

BDRS - PROGRAMME 2023

27/02/2023

<u>Date</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Details</u>
11-Jan	THE SOUTH OF IRELAND TO THE END OF STEAM 1957-1963	Leslie McAllister	Leslie presents a selection of colour images taken by his friend, the late Lance King, Lance was a skilled photographer and left a fine record of steam in the Dublin area and on the fondly remembered branches such as Kenmare, Loughrea, Ballaghaderreen, Edenderry, Tullow, Clara, Banagher and Youghal. Steam & diesels in service on the Cork, Bandon & South coast railway feature, as does the memorable railtour with last 'Bandon' tank. Early days of silver and "black and tan" liveried diesels conclude the period."
25-Jan	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING <i>followed by</i> CHANGE & VARIETY 1960s to 1990s	Wally Stamper	The first hour will be our usual AGM to bring you up to date and your chance to air your views. A medley of scanned slides of the period showing a variety of content and location with many scenes that have now changed. Some you may have seen before; hopefully, they will still entertain. Others will be new to provide interest, trigger memories and invite comment.
01-Feb	ANNUAL DINNER		to be held at Basingstoke Technical College - details in Newsletter
08-Feb	COLORAIL	Paul Chancellor	another selection of colorail photos from their latest catalogue
22-Feb	EXPLORING MY LOCAL RAILWAYS	Alan Norris	A look at railways around Ash and Warnborough - This talk looks at the early development of the railways in the area and the historic artefacts which can still be seen
08-Mar	The 60s and 70s	Terry Foulger	Terry's travel over these years showing mainly trains but will include a few ships too!, Standing in at short notice for the Amtrak show which is now scheduled for August
22-Mar	SPA VALLEY RAILWAY	Brian Halford	The history of the Tunbridge Wells to Eridge line from closure in 1985 then working through the years to recent times showing the work involved in restoring the railway. Details of the 2023 programme will be given including the timetable.
12-Apr	THE LYNTON & BARNSTAPLE RAILWAY	Mike Pearce	In the first half Mike will tell us something of the history of the original line. The second half will focus on the 'new' L&BR which now has one mile of operational track, new-build replica of the Baldwin locomotive LYN, five rebuilt heritage coaches, and much much more.
26-Apr	BDRS ON THE ISLE OF MAN	David Brace	David gives a presentation on the 2022 society's trip
10-May	GOSLING GALAVANTS AGAIN	Paul Gosling	Society member, Paul gives us a show on his travels in 2022
24-May	THE DEVON BELLE Part 1 <i>London-Sidmouth Junction</i>	Ken Mumford	Ken gives a presentation about this famous train, Part 2 (Sidmouth Junc-Exeter and Part 3 (Exeter-Ilfracombe/Plymouth) to be shown at the club in the not too distant future
14-Jun	EUROPEAN TRAVELS IN THE EARLY 70's	John Barrowdale	This talk covers visits to western Europe to photograph remaining steam services, visiting West Germany, France, Austria and northern Italy mostly on trips organised by the LCGB. Further organised trips include railways in Portugal. Full details will be in the newsletter.

28-Jun	WELSH HIGHLAND RAILWAY 'The Rebirth of a Railway'	Charles Clark	Charles tells how, as a teenager he stood with his father in the Aberglaslyn pass in North Wales and watched hikers walking up the disused trackbed that had once carried the Welsh Highland Railway. His father recalled how himself as a teenager, had stood on the same spot in the 1920s and watched trains working up the line. Little did either of them guess that today you can stand on the same spot and once again watch steam trains on the line. His talk today tells us how this came to be.
12-Jul			
26-Jul	SWISS ALPINE JOURNEYS	David Mead	A very colourful show through Alpine Routes of Southern Switzerland
09-Aug	BRITAIN'S RAILWAYS DURING WORLD WAR 2	Richard Marks	Industrial and Railway historian Richard explores the impact of World War 2 upon Britain's railways. The important role that railway companies had in achieving victory. Discover the war work that was undertaken in the works across the country and the impact of Luftwaffe operations over Britain's railway during the war. The talk will also look at how the legacy left by the Victorian railway builders benefitted Britain in WW2
23-Aug	COAST TO COAST by AMTRAK	David Peel	David's travels across the US including narrow gauge preserved steam lines Cumbres & Toltec and Durango & Silverton, both lengthy lines! A slide presentation.
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20-Dec	CHRISTMAS FILM		