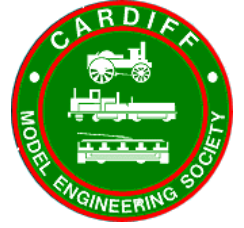
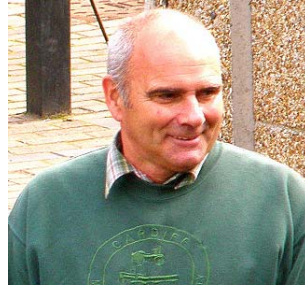


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Mike's Points



Autumn 2014

Amazingly we are now near the end of our season with only the Santa Special Open Day to come. It's been another summer of variable Open Days, due to the weather, some with almost no public attending to others with a full house and stretched manpower. Overall our numbers have been down on previous years so it shows how weather dependent we are. I would once again like to thank all the members who come and help on these Open Days. Without you the Society would not be in such a healthy financial position.



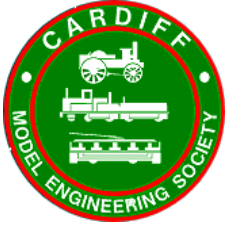
The AGM of the Society was held on the 9th of October with a reasonable turn out of members. The minutes of the AGM will be issued shortly but a few of the main points were:

A remembrance of four of our members who had passed away this year. Dave Morphett, Don Norman, Eddie Davies and Marc White.

Recognition of the effort put in by Mike Williams for the Society.

COMMITTEE elected:

Mike Williams (Chairman) Hywel Williams (Vice Chairman) John Styles (Treasurer)
Rob Matthews (Secretary) Dave Green, Nigel Kibby, Ken House, Roger Sully, Ken Stoat, Vic Polhil, John Cockfield.



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The Treasure's report showed the Society to be in a healthy position but the loss of revenue due to bad weather had made a dent in our takings. The very generous bequest from Eddie Davies' estate was acknowledged.

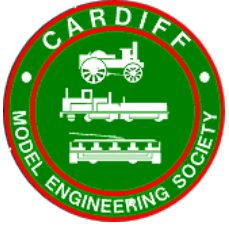
Announcement of the suspension of our planning application for the track extension and the fact that our planning for the bridge now seemed to be making progress.

The contribution of 'The Ladies' was acknowledged by the Chairman and Treasurer. They achieved a Grade of 5 (the top) on the food hygiene inspection that was undertaken at the start of the season. They yet again provided superb catering for all our visitors and members at the Rally and continue to provide excellent refreshment facilities on all our Open Days. Not only is it a facility for all, it produces a profit which is a vital part of our funds.

Around the Society

Raised level driving car for the Club locomotives: a prototype has been produced and is undergoing trials. It ran on the September Open Day and proved to be reliable. Production will now take place of four units incorporating the lessons learnt from these trials.





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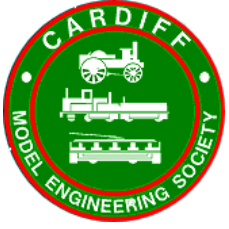
The power room of the tram shed has been cleared for use as a signalling interlock and power room. Signalling equipment is being installed by Hywel and the team.



A new widescreen projector with a larger motorised screen has now been fitted in the meeting room. This will show full HD quality material and will greatly improve the facilities we offer to speakers on our Thursday evening talks as well as to our own members for their talks and film shows.



The entrance to the riding car storage roads has been raised by nearly one foot and this should help members to avoid hitting their heads!



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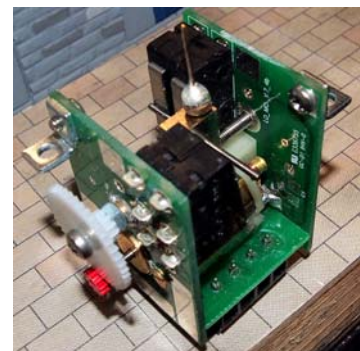
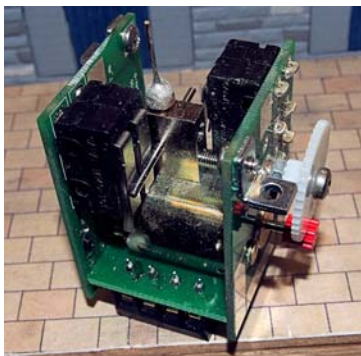
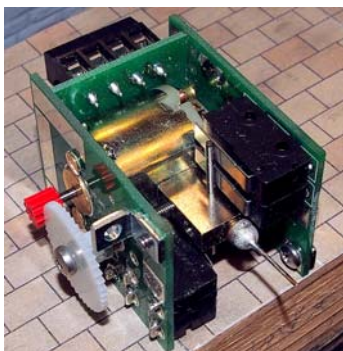
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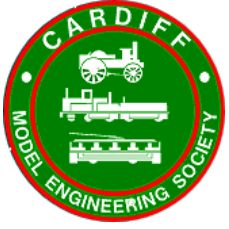


The OO section continue to make good progress with the new layout. Much of the work is unseen as a large part of it involves the wiring and control side of the project. Members are also constructing buildings for it but much of this work is done at home.



Part of the wiring/control system involves the construction and installation of nearly 70 point motors. These motors have been designed and built by Andrew Denholm.





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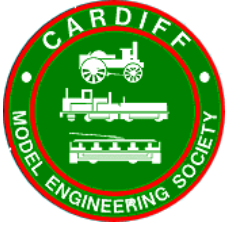


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The Santa Special tickets went on sale on the September Open Day which fortunately turned out to be a lovely day. As always an early queue formed outside and there was a rush to get the tickets and the time slot wanted.





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Once again Mr Hook celebrated his birthday at the Site and the Ladies prepared a lovely buffet on his behalf for the members present on the day.

