

# West Wiltshire Society of Model Engineers Newsletter

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## Calendar

### **October**

 $\mathbf{1^{st}}$  – Saturday Steam Up. 10am-4pm.

15<sup>th</sup> – Saturday Steam Up. 10am-4pm.

19<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday Evening Talk.

British Steam Ships - John Leverick 7:30pm.



#### **November**

5<sup>th</sup> – Saturday Steam Up. 10am-4pm.

19<sup>th</sup> – Saturday Steam Up. 10am-4pm.

### **December**

**3<sup>rd</sup>** – Saturday Steam Up. 10am-4pm.

17<sup>th</sup> – Saturday Steam Up. 10am-4pm.





# <u>News</u>

# Club Loco Build

Polly Molly-Ann

By Pete Brougham



The Polly project is nearing completion.

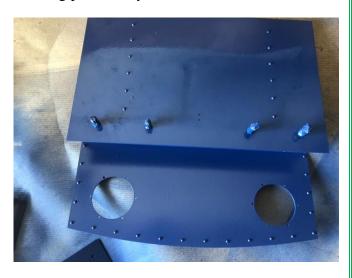
As I write this the tank and cab are awaiting the final coat of top coat.



Adan Meridith (member) will line it out, that is what he does for a living, but to the club FOC.



Earlier this month the boiler passed its 1½ times working pressure hydraulic test.



Next put it all back together and a steam test, it will then be ready to be commissioned. I have had some help since my stroke which has been invaluable and thank you very much.



It has been impossible to hold any more building sessions as most work has been fitting which has required lots of fettling.

See you all about the club site,

Pete



## Club BBQ

### By Pete Brougham



Before I went on holiday we held a BBQ and steam up. Thank you to everyone who attended. We could have done with a few more teamers but thirty plus people attended and we made a small profit on the catering



Thanks to everyone who helped with the BBQ and for the ladies for serving the food and drinks.

An enjoyable day which we should expand on next year.



# A 'Brit' of Ingenuity

A 5" Britannia is a heavy machine so when club member Graham Burton needed to work on the axel pump of his locomotive he devised this ingenious inverter.



Christened the 'Brit Spit' by another club member who should probably remain anonymous, it certainly may look a bit like a hog roast but I don't think it was on the menu at the club BBQ!



Judging by the picture below, Graham certainly looks to have got the full attention of no less than three club boiler inspectors for his 5" Britannia steam test.

