

OFFICERS' NEWSLETTER 109

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OFFICERS' CONFERENCE 2016

The agenda for the Officers' Conference is included as **OC2016_AGENDA** with this mailing. Can all secretaries please ensure that all delegates from their branch committee who are planning to attend receive a copy. Please remember to bring along copies of last year's Officers' Conference minutes which was sent out with Newsletter 93.

If anyone has an item for 'Any Other Business' could you please send details in writing to the Society Chairman, W. Gordon Davies, 13 Blackthorn Close, Broughton, Chester, CH4 0PY. Tel: 01244 520710 e-mail chairman@rcts.org.uk or myself (details above) no later than NOON on Monday 18th October.

Also included is the Branch/Officers' attendance record, **OC2016_ATTENDANCE** which should be completed and passed to myself before the conference. Could you please indicate on the return any member who is attending the conference for the very first time?

You can also send your information by post, to my e-mail address or leave a telephone message. This includes any apologies. Contact details above.

Please note that apologies must be tendered prior to the Officers' Conference by NOON on Thursday 20th October. Emails and my home telephone WILL NOT be accessed after that time. You may leave messages with the hotel reception on 01 539 532331 in the event of a late change of plan.

Can every branch please respond to this invitation – last year every branch did so. Let's keep it up.

So far we have gained 111 new recruits this year – compared with 133 at the same time last year.

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3rd October 2016



2016 OFFICERS' CONFERENCE

Sunday 23rd October 2016 at 9.15a.m.

**The Cumbria Grand Hotel
Lindale Road
Grange-over-Sands
LA11 6EN**

Telephone No: 01539 532331

A G E N D A

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| 1. Opening of Conference by Society Chairman | Gordon Davies |
| 2. Apologies for Absence | Alan Cooke |
| 3. Confirmation of Year 2015 Minutes
(Previously Circulated with Newsletter 93 – November 2015) | Gordon Davies |
| 4. Matters Arising not covered by the Agenda | Gordon Davies |
| 5. The Railway Observer | Mike Robinson |
| 6. Website --- Web 4 Project | David Kelso |
| 7. Publications sub-committee | Gordon Davies |
| 8. Development sub-committee | Eric Palmer |
| 9. Discussion of Action Points from Regional Meetings | Alan Cooke |
| 10. Society Finance. | Reg Wood |
| 11. Date & venue for 2017 Members' Weekend and OC | John Day |
| 12. Date & Venue for 2017 Annual General Meeting | Gordon Davies |
| 13. Any other competent business (Previously Notified) | Gordon Davies |

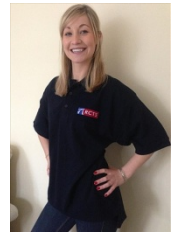
**A Tea & Coffee break will take place approximately
half-way through the conference.**



The Society Clothing range will be available to purchase at the Members' Weekend in Grange over Sands.

The range includes stylish fleeces, polo shirts, and our new rugby shirts, in three sizes (M, L and XL) All are made from high quality material in navy blue with the society logo embroidered on the front.

The RCTS fleece, at £30, is particularly good for keeping warm on draughty platforms, and features zipped pockets to keep your belongings safe. The Society polo shirts are great in warmer weather or for branch meetings and is just £16. Launched in 2014, the new RCTS rugby shirt costs £28 and is a modern twist on the traditional sweatshirt. We also now have beanie hats - at just £8 you'll never get a cold head again!



Members attending the weekend can pre-order their clothing for collection at the Members' Weekend by emailing clothing@rcts.org.uk with details of what they would like. Please order by Saturday 15 October. Payment can be made by Cash, Cheque or Credit/Debit Card at the event.