



Urmston & District Model Engineering Society

present the

48th International Model Locomotive Efficiency Competition

held at the society's track at Chassen Road,

Flixton, Manchester

on Saturday and Sunday

23rd and 24th July 2016

Saturday's Competitors

Run No	Time Start	Driver	Locomotive
1	9.40	Marcus Peel (Southport M.E C)	5" GWR Prairie Tank
2	10.20	Karl Midgeley (Gravesend)	5" LMS Jubilee Jamaica
3	11.00	Thomas Leighton	5" Polly 1 "Rachael"
4	11.40	Paul Tomkins (Guildford)	5" Somerset & Dorset 7F 2-8-0
5	12.20	George Winsall (Rugby)	3 ¹ / ₂ " WHR "Russell"
6	13.00	John Cottam (Chesterfield)	5" Southern Merchant Navy
7	13.40	Stephen Harrison (Birmingham)	5" B1 4-6-0
8	14.20	Ben Pavier (Southport)	5" "Duchess of Abercorn"
9	15.00	Christopher Ball (Nottingham)	5" Hunslet Dholpur 2-8-4
10	15.40	John Barr (Leyland)	5" BR Britannia
11	16.20	Tim Jenkins (Southport)	5" Union Pacific "Big Boy"

Sunday's Competitors

Run No	Time Start	Driver	Locomotive
12	9.40	Bryn Jones (Chesterfield)	5" Polly 6
13	10.20	David Kerry (Chesterfield)	5" BR 9F "Evening Star"
14	11.00	Judith Bellamy (Leeds)	5" BR 9F "Braydon Star"
15	11.40	John Whale (Bristol)	5" GWR Saint "Lady of Quality"
16	12.20	Alan Crossfield (Leyland)	5" Patriot class 4-6-0
17	13.00	John Williams (Southport)	5" Nigel Gresley 2-8-0
18	13.40	Jack Dibnah (Isle of Man)	5" Isle of Man 2-4-0 tank
19	14.20	David Mayall (Bracknell)	5" LBSC Speedy
20	15.00	Paul Pavier (Llanelly)	5" GNR O1 2-8-0
21	15.40	Roger Holland (Chesterfield)	5" A4 "Wild Swan"
22	16.20	Lionel Flippance (Worthing)	5" Proposed BR 2-8-2

THE SOCIETY

Urmston & District Model Engineering Society was founded in 1948, the founders being members of Eccles Model Engineering Society, a club which had a raised track in Winton Park but which soon after became defunct.

Many of the members of the Eccles Society were residents of Urmston, to the south of the Ship Canal, so set about forming a new society. The then Urmston UDC offered some land in Abbotsfield Park, which had been a barrage balloon site during WW2, and partly allotments.

The few members set about clearing the site, to the south of the present small track, and built a raised track of about 500 feet which was in use by early 1950. This track consisted of flat steel bar on ex-BR sleepers spanning concrete posts. The track was replaced by aluminium alloy rail on scale wood sleepers in 1958.

In 1963 a second track was built running outside the original track, this track had a circuit of about 550 feet.

The present circuit round the park was brought into use in 1981 with the official opening the following year with a steam rally jointly with the Lancashire Traction Engine Club. The May Day Steam rally was continued for 29 years ending in 2010.

The IMLEC competition was held here back in 1985, being won by Alan Crossfield from Leyland with his *Nigel Gresley*.

The Urmston society extends its thanks to Leyland SME for the loan of their dynamometer car and other items for this competition and to Adrian Hinchcliffe for agreeing to take on the role of Chief Judge.