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Burch Green (OO) - Les painted the underside of the baseboards to prepare them for electrics, and Geoff and Alf have now moved on to track-laying.

Phoenix Park (OO) – LC Jeff Bamford/Pete Marshall.



The layout remains popular for running sessions and scenic work continues, working colour light signals have been fitted as have numerous small items to bring the layout alive (note the group of drinkers by the pub door and the undulating street that can be viewed from the same pub. Some recent photos are included, taken for the GCR model event.

Soarston Lower Level (DCC OO) – LC Jim Duckworth. Following on from it’s successful debut at our Club Exhibition, it was decided to precede with the plan of a high level terminus station behind the Builder’s Yard and Gypsum Works. This will be built as an addition to the back of the existing layout or alternatively as a small separate “stand alone” layout if required.

We will start this Layout later in the year so at present we are adding fine detail to the present layout. We are working at present on the Station Grass, then more foliage and bushes will be put in place.

Rise Park (N) – LC Les Richardson. It is currently stored in the clubroom following its return from Nottingham show. It will be re-erected in August to prepare in and its trains for its next outing at Loughborough show at the beginning of September. The layout appeared in the May edition of BRM.

Those rich people who also subscribe to the digital edition may have noticed a reluctant piece to camera done by the gang.....

Croft Spa. Les has got this erected in his shed at the moment and scenery is coming along, with some decent laser-cut paving slabs making a real difference to the Belgrave Terrace part of the layout. Les has also decided not to share the proscenium with Hawthorn Dene, to save weight in transport.

No Place. Following being operated by Tony at the Manchester DCC show in May, Les has decided to change the couplers used from his own system to Kadees, largely as this might stop wagons moving off randomly by themselves (says Les, hopefully).

OTHER:-

- **DATA PROTECTION (Les Richardson)**

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- **ALLY PALLY (Les Richardson)** Andy York took this pic of Bob and Les at Ally Pally. Reproduced courtesy of BRM and Andy York.



- **Graham's Railway Memories** In 1972, I was ordered to work at Nottingham instead of Derby. I thus pedalled my bike every day from Belper to Nottingham. One day, I asked where I could get my hair cut quickly, quietly and cheaply and was sent to Peppers Hair-Dressing. My hair was cut by Tony Sheard and being a creature of habit I stayed with him as he moved around. He is now cutting hair at his home. The other Nottingham bit was when Greg Deacon became my Boss at work– and he still is since he joined BMRC!

Diary Dates – *Please give Graham details of events of railway interest for the Diary.*

RCTS Nottingham meetings are held at The New Mechanics, 3 North Sherwood Street, Nottingham NG1 4EZ. Both Society members and non-members are very welcome to attend their meetings.

2018	
Sept 1/2	Soar Valley MRC, Loughborough. Rise Park
Sept 9	Weston Super-Mare. Hawthorn Dene
Nov 10/11	Barnsley. Hawthorn Dene
Nov 24/25	Warley, National Exhibition Centre Hawthorn Dene
2019	
February	Sileby. Croft Spa
April 6/7	Our Exhibition at Cotgrave Welfare.
November	Spalding. Hawthorn Dene
2020	
April 4/5	Our Exhibition at Cotgrave Welfare