

Friends of Sowerby Bridge Railway Station Information Boards



The Friends of Sowerby Bridge Railway Station have researched and produced information boards on people and events that have connections with Sowerby Bridge. There are now 36 boards in total; 14 on the Leeds Platform, 20 on the Manchester Platform and 2 in the Bronte Garden. Hopefully station users will find them of interest whilst they wait for their trains.



11th June as part of a national event called 'Station to Station' we celebrated the 90th birthday of the Queen. The Station was decorated with Red, White and Blue flags which were supplied by Northern Rail and kindly put up by Carillion, their maintenance contractors.

Breakaway Brass provided music during the afternoon, with tunes on a Royal theme, in particular 'Happy Birthday' and the 'National Anthem'.

As we move from late Spring into early Summer, the floral displays are now starting to put on their Summer show and we as a group move forward towards a busy period of watering and preparing for the 'Yorkshire in Bloom' judging on Tuesday 28th June, in particular.

I would like to thank all members of the group who have been involved in getting the displays ready for the judging day and in particular to Michael Grogan for his dedication to the plant change over. As a group we look forward to the 'Yorkshire in Bloom' presentation in September.

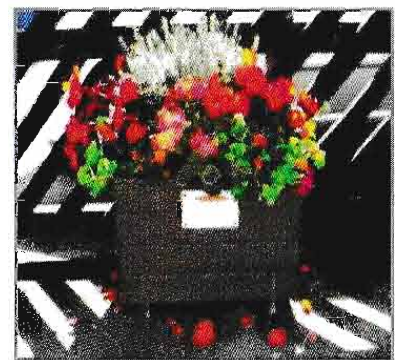
Chris Wright, Convenor for Friends of Sowerby Bridge Railway Station.

Sponsorship Update

So far, our 2016 planter sponsorship campaign has seen 8 companies/individuals show their continuing support for the Friends of Sowerby Bridge Railway Station by sponsoring planters at the Station and we also welcome a new sponsor – see the Acknowledgments section for more details. Prices of sponsoring a planter range from £50 - £150 per annum. If you or your company are interested in sponsoring a planter at the multi-award winning Sowerby Bridge Railway Station, email John Hartley at jhagardener@googlemail.com

Sponsorship cost for 12 months:

Large half barrel	£150
Rectangular planter	£100
Semi-circular fence planter	£50



How to sponsor a planter

Simply email John Hartley of the Friends' Group at jhagardener@googlemail.com

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COACH TRIP – SUNDAY 4th September 2016

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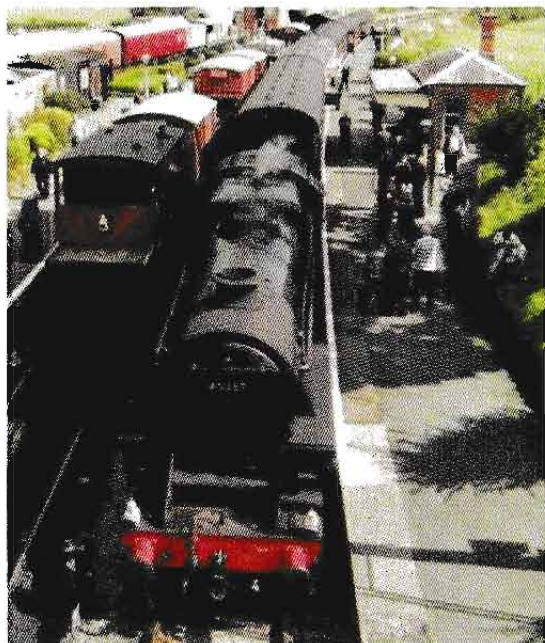
Llangollen Railway Steam Gala.

The Only standard guage heritage railway in North Wales.

Coach will depart from Sowerby Bridge Railway Station at 8.30am.

Ticket prices:- Adult £15.00, Child £6.00. 10% discount for Members/Sponsors.

Bookings taken at the Jubilee Refreshment Rooms or from jim.milner@tiscali.co.uk



ACoRP Community Rail Awards

It may be remembered that the Group won second prize, in the 'Best Station Garden and Floral Displays' category in the prestigious ACoRP (Association of Community Rail Partnerships) Community Awards competition in 2015. Two entries have been submitted for the 2016 competition. One of these, in the 'Passengers Matter' category, is entitled 'The Friends of Sowerby Railway Station 's Information Boards' and is based on the 36 information boards which have been researched , written, designed and produced by the Group and are located on the station platforms and in the Bronte Garden. The other, in the 'Best Community Engagement Event' category, is based on the 175th anniversary of the railway arriving in Sowerby Bridge. We are hopeful that at least one of these entries will win a major award at the Gala Awards and Presentation evening at Southport on the 29th September 2016.

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Calendar of Upcoming Events

Date	Event
Wed 20 July	Work Together Session. 6.30pm onwards. Meet at JRR*
Tues 10 Aug	Open 'Committee' Meeting 7.30-8.30pm Meet at JRR*
Wed 17 Aug	Work Together Session. 6.30pm onwards. Meet at JRR*
Sun 4 Sept	Coach Trip to Llangollen Railway. 8.30am Meet at JRR*
Tues 13 Sept	Open 'Committee' Meeting. 7.30-8.30pm Meet at JRR*
Wed 21 Sept	Work Together Session. 6.30pm onwards. Meet at JRR*
Tues 11 Oct	Open 'Committee' Meeting. 7.30-8.30pm. Meet at JRR*
Sat 15 Oct	Work Together Session. 9.30am onwards. Meet at JRR*
Tues 8 Nov	Annual General Meeting. 7.30pm . Meet at JRR*

*Venue: JRR = Jubilee Refreshment Rooms at Sowerby Bridge Railway Station

Work Together Days vary and may involve weeding, tidying up the station, planting or watering the flower boxes etc. If you enjoy a bit of cultivating and have a few hours to spare, please join us. Just ask for Chris at the Jubilee Rooms on the station.

Open 'Committee' Meetings are held monthly and the group discusses general updates on its activities and progress. Why not come and see what we're all about. You'll receive a warm welcome. Just ask for Chris.

Acknowledgements ...

THANKS .. Peter Wood for donation of Railway literature from his brother's (Roland's) estate.

THANKS ALSO TO..previous years' renewing sponsors for continuing to sponsor planters at Sowerby Bridge Railway Station:- David Harriott, Kate Clarke(Portrait Artist and Illustrator), Martin Moore & Co(Elland), Rosehill Polymers Ltd, Shire Cruisers, Smith Solicitors LLP(Halifax), Window Cleaning Services(Halifax) and Ye Olde Oak Foods and to Aflex Hose Ltd for becoming a new Sponsor and supporter of the Friends of Sowerby Bridge Railway Station.

THANKS TO Carrilion for putting Bunting up for the Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations.

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