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A Successful first Zoom Meeting.

The number of our members who took part in the meeting we held on 10th February was lower than we hoped at just 10, the total attendance was boosted to 29 by guests including 19 from the Norwich and District Aviation Group and 1 other guest. Nevertheless, from post meeting messages, Trevor Eady's address on the North Norfolk Railway was very well received, very informative and entertaining. He covered the history and development from 1964; rolling stock together with the many and varied events the railway now runs. From comments received it is clear the evenings event, as a whole, was clearly enjoyed.

As a result, the Committee has considered the meeting a reasonable success and a benchmark to hold other Zoom based meetings until we are able to return to having our monthly dinners again. We hope a few more members might be able to join in at the March zoom meeting.

10th March 2021 Meeting

As previously advertised, Keith Longmore will be addressing us on "Metal Fatigue and the Life of Road Vehicles. This meeting, like February's, is open not only to members and their personal guest(s), both also individuals and groups from other organisations/clubs.

With Keith's subject being specifically related to the motor industry, by attracting guests we are promoting the club and may find potential new members interested in joining the club. If you know anyone who would be interested in joining the meeting and hearing what Keith has to say please feel free to invite them and let Barry know.

We have already sent invites to the Norwich & District Aviation Group committee together with the local committees of the Institute Road Transport Engineers and the Institute of the Motor Industry.

The event is scheduled to start from 7.30pm although it will be possible to log on slightly earlier and talk to other early joiners. For those of you who have the Zoom App on your devices the log-in codes are:

Meeting number - 7776518045 Password NTC.

If you do not have the Zoom App already installed on your computer device a link is available to enable you to join the meeting without the App. (*see the link included in the email with which this newsletter has been distributed. Just click on the link to access the meeting*).

If you get your newsletters by post and want the link so as to log on, please request it from Barry (*tel. or text 07789103154. Email thenorwichtrafficclub@gmail.com*) well in advance of the 10th March.

Barry will be pleased to answer any queries you may have about the meeting or accessing Zoom.

The Remaining Events of the 2021 Season. The Committee met on 3rd February and reviewed the chance of being able to hold a viable 2021 Annual Dinner on the 25th June. It was considered that, irrespective of the then forthcoming exit from Lockdown Road Map, there would be a lack of confidence and too much caution amongst many members and guest leading to insufficient attendance numbers. Consequently, considering that for planning, making all the arrangements and getting sufficient confirmed bookings can take up to 3 months, the date for the Annual Dinner has now been moved to Friday 24th September. If for any reason it cannot go ahead on that date the event will not be rescheduled again.

With regard to our 21st April and 19th May monthly meetings, there was nothing in the Government's new Road Map to suggest our being able to hold them other than on Zoom. Rather, the proposed timings reinforced this and our decision to defer the Annual Dinner to September. We will of course keep everything under review and keep you regularly informed.

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