



North West Area Group

NEWSLETTER APRIL 2026

Well, well! It seems only yesterday that I was editing Steve's note about the first run of the year and now a quarter of the year has gone down the plughole of time. Like many I have been trying to get things tidy and functional for running outdoors. Nice to see daffodils and so forth but now comes the army of weeds and how did the grass get that long? For myself it has been a matter of trying to fit in the necessary work when the rain gives us a break. Good luck to all of you who are preparing for Summer! Let's hope it's a good'un.

Keith Tanner writes: A Tribute to Ken Povey

Completely out of the blue this video popped up on Youtube. [A Tribute to Ken Povey](#). I posted the same video several years ago but I am not sure what happened to it. I never saw Ken's layout, it was impressively large.

To which Derek Chapman responded: There is a link to that video on our website, on the Gallery page.



A real gentleman, greatly missed!

First Run of the year by Steve

Happy New Year. Hope it was a good start. I have a small front garden on a main road. And the area I live in has not got a good reputation. However, over the last 12 years, a little bit at a time, I have managed to get a little railway in the garden. I have not got a back garden, more's the pity, but still I have managed.

Today I got out my live steam Brunel upright boiler loco, swept most of the track and got it running. Hopefully pictures are attached. The size is roughly 12 feet by 5 foot 8 inches.



JANUARY MEETING

Photos by Richard Waller



Photos by Keith Tanner



FEBRUARY MEETING

Photos from Arran White



Editor's contribution



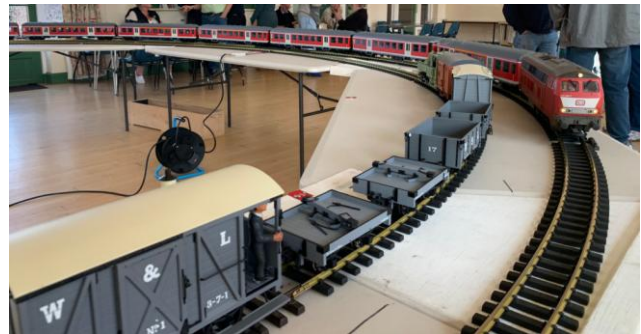


From Peter Ainley



MARCH MEETING

Photos by Peter Ainley





Editor's contribution:





From Andrew Jolley

Quack, quack! Sandra's ducks' day out.



NEVER MIND 'TRUST ME, I'M A TRADER.'

Someone came up with this list of dodgy workmen... or should that be workpersons... or maybe fabrications facilitators...?

Cordless - only works for two hours.
E.T. - always wants to go home.
Kitkat - always taking a break.
Muffler - always exhausted.
Seaweed - just floats around all day.
Sensor light - only works when someone walks past.
Wheelbarrow - only works when pushed.

You will note there is no mention of cowboys in this list. That's because we don't have cowboys any more. They are now bovine logistics executives.

NWAG Diary 2026

18th April Altrincham The regular monthly meeting. 10.00 onwards
16th May Altrincham The regular monthly meeting. 10.00 onwards
6th June Llangollen Garden Railway Festival 10.00 - 1630
20th June Altrincham The regular monthly meeting. 10.00 onwards

NO MEETINGS AT ALTRINCHAM IN JULY AND AUGUST

19th September Altrincham The regular monthly meeting. 10.00 onwards
17th October Altrincham The regular monthly meeting. 10.00 onwards
21st November Altrincham The regular monthly meeting. 10.00 onwards
19th December Altrincham The regular monthly meeting. 10.00 onwards

Contributions

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