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Yorkshire Dales G Scale Group

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Dear

In late November 2005 along side the MTS study session, the core group members involved in the building of the club layout and its main funding met with other interested parties, plus those who attended the general club meeting, to discuss the future running and maintenance of the Yorkshire Dales G Scale group and its associated layout at the Keighley club rooms.

The out come of this session was the formation of,

- i) A committee to oversee the needs and care of our activities and layout
- ii) Elect group officers.

Voted in place:	Chairman	M Humphris
	Treasurer	M Cadamari
	Minutes (MTS)	R Metcalfe
	Publicity	P Inman
	Technical (non MTS)	T Parkinson
	Artistic Design	J Jennings

There remains one other committee place available, with a briefing role, i.e. a dedicated role for the committed individual An Events Organizer.

The first activity of the committee was to look into the value of the present layout, log its component parts and values and arrange insurance for the layout, which is on a quote of approximately £60 to cover £10,000 pounds. This is now in hand though, Grosvenor Insurance, the core group has agreed to fund this cover and at the same time have each bought a LGB point for the layout and associated bits and bobs, to enable the completion of a further circuit and sidings.

As a committee we met again in early January 06, a layout name would be welcome (Rollenberg Junction?).

Now to other group activities, under Alan Davies guidance Alan and myself were able to attend Longridge Primary School Christmas Fare, we set up a double circuit of track with sound effects, and the visitors to the fair paid 30p a go to operate the locos and their associated trains, so raising funds for the school, all the children so doing gained a certificate of the part one G scale driving test, all passed and enjoyed themselves many asking when we would be back so they could take part too! The School presented Alan and myself with a fine bottle of wine each, and hoped we may be able to undertake a future session at a event in 2006 for them! Thanking us, they also offered to support us at Knowle Green with posters etc, the children as usual loved the size and presence of G scale asking many questions, and taking details of the G scale web site etc. this was a thoroughly enjoyable event, from soup and tea with Alan, to the cups of tea and mince pies at the school, plus the assistance given by two senior school boys to pack up the layout (much appreciated).

MEMBERSHIP DETAILS

Yorkshire Dales G Scale Group

£12.50

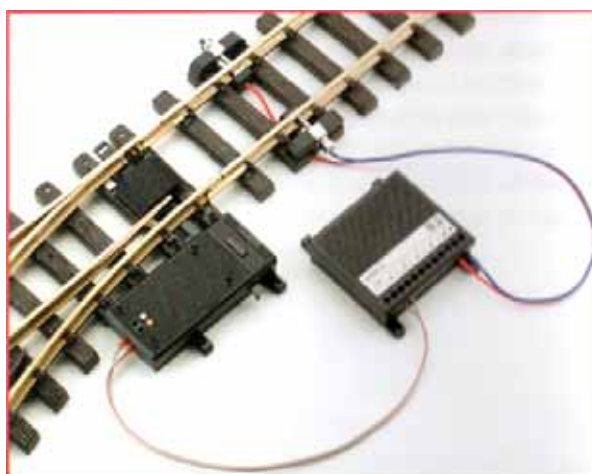
(This is not membership of the Keighley Model Railway Club)

Members of the Dales group will receive the group's quarterly newsletter "**Traffic**" and associated leaflets of **G scale** events around the country, and have access to events held by the group at Keighley and around other sites in the North of England, last year this included the following,

- Knowle Green Show
- Sue Ryder open day
- Bolton Abbey event's x 2 out door running live steam
- Open Gardens x 3
- Shared Visits to other events



Tutorials held at Keighley Club rooms includes a **MTS study day** and a **LGB Locomotive disassembly and rebuild etc**; a MTS study group also meet at present on a Friday evening this always goes on in to a social evening often only finishing at mid night or later! One of the group has linked Computers with the MTS system.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Event / Location	Date / Time / Notes
Keighley Club is opening its doors to the public.	Saturday 11 Feb, 2006 from 10am to 5pm Catering on the day is available. Please do come along.
Keighley Model Railway Exhibition open to all.	Saturday 18th and Sunday the 19th of March, Keighley Leisure Centre. G scale layout in attendance

Do join us this year if you can, Wishing you a Happy New Year Mike Humphris

Get Pasted!

By J.P.Jennings

An invite to Bolton Abbey Station did it.

As a new member to the Yorkshire Dales G-scale Group I went to lend a hand and with an outdoor show.

The day was sunny, we layed two large circuits out on the grass at the side of the station and people could watch from over the platform fence as we ran the trains. It was a good day and a good time was had day all. We had a second invite and this time having run on grass which in places was a bit uneven, I came up with a brain wave, what if!

Mike had brought some tables to put things on and I thought how about some paste tables, light, quick, cheap for the next weekend. So a trip to DIY store some G clamps from the local market and a bag of off cut timbers to chock the legs on the uneven ground. I bought four tables to form a basic rectangle. These provided enough space for a basic double track with sidings.

The G clamps to secure the tables together and “bobs your uncle” instant layout. Basic but effective, it shows what you can do and it produced a lot of interest in that dual purpose boards, set track up quickly, build and put away. Also a numerous variety of table layouts gives facilities to suit different location's. Sort of try and see if fits idea with least input until your happy with it.

And of course the tables can be used for other things too, like decorating even, ***perish the thought.***