SHROPSHIRE RAILWAY SOCIETY CHRISTMAS OUTING 2023 - "ESCAPE THE TURKEY" "TWO MINCE PIES FOR THE PRICE OF ONE!"

This year, join us on a day out in Shropshire and Montgomeryshire on Saturday 30 December, where we intend to travel on two local heritage lines which are operating "mince pie" trains.

We will assemble at Oswestry station at about 10.00 am, where we will be able to visit the Cambrian Heritage Railways museum before boarding the 11.00 am train to Weston Wharf, operated by one of the railway's "Pacer" trains. We will have an opportunity to appreciate the station facilities there, and perhaps have a coffee in the railway's buffet car, before we return to Oswestry by around mid-day.

We will then drive to Llanfair Caereinion station, to arrive at around 13.00, where there will be ample time to have a lunch snack in the Welshpool and Llanfair Railway's tearoom, or patronise the railway's mobile catering van, before we board the 14.30 steam hauled train to Castle Caereinion, returning to Llanfair by about 15.30, before departing for home.

Both trains we will be travelling on are "mince pie" specials, and the ticket price includes a pie in both cases, and on the Welshpool and Llanfair the fare also includes a festive drink. The fare for the Cambrian Heritage Railways trip is £8, and for the train on the Welshpool and Llanfair Railway £16 (W&L members travel free!).

Given the respective locations of the venues to be visited, this is an outing which is offered on the basis that members will travel by way of shared private cars, with each participant making a contribution to the driver's fuel costs; accordingly

it will be necessary for those who express interest to state whether they are able to offer seats in their car for other participants. In addition, those booking for the outing should please indicate their postcodes, to assist with the arrangements for car travel "on the day"

If you are interested in joining the Society on an interesting Christmas excursion, please advise Lionel Price at outings@saloprailsoc.org.uk or call 01691 654488 or 07786 165101 (message may be left), and give the information requested in the sections highlighted above.

It will be necessary for indications of interest to be made by late November, in order to allow time for tickets on the trains in question to be pre-booked, and monies for the tickets can be paid at either of the November Society meetings, or by post, and if you wish to do that, please indicate accordingly when indicating your interest.

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