



Introduction:

Welcome to Quarterlight! It was decided that sometimes we will need to communicate with the members of the LMSCA periodically with news and information that can not wait until the publication of the Droplight Magazine. Hence the Introduction of the Quarterlight Newsletter. We hope the contents are of interest to you.



News:



Progress on the Period 2 Third Corridor 3031 has reached a stage that she is now ready for final painting, and an ex Derby C&W works coach painter is now on hand to finish the work. However, due to the winter period it was decided to wrap her up until the warmer weather returns and start investigative work on the National Railways Museum's LMS Period I Third Open,

7828. Consequently, the weekend before the LMSCA's first annual general meeting the exchange of the two took place. Current progress on 7828, for which a work diary is being written to keep track of the work undertaken, has centred on removing the gutters, rain strips, roof covering and scraping off the old roof canvas bedding compound to see the extent of water damage to the roof.



Recovery:

A set of 6 DMU gangways have recently been fetched from a South Wales scrapyards, two are for TK 1782 at the Churnet Valley Railway at present, the other four are possibly for the BG and possibly one end of the RK, the other coaches are all now sort of catered for.

Shed:

A Metal Bandsaw has recently been purchased and installed, and the compressor fitted with a new pressure switch and the pipework completed. The woodworking machinery should hopefully be wired up soon!

Gift Aid and us:

Now that the LMSCA is a registered charity a whole new avenue of fund raising opportunities has opened up in which you can help with minimal effort! Our treasurer, Derek Mason, gives us the low down:

"One major benefit of the LMSCA becoming a registered charity is that we are now eligible to receive Gift Aid backdated to 3rd April 2003.

"With Gift Aid, the LMSCA is able to reclaim from the Inland Revenue any income and/or capital gains tax which donors have paid on their donations and membership contributions.

"In order for the LMSCA to do this we require your consent simply by filling in a 'Gift Aid Declaration' form (enclosed). All you have to do is fill in *your* name, address and postcode. I have enclosed a pre-paid envelope for its return. Alternatively you can email me at 4974@derek7mason.free-online.co.uk agreeing to the 'Gift Aid Declaration' (remember your full name and postcode please) or call me on 01773-826432 (evenings) and I will confirm your details by post. Easy isn't it!

"Gift Aid can make a significant difference to our income (for a standard rate taxpayer we can claim 28p from the Inland Revenue for every £1 donated or given in membership fees). Many thanks for your contribution and continued support."

Derek Mason

On behalf of all the Trustees and volunteers at Rowsley.

Website:

After a period of absence, beyond the LMSCA's control, our website is now up and running again with a new look. There will be a new diary feature covering the restoration of the National Railway Museum's LMS Period I Third Open, 7828, that has recently started its restoration.

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Well, that's the end of the first edition of the Quarterlight Newsletter. We hope you have enjoyed it. Feel free to forward any feedback or better still why not drop in to see us some time. We are there most Saturdays and Tuesdays. In the meantime, we'll leave you with a view from the rear of the LMSCA Carriage Shed from one Saturday morning...

