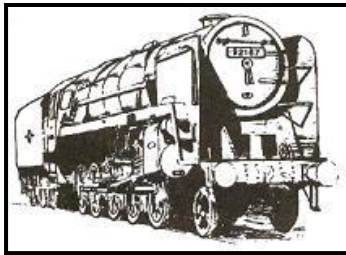
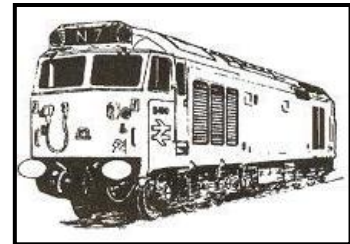


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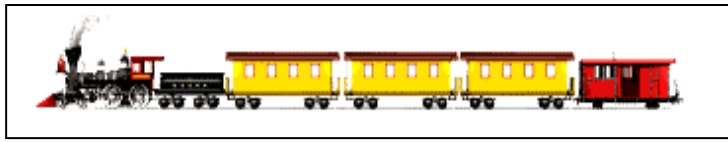


Tonight we welcome back **Michael Bunn** of the SNCF Society to give a presentation on the Chemin de Fer de la Baie de Somme, a mixed-gauge line on the Picardy coast. **Peter Heath's** Summer 2013 photographs show (above, in red) the line's 2-6-0T Aisne (1906) at St Valery yacht harbour and (left, in green) 0-6-2T Betton-Bazoches (1909) at Gare de Noyelle.



**Last month** Chris Youett took us in slides from the midlands to the Midland & Great Northern Joint Railway, 60 years since closure.

**Next month** on **May 8** Steve Beamon returns to give the second part of his talk on Policing of Railways.



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### DIDCOT TO OXFORD 175th ANNIVERSARY

Lots is happening on Saturday 15 June to mark the opening of the GWR to Oxford in 1844. In Oxford, there will be events centred on Grandpont Recreation Ground (near the site of the original terminus) from noon, and there will be special displays at Didcot Railway Centre (where the ORS expects to be present) and at the intermediate stations. See <http://didcotoxfordgwr175.org> for full details.

### SUMMER OUTING

On Tuesday 16 July we are arranging a trip in shared cars to the Gloucester Warwickshire Railway at Toddington, where we hope to be able to see some extra attractions – sign up tonight.

### LADY IN GREEN



2999 *Lady of Legend* duly made her public debut in steam last weekend at Didcot. Time devoted to trying to make her steamtight prevented her being adorned in Edwardian finery, so the editor's photograph instead shows her adorned by Edwardians in theirs.

### OTHER COMING EVENTS

**Monday 15 April:** 19:30: RCTS Thames Valley, Didcot Civic Hall: Matthew Hills – *Pullman Trains*

**Friday–Monday 19–22 April:** GWS Didcot Railway Centre: *Saint and King* weekend

**Wednesday 24 April:** 19:45: Basingstoke & District Railway Society, Wote Street Club: Andrew Goodman – *I Moved it My Way* (Moveright)

**Friday 26 April:** 19:30: GWS Oxford, 58 Banbury Rd: David Bradshaw – *The LMS Patriot Project*

**Saturday 27 April:** Railway Touring Co: *Great Britain XII*, Paddington–Plymouth via GWML: 46233

**Saturday–Sunday 22–23 June:** TfL/London Transport Museum: *District 150* steam specials Ealing Broadway–High Street Kensington

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