

## The Club

The club was formed in early 1973, with an aim to foster an interest in railways and railway modelling.

Membership of the club is open to anyone with an interest in the aims of the club and currently stands around 25.

The club is affiliated to the Fordhouses and Oxley Community Association and a member of the Chiltern Model Railway Association.

## The Layouts

Whenever space and membership support permits, we try to cater for all railway interests. Our current operational layouts are:-

### Charwelton '00' gauge

The layout is based on an actual station on the former Great Central line in Northamptonshire. It affords the opportunity to run a wide variety of locomotives and rolling stock and offers interesting operation, with an ironstone branch joining the mainline at the station. The layout is set in the late 1950's to early 1960's period.

A large fiddle yard holding 42 trains allows us to drive a wide variety of traffic hopefully run to a representative sequence.

### Oxendale Junction 'N' gauge

The layout depicts a fictitious Cotswold line junction station with branch lines to Chipping Norton, Great Tew and Burford.

A large fiddle yard holding 33 scale length trains provides operational interest.

The layout portrays BR-WR during the early 1960's period.

### Moretonhampstead '00' gauge

This is a scale model of the former branch terminus at the small south Devon town, during the 1930s. The locomotives and rolling stock are all authentic for the location and period.

### Stoke Summit '00' gauge

Constructed by club members, this layout represents a section of the East Coast main line south of Stoke Tunnel between Grantham and Peterborough.

The storage yards permit the operation of up to 38 trains and it is essentially a "watching the trains go by" layout. It has featured extensively in the model press and has attracted many invitations to exhibitions up and down the country.

The layout depicts either the steam to diesel transition period "late 1950's - early 1960's" or the early diesel period up to 1975.

### Merthyr Riverside 'EM' Gauge

The layout represents a fictitious goods only station on the western edge of Merthyr Tydfil, constructed by the former Brecon and Merthyr Railway.

The operation of the layout is principally shunting, set during the 1920's.

Now fully operational, a little scenic and detailing work remain to complete the layout.

### Layouts under construction

#### Old Mills 00 Gauge

The layout is based on the North Somerset line between Bristol and Frome, depicting a small colliery interchange during the period 1968 – 1972.

Construction is nearing completion, the majority of the outstanding work is on the scenic side. Winter 2009 has been set as the revised completion date with its exhibition debut planned to be in January 2010.

### New Projects at the Planning Stage

#### Test Track

A semi-permanent test track is proposed for the clubroom, initially circuits will be provided for N, 00 and EM Gauges. This will provide the opportunity to run trains when we want, without having to assemble on of the layouts.

#### Weaver Bridge?

A new project to construct a layout based on West Coast Main Line practice during the Sectorisation period (1985-1995).

Initial discussion and planning is continuing, however to speed construction it has been decided to use Stoke Summit's fiddle yard and build only the new scenic section.

## The Clubroom

This is available for the exclusive use of Club members and is usually open Tuesday and Thursday evenings between 8.00pm - 10.00pm.

The clubroom is also open on occasional weekdays and Saturdays for operator training and running sessions.

## Exhibition

We hold a model railway exhibition over the first weekend of November at Pendeford Business and Enterprise College, usually featuring our own and visiting layouts, displays, modelling demonstrations and trade stands.

**Membership Application**

I wish to apply for membership of  
Wolverhampton Model Railway Club.

Membership rates for the year 2009/10 are:-

Full Membership                    £60/year

Associate, Unemployed,  
Retired Membership            £30/year

Junior, Full Time education   £15/year

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Full name.....

Address.....

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Date of Birth (if under 18) .....

I undertake to comply with the rules and  
regulations of Wolverhampton Model Railway  
Club.

Signed .....

Date .....

Please hand in at the information stand at our  
exhibition or

For further information contact our

Chairman:-

Norman Turner Tel 01902 – 337264

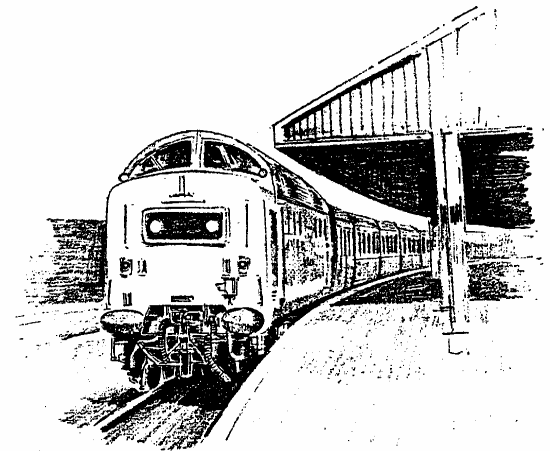
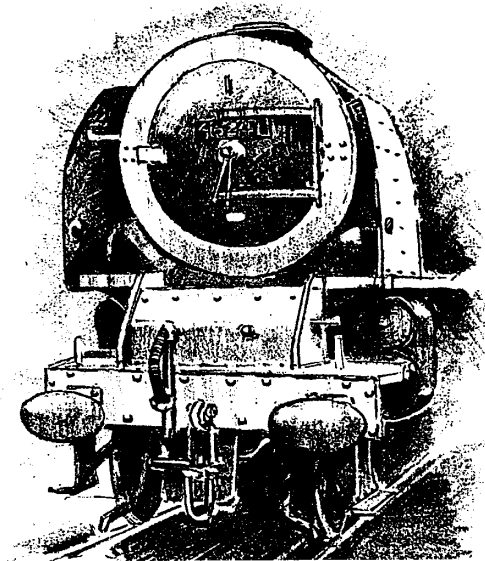
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Membership Secretary:-

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**Membership Prospectus**

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**Information Leaflet**