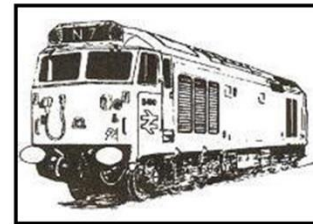
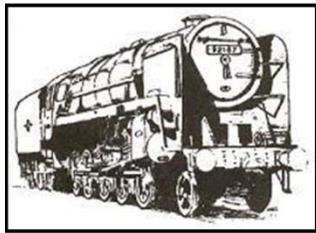


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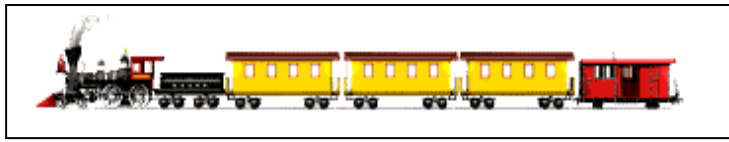
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Kensington Olympia on the West London line in 2016: Southern 377 707 on a Watford Junction to Brighton service (probably) and District Line S7 stock on shuttle to Earl's Court.

On **Monday 18 October** at **Kidlington Baptist Church Hall**, High Street, Kidlington, the Society is holding a live meeting, at which **Matthew Searle** will take us on a tour ***Around London***.

DID YOU KNOW...? In the 2012 James Bond film *Skyfall*, 007 works out how to pursue the villain through subterranean London by using the name of Granborough Road to decode a map found on his laptop. Full marks to Bond for knowing about this station on the outer reaches of the Metropolitan, closed in 1947.



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LOCAL NEWS UPDATE



The long-awaited deck refurbishment of the L&NWR swing bridge at Oxford was completed in September. A new cycle-friendly footbridge replacing the Jarvis Lane pedestrian crossing at Bicester on East West Rail, although not obviously remarkable, is in fact a first for Network Rail in being constructed of fibre-reinforced plastic, so that it should be virtually maintenance free.

We learn that Adrian Shooter's Beeches Light Railway has not as previously intended been dismantled for a move but is still operable at Steeple Aston; however, its long-term future is still not publicly known.

SEPTEMBER QUIZ ANSWERS

1. 750 v DC. – 2. The Pandrol clip. – 3. LBSC. – 4. Brush Traction (Loughborough) and BR Crewe. – 5. 0-6-4T. – 6. Green and blue & white. – 7. It is the world's highest station. – 8. To distinguish distant signals at night (before yellow lamps were adopted). – 9. Ashover Light. – 10. Five. – 11. 1977. – 12. Electric trams, 2ft 9in. – 13. Metro-Cammell. – 14. Hatfield and Selby (Great Heck). – 15. Hull & Barnsley (at Hull). – 16. The last examples were used at Holyhead Breakwater, not connected to the rest of the network.

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