

N A M E Rally 15th August 2015

Held at the track site of Wirral Model Engineering Society

The weather forecast had not been too wonderful but in the event the day dawned dry and the rain held off.

Proceedings commenced around 10.00 am by which time our colleagues from the Wirral Model Boat Club joined WMES. They put on a display that interested our visitors and passing fascinated people.

A member of both societies also provided music using his hand cranked mechanical organ that provided memories of yore for the older members amongst the throng.

In all around forty people were present which included three visitors with locomotives, all of whom operated on the 7 1/4" Gauge ground level track.

The raised track was in use and WMES members brought along eight steam locomotives that operated during the day giving rides to visitors.

Rides were provided on both railways to all who were participating in the Rally and this feature was very popular with our model boat visitors.

Lunch was provided around 12.30 pm and just about every item provided was eaten! Being dry it was possible to eat outdoors, al fresco, where the temperature was pleasant.

Obviously tea and coffee were flowing all day and after a busy time talking, riding or just watching, the proceedings drew to a close around 4.00 pm ish.

WMES wish to thank our all our visitors, especially Jeff Summers, Graham Gaer and Alan Bibby for attending. The NAME Cup for the 7 1/4" Gauge section was awarded to Graham for his delightful quarry locomotive.

During the day Alan Reid 'officiated' for NAME and we were pleased to welcome Richard Guthrie and his wife who had taken the trouble to drive over for the occasion.

Thanks again to everyone who participated and especially the ladies in the tearoom who provided the very necessary provisions to help the day along.







