

ENGINE 61662 APPEAL





We weren't able to carry out a great deal of work on our LNER tender during December due to poor weather and several Members having family commitments around the holiday period. However, fund raising and publicising the project continues and I'd like to thank everyone who has bought Shares in the loco or sent in donations towards restoring the tender. Your support is greatly appreciated, particularly when we know that the ever increasing cost of 'Christmas' makes a huge dent in everyone's finances!

Work parties will resume in the next few weeks and in the meantime, the available space does give us the opportunity to feature this superb photograph of Matthew Cousins O Gauge model of 'Manchester United'. BR Brunswick Green was our first choice livery when we set up the project but I'm sure no one would object to seeing the loco in LNER colours at some future time. Thanks Matthew for sharing this with us.

Now for some advance notice: During the break we received a very kind invitation for our 61662 Publicity Stand to attend the 'Football Special' event being held on 8th June at Oswestry Station on the Cambrian Heritage Railway. Last years' event was hailed as a great success so we are looking forward to attending. Like many of the things we take for granted in the 21st. century, the national game of Football was developed as a direct result of the opening of the railways and of course, todays 'Manchester United FC' came into being due to the workers of the L&Y at Newton Heath. If you've not seen it before, check out this link showing how 'Manchester United FC' came into being: http://h2g2.com/edited_entry/A1159067

The 'Football Special' event will be a unique opportunity for us to publicise our project with Railway Enthusiasts and Football Fans at the same time so please make a note in your diary to come along and support this venture if you can. Further details will be made available as soon as we receive them or you can check the Cambrian Heritage Railways website for more information:

http://www.cambrianrailways.com/html/latest_news_2013.html