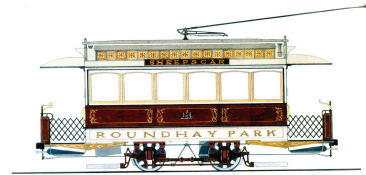


LEEDS TRANSPORT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

As a result of the latest Coronavirus restrictions, our AGM, postponed from 6 April will now be held by Zoom conferencing at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 12 October.

We hope you will be able to join us for this online AGM; if so then please return the attached voting form to the Secretary at johnbholmes@btinternet.com by Saturday 11 October for a link to access the Zoom meeting.

Alternatively you may vote by posting the form to **LTHS Secretary, 16 Sussex Avenue, Horsforth, LS18 5NP** to arrive no later than Friday 10 October.

The reports were issued with the March *News Sheet*; (September for new members) and the financial report will be available at the meeting.

All current Committee Members/Trustees are standing for re-election and we have received one nomination for the vacancy.

FORTHCOMING LTHS MEETINGS & EVENTS

Again, as a result of the latest restrictions, monthly face-to-face meetings have had to be suspended until further notice.

However we shall be holding our first ever on-line social meeting in November at the usual time and date, again using Zoom technology.

Mon. 9 Nov. **My Lockdown Covid Dream Holiday** Mel Reuben

A joining invitation will be emailed to all those whose email addresses we have. If in any doubt, please send your email address to the Secretary as above.

Details of future meetings will be given in the December *News Sheet*.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

The annual £10.00 membership subscription became due from all members in September and we urge you to renew if you have not already done so.

Payment may be made by cheque (payable to Leeds Transport Historical Society) to the Hon. Treasurer, A.Cowell, 3 Rydal Avenue, Garforth, LEEDS, LS25 1JG. We can claim Gift Aid collectively on all small donations of £20.00 or less provided we have your postal address.

Payment can be made by Bank Transfer should you find it more convenient. Details were given in the September *News Sheet* but following spurious use of our account details we are not publishing them again. We are setting up arrangements to accept future payments for sales and membership by telephone or online by credit/debit card.

Many thanks to members who have already renewed.

MEMBERS' BOOK AUCTION

The Society has received a stock of second-hand books, mostly from the clearance of Jim Soper's house, and these are being offered to members before going into our normal sales stock. A list is enclosed which is also a bidding form, and can be submitted by post or by email.

It is in two parts. The first is a selection of brand new books at fixed members' preferential prices, including our own publications.

These books are being offered for members' use only. Anyone requiring books for resale should contact our book sales officer on enquires@lths.co.uk or write to :- Enquiries, LTHS 38 Westcombe Ave., Leeds, LS8 2BS.

LAST ISSUE'S PUZZLE PICTURES

Our observant members have come up with a host of answers here, all virtually correct. Thanks in particular go to Henry Holdsworth and Chris Thornburn who wrote at length. The answers (and some of the comments) will appear in the December issue as usual.

JOHN'S OCTOBER "TOWN" QUIZ

Our ever-active Secretary has set another puzzle to occupy your spare moments.

The following "towns" were all served by tram, but on which systems?

Fartown _____

Hightown _____

Linktown _____

Churchtown _____

Holytown _____

Newtown _____

Gallatown _____

Tylorstown _____

Vickerstown _____

Grangetown _____

Jamestown _____

Johnstown _____

EASYFUNDRAISING



We are now registered with easyfundraising. This is an organisation through which online retailers make donations to charities at no cost to the customer.

Using this scheme, we get £5.00 when you first sign up and then when you buy online from such firms as Amazon, John Lewis & Partners, eBay, Argos, Marks & Spencer and many other major retailers we get 1 to 2% each time on your purchases.

The system is easy to use - you just need to follow the instructions on the attachment (below).

You can also pass the attachment on to family and friends, who can then support us as well.

This is the hyperlink to find more or sign up:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/leedsth>

LOWFIELDS ROAD ARCHAEOLOGY QUIZ

Dave Johnson

In the September News Sheet, I wrote about lifting the pointwork in Lowfields Road Permanent Way Yard. The excavations had to be carried out to a strict timescale and with a minimum of disruption, so we didn't have the time or the space to do an archaeological 'dig' at the site.

This was a pity, because it was obvious that there were all sorts of interesting artefacts lying just beneath the muck. These were items which had dropped off the trams as they were burned, but then must have got covered in debris and forgotten.

I did manage to pick up a few bits & pieces at random in just one small area, so you can imagine there must have been an awful lot more to discover.

The attached picture shows the eleven items I picked up. Some are easily identifiable, but others have baffled me for over 30 years. So, this is a 'picture quiz' with a difference! Can any of you experts out there identify all the bits? If anyone would like individual pictures of each item, I'll gladly send them. Just email me on: david.johnson359@btinternet.com

I look forward to getting some answers!



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