

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Title</u>   | <u>Speaker</u>  | <u>Details</u>   |
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| 11-Jan      | THE REOPENING OT THE WELSH HIGHLAND RAILWAY  | Andy Savage   | As the deputy chairman of the WHR, Andy describes his role in bringing the WHR back into operation, particularly specialising in infrastructure works  |
| 25-Jan      | AGM + THE RAILWAY OF SYRIA   | AGM+Doug Cross  | The first half will be our AGM. The 2nd half will be member Doug Cross who will give a talk about Syria and Jordan based on two visits in 2004 and 2005  |
| 08-Feb      | A PASSAGE THROUGH INDIA  | Colin Brading   | Colin returns to show us his travels through India in 1985 & 2000 and includes a range of lines and gauges as well as the vibrant life of this country   |
| 22-Feb      | THE HILL RAILWAYS OF GERMANY, SWITZERLAND & INDIA - FROM A TOUR MANAGERS PERSPECTIVE             | Alex Green  | Alex, brother of Chris Green, worked for Regional railways before privatisation. Since retirement he works for Great Rail Journeys and in this talk he will discuss The Harz mountain railway, Swiss Brienz Rothorn & Bernina express and Shimla, Darjeeling & Nilgiri in India  |
| 08-Mar      | MANAGING REGIONAL RAILWAYS   | Theo Steel  | Theo, a former manager of Regional railways before privatisation, describes the formation and the development of this sector of BR during the 1980s  |
| 22-Mar      | STRICTLY STRALSUND   | Richard Green   | Richard returns for the 27th time to show members what the overseas group saw on their annual overseas trip, this time to Stralsund in North Germany   |
| 12-Apr      | RAILWAYS OF THE BALTIC STATES  | Tony Olsson   | Tony will talk about the railways of the Baltic states(Lithuania,Estonia,Latvia)   |
| 26-Apr      | RAILWAYS OF GLASGOW & WEST CENTRAL SCOTLAND in the 1980s & 1990s                                 | Robin Ralston   | Robin, a Glaswegian, will show us a selection of pictures taken in Glasgow and the surrounding area during the 1980s and 1990s   |
| 10-May      | CROSSRAIL<br>'Moving London Forward'<br><i>Reading &amp; Heathrow-Shenfield &amp; Abbey Wood</i> | Patrick Griffin<br><i>(insurance &amp; information manager)</i> | Working for CrossRail since 2007 Patrick will describe to us the concept of this major east-west crossing of London including ten new stations in the centre and many more existing stations being upgraded. He will bring us up to date on progress to date and work outstanding on Europe's largest infrastructure project |
| 24-May      | RAILWAYS and ART   | Professor Mark Casson   | Mark will explain some of the techniques used by a number of well known railway artists. These include perspective, reflections and combining road, trams and rail in the same picture.  |
| 07-Jun      | CHASING CHINA STEAM  | Andy Fewster  | Committee member Andy shows us a selection of the pictures he has taken of Chinese standard and industrial narrow gauge lines  |
| 21-Jun      | FURTHER RAMBLINGS OF RAILWAY MEN   | Geoff Burch   | Geoff returns to give us further anecdotes and pictures from the last days of steam on the Southern Region   |
| 12-Jul      | GRIPPING YARNS!<br>-LIFE AS A TTI on the SVR   | Jim Seaton  | Jim, a volunteer on the SVR, will tell us about some of his roles on the railway including travelling ticket inspector. He will give us a brief history and where the railway is going in the future,  |
| 26-Jul      | HEADCODES, HEADLAMPS & HEADBOARDS  | Peter Simmonds  | A return visit by Peter who gave a presentation to us a few years ago on the GWR Broad Gauge conversion, this time he gives us his latest talk   |

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| 09-Aug | AN (incomplete) A-Z of<br>PRE-GROUPING RAILWAY<br>PICTURE POSTCARDS | John Hollands   | a return visit by John with a new selection of century or more old images from his collection, this time arranged alphabetically by company, country or subject                  |
| 23-Aug | SOUTH AFRICA  | Norman Hogg     | A selection of videos taken over the past 20 years   |
| 13-Sep | 150 YEARS OF THE<br>LONDON UNDERGROUND                              | Barry LeJeune   | Barry, Chairman of the LT Museum Friends gives us a talk on 150 years of the London Underground system   |
| 27-Sep | ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHIC<br>COMPETITION                                  | David Brace     | Let's have a good entry of your photographs this year<br>see Newsletter for entry details  |
| 11-Oct | BRANCH LINES, BEECHING<br>& BLACK SMOKE                             | Gerald Daniels  | A selection of pictures by Gerald covering steam pre diesel/electric on BR, Beeching closures and steam from South Africa  |
| 25-Oct | "THE WITHERED ARM<br>- A PERSONAL JOURNEY"                          | Howard Sprenger | A journey over as many of the ex-SR lines west of Exeter as we can in 2 hours<br>Most of the photos are Howard's own and have never been published                               |
| 08-Nov | RAILWAY HISTORY<br>OF SOUTHAMPTON                                   | Gordon Adams    | Gordon from the Reading Transport Group gives a presentation on the development of railways in Southampton associated with the development of the Docks under railway ownership. |
| 22-Nov | GOSLING GALAVANTS<br>AGAIN!   | Paul Gosling    | Long term member Paul brings us up to date with his travels in the UK over the past few years.   |
| 06-Dec | A VIEW FROM THE WINDOW-<br>THE RAILWAYS OF SWEDEN                   | Alan Norris     | Alan's talk will include the history of Swedish railways, a look at the current scene and some recent developments of an expanding network                                       |
| 20-Dec | CHRISTMAS FILM & BUFFET   |                 | T.B.A in October   |