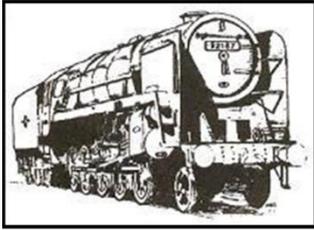
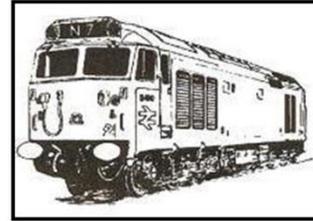


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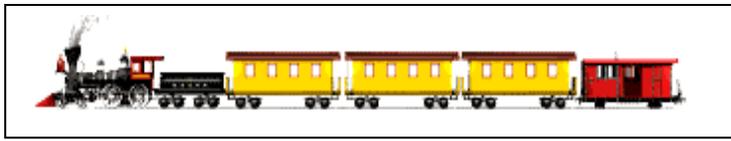
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NS "Doghead" EMU, Utrecht 1992

Tonight, life member **Howard Quayle**, visits us to give a presentation on several decades of his travels in continental Europe by diesel and electric.

Last month, Keith Gower took us on a tour of Britain. The first evening meeting of our new season will be on **Monday 12 September**.



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ELIZABETH LINE – FIRST IMPRESSIONS

Transport for London is careful to say that the Elizabeth Line is not an Underground line (at least, not as we have previously known them) and from my first rides on the newly-opened Paddington–Abbey Wood core I can say this is certainly true: 9-car trains which, because of a largely-uncluttered interior, feel massive inside, generously-proportioned passenger walkways and dramatic concourses and escalator shafts at many of the stations make for a



Abbey Wood: end of the line

different passenger experience. It is interesting too to see that within a couple of weeks of opening, passengers are undertaking journeys that were simply impossible as direct trips previously. We look forward to early next year when it will be possible to travel through from Reading to the far east.

SELECTED COMING EVENTS

Saturday 18 June: 08:40 pu Didcot: Railway Touring Co: *Cotswold Venturer*, Paddington–Worcester, out via Oxford: 45596

Wednesday 22 June, Saturday 2 July, Wednesday 10 August: Belmond British Pullman, Victoria–Oxford Parkway: class 67 probable

Saturday 9 July: Saphos Trains: *English Riviera Express*, High Wycombe–Oxford–Kingswear: steam west of Taunton

Saturday 16 July: 19:00: ORS outing to Chinnor & Princes Risborough Railway *Watlington Fryer*

Wednesday 27 July: 19:45: Basingstoke & District Railway Society, Wote Street Club: *Delivering the Elizabeth Line* (Richard Storer)

Saturday 30 July: Railway Touring Co: *Stratford-upon-Avon Pullman*, Victoria–Leamington, return via Oxford: 35028

Buffer Stop now takes a break until September. Have a good summer and don't forget our photo competition when you're out and about: the categories are Steam, Diesel/Electric, Railway Related and this year's special topic, Steam on Shed.

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