display at the front of the layout - consideration needs to be given on how to progress this. Andy's electronics took this into consideration I believe. • Cautionary note - in testing the running of a loco across boards BBH, BBI and BBJ we noticed the diesel used (LMS 10000) slightly fouled the central conductor rail - something to be wary of with all our stock.

CHERITON BISHOP *no updates this issue*

Electrics	Structure
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Baseboard Top (scenic, trackwork)	Operation, presentation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colour-blending scenery to backscene needs considering several weeks before any further outing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convert curtain to Velcro

SUTTON-ON-SEA *updates prefixed '(March)'*

Electrics	Structure
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investigate current control panel provision for signal operation and determine how to set up their operation - Jim has started some work on this. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (March) Upgrade bolts to dome-headed/wing nut/large washers: all now in place and working well. Replace end boards : Dave has supplied some ply ends to be fitted over the coming months (March) Control panel covers required to clear switches and be sufficiently strong to bear other items on top for transport: we now have a cradle to mount the panels face to face for transporting. (March) Provide a ledge on control panel mounting boards, making it easier to align and fit the control panel - now in place and working very well Docks extension and support arrangements to be scoped, designed and costed
Baseboard Top (scenic, trackwork)	Operation, presentation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (March) Repaint roadways now completed (March) Platform roof glazing bars are damaged in places - repairs effected, but need a continued watch. Assess remainder of layout board by board for repairs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Label switches to points for diagnostics, produce an overlay illustrating point numbers, ensuring matched to naming convention under the boards Investigate practicalities of installing a control panel-powered push-button mic system Investigate improved clips for retaining lighting units to baseboard legs Convert the curtain to be mountable by Velcro instead of drawing pins

AYLESBURY TOWN *updates prefixed '(March)'*

Electrics	Structure
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DCC control, allowing laptop and smartphone operation. Early discussion around use of MERG components. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Layout size 7m by 1m (circa 23 feet by 3 feet), arranged in an outwardly-curved formation with fiddle yards arranged directly behind the backscene Test baseboard pieces have been constructed using a laser cutter. This method has the advantage of great accuracy and so unusual shapes are achievable - and such is being trialled with the idea of disguising the baseboard joins.
Baseboard Top (scenic, trackwork)	Operation, presentation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (March) Track to be code 40 in the scenic sections - first point kits seen - they are TINY! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The design shows it presented in a proscenium style



TIMETABLE

Date	Time	Organiser	Event (nominally within 35 miles of Sandy)
08-Mar		Steam train	THE EASTERLING – 61306 London Kings Cross-Lowestoft
11-Mar	19:30	RCTS-H	Some Standard Gauge Heritage Lines in Britain (Bernie Holland)
12-Mar		Steam train	THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS - 61306: Kings Cross-York and return
14-Mar		Model event	Sawbridgeworth Model Railway Exhibition
14/15-Mar		Model event	St Neots MRC - East Anglian Model Railway Exhibition
21-Mar		Steam train	THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS - 61306: Horsted Keynes-Ely and return
21-Mar		Model event	Train Collectors Society - Spring Show and Agm, Weatherley Centre, Biggleswade
22-Mar		Model event	Three Counties Model Railway Society - Open Afternoon Aston Abbotts
25-Mar	19:30	HMRS	The London & Birmingham Railway part 3 (Ron Hart)
25-Mar	19:30	STS	Members evening
26-Mar	19:30	SLS	Beyond the Blue (post BR Modern Traction show) (John Day)
28 & 29-Mar		EBMRS	Ally Pally (Sutton)
31-Mar	14:00	RCTS-W	The Network SouthEast Story (Chris Green)
02-Apr		Collectors event	Joe Lock Model Railways - Train & Toy Collectors Fair Theydon Bois
08-Apr	19:30	RCTS-H	5 and 9 The Brighton Line (Ron Hart)
11-Apr		Model event	Tring and District MRC - Beacon-Rail 2015, Pitstone
11-Apr		Model event	John Keble Church - John Keble Church Railway Exhibition, Edgware
18-Apr		Model event	Luton Model Railway Club - An Exhibition of O Gauge Model Railways , Hitchin
18-Apr		Model event	31a (Cambridge) Model Railway Club - Cambridge Model Railway Exhibition, Sawston Village College,
18-Apr		Model event	Hope Methodist Church - Rushden Model Railway and Model Exhibition, Rushden Academy
25-Apr		Model event	De Havilland Model Railway Society - Model Railway Exhibition , Welwyn Garden City
28-Apr	14:00	RCTS-W	The GN Main Line and the Hertford Loop (Dave Cockle)
29-Apr	19:30	HMRS	Tourism and the Lake Branches (Mike Peascod)
29-Apr	19:30	STS	DUKWs (Peter LeSeuer) and Whitland to Cardigan line (Martin Bennett)
02-May		Model event	Northampton Model Railway Show, Northampton
06-May	14:00	NLRHS	Yet More London Colour (Allan Sibley)
06-May		Steam train	THE GREAT BRITAIN VIII (Day 9 of 9) - 70013 45690+61306: Grange Over Sands-Manchester-Chesterfield-Grantham-Kings Cross
09-May		Model event	South West Herts Model Railway Society - Annual Model Railway Exhibition, Bushey
10-May		Steam train	THE PEAK FORESTER - 70013 61306: Kings Cross-Peterborough-Stamford-Matlock- Rowsley and return
13-May	19:30	RCTS-H	A 4th Colour Rail. Journey (80% Steam) (Paul Chancellor)
16-May		Model event	Ely Model Railway show, Ely



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17-May		Model event	- Beds & Bucks Narrow Gauge Modellers Group of the OO9 Society - Model Railway Exhibition, Barton Le Clay
21-May		Steam train	THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS 60007: Scarborough-York-Kings Cross
23/24-May		Model event	Risborough & District MRC - Railex 2015 Model Railway Exhibition, Aylesbury
26-May	14:00	RCTS-W	A History of the London Underground (Barry Lejeune)
27-May	19:30	HMRS	St Albans South signal box visit (meet at box entrance)
27-May	19:30	STS	Road Transport (Alan Pepper)
28-May	19:30	SLS	AGM / 1970s miscellany – Part 3 (Tim Speechley)
02-Jun		Steam train	THE WHITE ROSE D9009 Kings Cross-York, 60163: York-Kings Cross
10-Jun	19:30	RCTS-H	Double Vision (Robert Warburton)
14-Jun		Model event	Three Counties mrs - Open Afternoon Aston Abbotts
24-Jun	19:30	STS	Photo Competition
25-Jun	19:30	SLS	Thameslink Project (Chris Binns - Network Rail)
27-Jun		Model event	Enfield model railway show, Enfield
30-Jun	14:00	RCTS-W	An Introduction to the Maryport & Carlisle Railway (Michael Peascod)
04-Jul		Model event	Beaconsfield model railway show, Beaconsfield
04-Jul		Steam Train	THE YORKSHIREMAN 60009: Ealing Broadway-Bedford-Corby-Chesterfield-York
05-Jul		Steam Train	THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS (Day 1 of 3) 60007: Kings Cross-York-Edinburgh
07-Jul		Steam Train	THE CATHEDRALS EXPRESS (Day 3 of 3) 60007: Edinburgh-York
08-Jul	19:30	RCTS-H	16mm Archive Films (Robert Warburton)
11-Jul		Model event	Train Collectors Society Summer Show, The Weatherley Centre, Biggleswade
11-Jul		Model event	Sheredes School - Model Railway Exhibition, Hoddesdon
18-Jul	19:30	HMRS	Trip to Ecclesbourne Valley Railway
28-Jul	14:00	RCTS-W	5 and 9 The Brighton Line (Ron Hart)
29-Jul	19:30	STS	AGM at Potton station
30-Jul	19:30	SLS	The Sierra Leone Railway Museum (Anthony Coulls - NRM)
26-Aug	19:30	STS	Aspects of a railway career (Bill Davies)
27-Aug	19:30	SLS	1970s Steam in Black & White (David Eatwell)
04-Sep	18:45	NLRHS	Turn Right at Cricklewood – MR men over the North London (John Downing)
09-Sep	19:30	RCTS-H	Industrial Steam (Tony Stratford and Alan Sturrock)
12 & 13 Sep		EBMRS	Grantham (Sutton)
24-Sep	19:30	SLS	Each a Glimpse... & Ever Again (Colin Gifford)
29-Sep	14:00	RCTS-W	Some Standard Gauge Heritage Lines in Britain (Bernie Holland)
30-Sep	19:30	HMRS	The Great Central west of Chester (Geoff Kent)
30-Sep	19:30	STS	Buses (Roger Whitehead)

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14-Oct	19:30	RCTS-H	GN Suburban Electrification and Re-signalling (Paul Hepworth)
27-Oct	14:00	RCTS-W	16mm Archive Films (Frank Banfield)
28-Oct	19:30	HMRS	Modelling in P4 (Terry Bendall)
28-Oct	19:30	STS	Saunders collection (John Saunders) TBC
29-Oct	19:30	SLS	Railways of the 3 shires – Part 2 -Herefordshire (David Postle)
04-Nov	14:00	NLRHS	Photographs by Dr Tice Budden (John Minnis)
11-Nov	19:30	RCTS-H	Rail Tours Remembered (Robert Warburton)
24-Nov	14:00	RCTS-W	Signals, Stations and Structures (Robert Warburton)
25-Nov	18:30	HMRS	Model railway evening
25-Nov	19:30	STS	Peter Bland Collection P4 (Bryan Cross)
26-Nov	19:30	SLS	The Regional Railways Story (Chris Green)
09-Dec	19:30	RCTS-H	Member's Evening - Opportunity for short presentations
10-Dec	19:30	SLS	Steam in Perspective (Mike Tyack)
15-Dec	14:00	RCTS-W	Members' Afternoon - Opportunity for short presentations
20-Feb 2016		EBMRS	Biggleswade (layout TBC)
Possibility		EBMRS	Spalding (Sutton)
Possibility		EBMRS	Royston (Sutton)

Key to Organiser

EBMRS	
NLRHS	North London Railway Historical Society Keen House in Calshot St, just off Pentonville Road, close to Kings Cross. These are on a Friday evening or Wednesday afternoons. We normally invite a speaker and the meetings are informal and in a sociable environment. We welcome guests
HMRS	Historical Model Railway Society Whaddon Way Church Centre, West Bletchley, MK3 7JS, meetings at 19:30 unless stated. No charge to visitors
SLS	Stevenage Locomotive Society Community Arts Centre, Roaring Meg Retail Park, Stevenage SG1 1XN, Meetings start 7.30pm and finish around 10.15pm. Refreshment break included. Visitors & Guests are welcomed on payment of £2 Day membership (no charge if Stevenage Arts Guild Member) payable on the door
RCTS –H RCTS -W	Railway Correspondence and Travel Society Hitchin meetings are held at The Hitchin Christian Centre, Bedford Road, Hitchin SG5 1HF, commencing at 19.30 Welwyn Garden City - afternoon meeting meetings are held at Methodist Church, at the junction of Ludwick Way and Cole Green Lane, Welwyn Garden City AL7 3PN, commencing at 14.00 (doors open 13.30)
STS	Sandy Transport Society Conservative Club, Bedford Road, Sandy, doors open 19:10. Non-members welcome, entrance £2.00 includes refreshments
Model Event	See UK Model Shops Directory
Steam Train	See Steam Tours UK
Collectors Event	See UK Model Shops Directory

NOTICE BOARD

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- Oerlikon units -We have copies of a full set of 3 car underframe drawings from the HMRS, and this week some very kind gentleman on the RM Web community has provided a number of images of additional scale drawings. There is the promise / prospect of one of these people actually attempting to cast some resin parts shortly - so that is awaited with quite some interest.

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- Suggestion for a mini layout for testing?
This is a genuine suggestion as an additional project to run alongside the major build of Finchley - but it would need to be of 'micro' proportions as we already have storage issues with the three layouts we have. In tidying up we have donated an old baseboard to Jim - this is likely to be the embryonic test layout.
- Notes for Ally Pally show
10/3 continue layout testing & preparation
17/3 Dismantle Sutton; remind John at club we will need access on the Friday before the show - and check what time we can reasonably expect to get access
24/3 final prep for show
27/3 Ally Pally allows access from 12 until 8pm, final setting up on Saturday from 8am.
Sunday vehicle access allowed from around 5:20 pm

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- Question over availability of suitable stock for layouts should Bern or Alan B be unavailable. Suitable means of the right region, wheel profiles and back-to-backs and couplings that will enable the layout to operate smoothly. (March) to this I'll add the right period, loco crew, lamps and other details will all help lift the layout beyond a train set appearance. Then there's corridor connections, passengers, wagon loads.....
- Jim asks if there is any working plan for maintenance at shows (If it breaks, mend it ?)
- John J asks a very pertinent question, and that is about how the new members can be more involved and contribute to the club; that is down to the more experienced to assist, but thinking caps on to see what we should do.

MEMBERS' MATTERS

Members' Matters invites you all for your contributions - any modelling subject, within reason!

SMALLFORD c.1960 - BR(E) - by Alastair
2mm Scale/'N' - 9mm Gauge FS Track - c.1960, Hatfield-St.Albans branch 'finale'.

A 'working diorama', part of the "Bringing the History of Smallford Station to Life" Project which is supported by the National Heritage Lottery Fund and University of Hertfordshire Heritage Hub. The Grade II Listed Station Building and about half of the platform still exist, in generally good condition, alongside the "Alban Way" Cycle & Footpath.

Smallford Residents Association members and others interested in preservation and possible community use of the building are currently researching its unique history in depth - details from accompanying Display/Project Members.

ANY RELEVANT 'MEMORIES', of PLACE or 'OPERATIONS', will be WELCOMED!

Designed to give an impression of a 'timeworn' Smallford Station and Goods Yard in the decade leading up to final closure of the branch, the model (planned as a small-space display piece), is not intended to be a 100% accurate scale model - not possible, in any event, working from 'memories', maps and old photos! It embodies some 'selective compression' - to keep the size down - and 'exclusion' - particularly of less 'railway-relevant' yard features (which would necessitate doubling the model size, with little or no added visual interest). Some 'suspension of disbelief' will be required of knowledgeable viewers - e.g. there's no evidence for bright yellow banana vans being used in reality, but they are nice and eye-catching on the model!

The model's builder, Alastair Cameron (of East Bedfordshire Model Railway Society), is very involved in the great "Bringing the History of Smallford Station to Life" Project - if our Project interests you, and/or you have something 'historical' to pass on after viewing the display, please speak to us about it, and also follow links on the website: www.smallford.org

EBMRS NEWSLETTER 'ADDENDUM' (Pretentious? - Moi?)

So, that's the 'Description' given to the CMRA Exhibition Manager for the model's inclusion, with 'Smallford Station History/Project' exhibition Information display panels, in the St.Albans Model Railway Exhibition on January 10th & 11th 2015 (and to Dick, for our show).

As you may guess, it seeks to explain reasons for the building of the model - really, to support the overall 'Smallford Station Project', as well as my impulse to build a small model of a real place and time which I can 'sort of' remember, having travelled to school on a 343 bus which went over the 'humped' S-bend bridge, sometimes almost airborne, so I didn't ever get 'extended' views!

Also, it was deliberately worded to fend off any 'observations' to the effect that "it wasn't actually like that...the line was more curved, the yard was much longer in relation to the station", etc., etc. I knew pretty well most of such things, as a result of early researches on the overall history project (looking at all the historic maps and photos, etc., available when I began to plan the model) but chose to 'keep it simple', as I had never built a model before.... let alone one at somewhere around 1:150 scale, when I had to scratch-build/kit-bash all the essential structures with no scale drawings and only the actual station building and a 'modified' part platform still extant (and with the station house inaccessible for measuring). I had to settle for 'doing the best I could manage' in the circumstances, but am gratified to have had my efforts appreciated by people who remember the station from looking at it extensively in the period of the model - including Roger Taylor, co-author of the 'definitive' Oakwood Press book, "The Hatfield & St.Albans Branch of the G.N.R.", who made all his personal archive available to our "Bringing the History of Smallford Station to Life" Project!

TRAFFIC NOTICE

Following some questions on Club nights, we'll cover here the traffic and locomotives for each of our layouts.

I think it's useful to view Finchley in the context of its position on the network, being on the Hampstead Junction Railway. To the east - the North London continues to Broad Street, Poplar, Temple Mills (Eastern), Ripple Lane (LTS) and the docks, whilst there is also a junction at Gospel Oak for the ex-Midland route via Tottenham, also for Ripple Lane and Temple Mills. To the west and south the line takes us to Willesden (LM), Acton (WR) and via Kensington to the Southern Region yards, though some trains Finchley by taking the direct route between Willesden and Camden Road via the WCML. To this mix we have added a link to the Midland, which therefore allows a facing connection from Brent to Neasden.

What might the 'spotter have seen at Finchley in 1959? If it were a Sunday maybe not a lot, but Monday to Saturday it was a procession of trains, with an average of less than 5 minutes between each train movement over every 24 hours, and passenger trains only just outnumbering the freight.

PASSENGER TRAINS

Perhaps the most obvious aspect is that the suburban passenger trains are all in the hands of EMUs with class 501, LMS GEC, LNW Oerlikon, all with headcode B4 (Richmond - Broad Street). There were peak time loco-hauled trains to between Broad Street and Tring, but they travelled via Camden, so we would need a good excuse to re-route them. These services often used Watford-based class 4 2-6-4 tanks, but in 1961 Scot no 46120 was seen, and I've seen notes that diesels 10000, 10001, 10201, 10202 and 10203 were all seen on the services. It is believed these ran with BR Mk 1 suburbans mixed with older stock. More plausible for us are the light engine movements between Willesden and Broad Street, even though they also ran mainly via Camden.

The Broad Street pilot would be a Willesden 4-6-0, 2-6-0 or 2-8-0, including sightings of a Patriot and 9F, and borrowed locos.

Parcels trains worked between Broad Street and Clapham probably with all manner of locos but known to have used Willesden-based 3P 2-6-2 tanks. All manner of additional services (excursion, troop, football etc) could be seen hauled by 4F, Crab, Back 5, Fowler 2-6-4T, Fairburn 2-6-4T, 7F, 2P 2-6-2T, 2F 2-6-0, Compound, 2P 4-4-0, BR 5MT, BR 4MT, BR 2-6-4T, Britannia

FREIGHT TRAINS

Mostly K (trip) or H (unfitted), so a wide range of wagons would be seen, with BR, SR, LM and NE brake vans.

A number of J (mineral) trains, full and empty. Most wooden-bodied mineral wagons would have disappeared by 1959, but a few would still be around.

WESTERN

Trains to and from Acton Yard used Eastern or Midland (LNW) locos.

Loading gauge prevented GWR-design steam locos from travelling beyond Acton Yard, but we are aware of three football specials from High Wycombe to east London each using 10 coach WR vestibule stock hauled by B1s! WR-based 73054 (in green livery) seen on oil tanks.

SOUTHERN

Trains from Feltham, Norwood and Hither Green yards worked to the Eastern yards and shared Eastern and Southern locos.

Regular freights hauled by classes 700, C, Q and Q1, perhaps a U1. Locos could be from the sheds at those yards, plus Guildford, Nine Elms or Stewarts Lane. Class 33 diesels seen from late 1960

Additional passenger trains seen hauled by BoB, Q1, U1, School, including a C2X hauling a Pullman coach to Finsbury Park, from very diverse sheds as far as Ramsgate, Exmouth Junction and Basingstoke.

EASTERN (GC)

Trains to and from Neasden yard, at a pinch, via our invented Midland link through Brent
We have only one recorded sighting of GC section locos - A D11 seen on an excursion.

EASTERN (GN)

Trains to and from Clarence and Ferme Park Yards worked to Acton, Feltham and Norwood Junction. using Hornsey-based locos.

Freight was in the hands of J6, J50, J52 and WD 2-8-0 - though despite confirmed sightings the J50 was supposedly banned west of Gospel Oak. There were also diesel classes 20, 21, 26

Additional trains - many examples of B1s, including a horse box special. Odd examples of N2 and L1 being used plus class 31 diesels, with at least one train class 31 hauled Gresley stock.

EASTERN (GE)

Trains from Temple Mills Yard used Stratford-based locos for Acton services, and also shared services with the three Southern yards and Willesden.

Freight hauled by J17, J15, J19 and J20, and diesel classes 15, 16, 20, 21, 31

Extra trains hauled by B1s, and a horse box special seen behind a J69, plus diesel class 31 and even a B17 'footballer'

MIDLAND (LTS)

Trains to and from Ripple Lane Yard using J39, WD 2-8-0 locos from Plaistow and Tilbury sheds

MIDLAND (MR)

Trains to and from Brent yard using Cricklewood-based locos, perhaps 2F 0-6-0, 4F, Jinty

MIDLAND (LNW)

The mainstay of the services seen, with freight trains serving Willesden Yard, Temple Mills, east London docks and a number of smaller yards. Locos would be from Willesden and Devons Road. Main freight turns would be in the hands of a Jinty, 4F, Mickey Mouse, 7F, 8F, Crab, Black 5, possibly 3F, diesel classes 15, 20, 24, 40. There were also express freights serving Broad Street and the North West using 4-6-0s.



CLUB UPDATE

East Bedfordshire Model Railway Society

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Here is an example map of timetabled freight services through Finchley for around 1956, with the bar representing departure and arrival points and the number of services shown on the Finchley row.

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		Feltham	Kensington	Willesden	Feltham	Acton	Willesden	Feltham	Acton	Willesden	Acton	Shepherds Bush	Hither Green	Norwood	Feltham	Acton	Willesden	Battersea	Norwood	Feltham	Acton	Acton	Acton	Willesden	Old Oak Siding	Acton	Willesden	Willesden	Acton	Willesden	Acton	Willesden	Acton	Willesden	Kensington	Acton	Old Oak Siding	Willesden			
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