



# CLUB NOTES



**Kendal M.C.**—Satisfactory progress is reported. Meccano Model-building is the chief pursuit of members, who are now constructing models for Exhibition purposes. Two models of special interest that recently have been built are a realistic Leyland Lorry and an Overhead Rotating Crane fitted with a two-speed gear box and driven by a clockwork motor. A Stamp Section has been formed and regular Games Nights arranged in addition to the usual programme. Club roll: 10. *Secretary:* A. Brown, 29, Crescent Green, Kendal.

**St. Columba's (Sunderland) M.C.**—Rambles along the sea coast and inland formed part of the Autumn programme and interesting specimens of pond life were collected. Visits were paid to the Fire Station and the Telephone Exchange. At the Fire Station a special demonstration of a new fire escape was given. Excursions were made to Durham, where the Castle and Cathedral were thoroughly examined, and to Penshaw. A Mock Trial and two Model-building Competitions have been held, one of the last-named being a Simplicity Contest. Club roll: 32. *Secretary:* G. Spain, 6, Collingwood Terrace, Southwick, Sunderland.

**Sligo M.C.**—A Meccano Steam Engine and a No. 4 Outfit have been purchased for general use. Interesting models are being built in preparation for a special "Meccano Week." A Lantern Lecture was given by the Leader on the "Advantages of Meccano to the Young Engineer." At its conclusion members were asked to construct models from their own drawings, and the builder of the best was appointed "Foreman of the Models" for the week. A Cycle Run to a large railway junction proved interesting and instructive. The Football Team has made a very successful start in the new season. Club roll: 14. *Secretary:* K. Mc Menamin, 78, John St., Sligo.

**Earlsfield M.C.**—Has now reopened for the Winter Session with an attractive programme of hobbies and outdoor recreations. Model-building Contests have been arranged and the Football Club has embarked on an ambitious programme, having entered three Cup competitions. A Dance in aid of club funds has been held. Club roll: 18. *Secretary:* D. S. Dye, 15, The Drive, Earlsfield, Grantham, Lincs.

**Bramley M.C.**—A larger and more suitable club room has been obtained and work in preparation for the Annual Exhibition to be held this month is being vigorously carried on. Splendid models were submitted in the first Grand Model-building Competition of the Winter Session, and an extensive Hornby Train Layout is being built up. Club roll: 13. *Secretary:* J. N. Smith, 1, Highfield Street, Bramley, Leeds.

**Hackney M.C.**—Has now secured affiliation to the Guild and is making good progress. A No. 7 Meccano Outfit has been bought for club use. Funds for this were provided by several friends interested in the club and the Outfit was exhibited in the window of a local dealer as part of a recruiting campaign. The programme includes Model-building Contests, Lectures and Talks, and at a recent meeting the Leader, Mr. R. H. Panther, spoke on "Pioneers, Explorers and Smugglers." New members are required and the secretary will be pleased to hear from boys interested. *Secretary:* A. T. Field, 76, Lavender Grove, Dalston, E.8.

**Cranleigh M.C.**—A new and more convenient club room has been secured, and a varied indoor programme arranged. Members are chiefly engaged in preparing models for the Club's Exhibition, and rehearsals for a Concert also are in full swing. Club roll: 17. *Secretary:* W. West, Police Station, Cranleigh, Nr. Guildford, Surrey.

**Horsforth M.C.**—Outdoor Games on club nights and special Sports Meetings concluded the Summer Session's activities. Two Sports Meetings were held, one for Juniors and the other for Senior members. An Excursion to Roundhay Park was greatly enjoyed, exciting Boat Races on the lake being held. Club roll: 30. *Secretary:* H. Giles, 12, Kerry Street, Horsforth, Nr. Leeds.

**Alton M.C.**—Recent outdoor events have included a Model Aeroplane Meeting in addition to Games and Visits. The Summer Session was ended by an Excursion to Eastleigh Locomotive Works, followed by a visit to Southampton Docks. In preparation for indoor work Meccano Parts to the value of £3 have been purchased. A talk was given by Mr. A. W. Exton, Leader of the Club, on "Photography." Club roll: 24. *Secretary:* G. Chesterfield, 82, Normandy St., Alton, Hants.

**Belgrave (Leicester) M.C.**—Cricket Matches and a Water Polo Match against members of a local Model Aeroplane Club completed the Session's activities. Members are now following a varied programme of Model-building Competitions and Lectures. A Chemistry Night was a great success, members particularly enjoying the experiments on fireworks, which all ended with satisfactory bangs! Club roll: 9. *Secretary:* K. J. Hatfield, 25, Acorn Street, Leicester.

of each meeting is devoted to Games and Recreations, the most popular of these being Boxing. Club roll: 16. *Secretary:* J. Beal, 21, Francis St., Lindsay, Ontario.

**Moose Jaw (Saskatchewan) M.C.**—An excellent club room has now been secured and a recruiting campaign has brought many new members. For a few days before the first meeting a special Model Display was given in the window of the local Meccano dealer. Excellently organised Model-building Competitions have been held and an Exhibition of models is being arranged, when prizes will be awarded for the best entries from members. *Leader:* Mr. Alex Saunders, 207, Times Bldg., Moose Jaw, Sask.

## NEW ZEALAND

**Dunedin Hobbies M.C.**—An interesting Lecture was given by the Leader, Mr. H. F. Griffiths, on "Mount Cook and its Surroundings." The Aviation

Section continues to be active, and among the many models of aeroplanes constructed great attention was attracted by one built to scale of "The Spirit of St. Louis," in which Colonel Lindbergh crossed the Atlantic Ocean. Members are greatly interested in Wireless and special evenings are arranged for it. Club roll: 43. *Secretary:* R. W. Mills, 28, Clifford St., Dalmore, Dunedin.

**Kaiapoi M.C.**—Prizes of 15/- and 10/- were awarded in a recent Model-building Competition. These were won by members who submitted models of a Dredger and an Elevator. Members of the club won the First and Second Prizes in a Model-building Competition held in Christchurch. A talk on "The Manufacture of Armour Plate, Naval Guns and Shells" was given by Mr. W. Burnet, of Vickers Ltd. Cycle rides have been arranged for the open air season and the first of these were carried through very successfully. Club roll: 13. *Secretary:* L. Allison, North Road, Kaiapoi, Canterbury, N.Z.



A merry group of members of the New Durban M.C. Under the guidance of the Leader, Mr. O. G. Pattison, who in our photograph is seated in the centre of the third row, wonderful progress has been made, membership having increased to 70 in eight months. Members show great skill in Model-building, and specialise in large club models.

**Pharos M.C.**—A Visit to the S.R. first-class passenger steamer "Canterbury" proved highly interesting. This boat carries passengers for the well-known train, the "Golden Arrow." Members thoroughly inspected the life-boat gear, the engines, and the propeller shafts, and the working of the ship's compass was explained to them. A Lantern Lecture has been given on "Aeroplanes," and two Model-building Competitions have been held. Club roll: 30. *Secretary:* G. Bailey, 40, Heathfield Avenue, Dover.

**Mall School M.C.**—The Exhibition at the end of the Summer Session was very successful. Chief prizes were awarded for a Plasticine model of a Village, and a Meccano model of a Battleship. Two Lectures have been given by the Leader, Mr. E. Cooke, on "Optics" and "The Internal Combustion Engine" respectively. Club roll: 23. *Secretary:* F. M. Beatty, 23, Oxford Road, Teddington, Middlesex.

**Braintree County High School M.C.**—Double programmes are arranged at each meeting in order to give members a choice of activities. An interesting programme of Lectures is to be given. In these good use is being made of the School Epidiascope, which projects views of apparatus, Meccano parts, illustrations from books, etc., on a screen. Table Tennis and other games are being taken up, and a Magazine called "The Triangle" is to be published in order to give club news and results of competitions. Club roll: 19. *Secretary:* P. Allen, "St. Edmunds," Bocking, Braintree.

**Hessle M.C.**—Model-building Competitions are being made a special feature for the winter programme. Members have brought their Outfits to the club room, where lockers are provided in which to store them, and in which partly constructed models may be kept. The Library has been reorganised and now includes Journals taken by members. Club roll: 11. *Secretary:* T. A. Fillingham, "Red Lea," Marlborough Avenue, Hessle.

## CANADA

**Lindsay (Ontario) M.C.**—The chief activity of members of this newly affiliated club has been Model-building. A club model has been constructed and a new bridge erected in the locality. The closing period

## Clubs Not Yet Affiliated

**Weymouth M.C.**—By kind permission of the Vicar, the club now has the use of a classroom in St. John's Boys' School. Two sections have been formed, each under its own Leader, and an attractive programme of Model-building Competitions has been arranged. Each member submits a model weekly. Points are awarded and the member who has most points at the end of the session will become the holder of a Shield, that has been constructed by a Section Leader and the secretary. A Library has been formed, and an exhibition of models is to be held on 25th and 26th November in conjunction with their Christmas Fair. *Secretary:* C. Chalker, 4, St. Edmund St., Weymouth.

**Blackburn M.C.**—Meetings were resumed in September and have been well attended. A Hornby Locomotive and a No. 5 Meccano Outfit have been purchased for the use of members, and an interesting programme of Model-building Evenings has been arranged. *Secretary:* K. Charnley, 772, Whalley New Road, Brownhill, Blackburn.

**St. Owen's (Hereford) Boys' School.**—This newly formed club meets at 7 p.m. on Thursdays in the St. Owen's Boys' School. An interesting programme is being followed, this including Model-building, Talks and Competitions. Experimental Evenings also have been arranged and these will be held in the School Laboratories. New members are required and the secretary will be pleased to give details to any Meccano boy who wishes to join. *Secretary:* I. D. Williams, 4, St. James Place, Maylord St., Hereford.

**Chiswick M.C.**—The chief activity of last session was Cycling and on their runs members visited many places of interest near London. An Exhibition has been planned. At these, large club models and a Hornby Railway System will be prominent features. An excellent club room has been secured and it is hoped that affiliation to the Guild will be secured shortly. *Secretary:* H. P. B. Betlem, 139, Park Road, Chiswick, London, W.4.