

ON THE RAILS

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Hampton & Kempton Waterworks Railway (HKWR)
Open every Sunday from March to November 10.30 to 4pm

Welcome to our e-newsletter issue 3 giving information about Hampton & Kempton Waterworks Railway (HKWR) and our other onsite attraction, Kempton Steam Museum.

We have exciting events coming up so make sure you check our websites for details.

www.hamptonkemptonrailway.org.uk

www.kemptonsteam.org

David Allan,
made Honorary
President of
HKWR



A roaring
success for
Kempton
Steam!



Recent highlights

The railway and Kempton Steam Museum held their combined event on July 15/16th with the theme of Water Works! which highlighted the part that the railway and Kempton Steam, played in the cleaning up of London's polluted drinking water in the early 20th century. One of our most popular activities was Water Games, as well as seeing the world's largest early 1900s 1,000-ton pumping engine 'in steam'.





Water Works Fun Day

Our Superheroes day was a spectacular day and everyone joined in with our visitors of all ages transforming into their Superhero for the day and riding the train for free. Families took full advantage of our great picnic area with countryside picnic tables and static train.



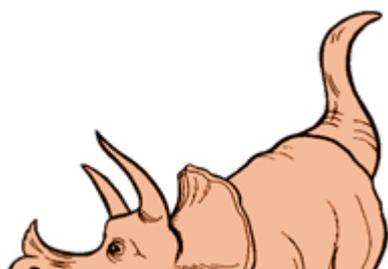
Superheroes day

Coming Up

Dinosaur Day September 8

Enjoy a roaring day out riding our T-Rex train. Spot the dinosaurs on your rail journey. Competitions, face painting and kids' crafts plus - ride the train for free wearing your favourite dinosaur outfit.

We are running regular trains 10.30 to 4pm so no need to book. Usual ticket price applies: £3 for adults, £1 children 5-16, under 5s go free.



Ghost Night November 1st & 2nd

This is such a popular event for the railway that booking is essential. Online booking is open from mid-September, so make sure you book your seats via our website for a ghostly and spooky night out.





Santa Specials December 7/8 & December 14/15

Santa is paying us special visits this year on two weekends and online booking is open from November. This is a great family Christmas treat and our trains are always full so make sure you book early via our website for a magical train ride



November 16/17

Our last Sunday train rides until next year (excluding Santa Specials) so why not make a weekend of it.

* Kempton Steam Museum, right next door to the railway, has their special 'Christmas at Kempton' event. Enjoy a bit of festive fun, tuck into some mince pies and who knows? You might even win a lovely hamper full of Waitrose goodies in the daily raffle. See the world's largest operating steam pumping engine in action – the last time until next year. *Separate entry fee. Check our Kempton Steam website for further details.



Party Time!





Why not arrange that great birthday party for the kids at Hampton & Kempton Waterworks Railway? Held in Kempton Steam Museum or outside in the picnic area, it's a fantastic venue for a kid's party with three free rides on our beautiful heritage locomotive and carriages and our volunteers that will help make the day very special. Bring your own food and games.

To book

<http://www.hamptonkemptonrailway.org.uk/birthday%20parties/>

or phone John on 07951 026530

More News here

Railway Mascot 'Russell'.

Regular visitors will remember our friendly railway cat 'Russell' who sadly passed away a few months ago. One of dear Russell's favourite pastimes was hanging around with the railwaymen whilst having lunch on a summer working day. Several of our volunteers used to feed him, probably sometimes to excess. He certainly knew who to approach whilst giving his distinctive meow. HKWR adopted him officially as our mascot and was with us for over 8 years, so he will be missed



HKWR launch a new archiving programme

We have a fascinating history and to help look after our records and photos dating back to the early 1900s, one of our volunteers, Ian Jones-Healey is going to be our Archivist. "We need to collect everything we can find, so if you are able to help it would be most appreciated!" says Ian. "We're looking for photos, plans, maps, memorabilia or personal reminiscences by those with a connection to the railway". Please contact Ian via email: iangjh@hotmail.co.uk read more.....

<http://www.hamptonkemptonrailway.org.uk/archive-for-hampton-kempton-waterworks-railway/>





Get Involved



Can you help? Want to be a volunteer or become a member of our railway society? Come and join us. We're about to embark on a £1.8 million campaign to restore the railway and there are many opportunities available, from being a Fireman to helping with the admin or fundraise. Send an email to mwbrsoffice@gmail.com for further information, or pop round and see us on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the railway. You will receive a friendly hello from our volunteers.

<http://www.hamptonkemptonrailway.org.uk/about-us-2/membership/>



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