

# **DETAILS OF 3<sup>rd</sup> AGM OF THE NARROW GAUGE RAILWAY SOCIETY**

**since formation as a Company Limited by Guarantee and the 68<sup>th</sup> since the formation of the Society**

**To be held on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 15:00 at Ruswarp Village Hall, 11 High Street, Ruswarp, Whitby, YO21 1NH**

We are pleased to announce that the 2019 Annual General Meeting will be held 10 minutes' walk from the Ruswarp Miniature Steam Railway, Chainbridge Riverside Retreats, The Carrs, Ruswarp, Whitby, North Yorkshire, YO21 1RL on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 15:00.

## **The Entertainment ...**

For the AGM this year we have followed the format of former years and have arranged a full programme around the weekend (Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019) with a variety of visits including three miniature railways. All of the visits will be at no cost to 2018/19 and 2019/20 members although you will need to arrange your own transport and accommodation and pay for your food and drink.

**North Bay Railway:** 09:30 – 12:30 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The North Bay Railway is a unique miniature railway which was built in 1931, to the gauge of 20", and runs for approximately 7/8 mile between Peasholm Park and Scalby Mills in the North Bay area of the town and notable for its construction of new steam locomotives. Catering is available on site North Bay Railway, Scarborough, North Yorkshire, YO12 6PF [www.nbr.org.uk](http://www.nbr.org.uk)

**Ruswarp Miniature Steam Railway:** 13:00 – 15:00 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The Ruswarp Miniature Steam Railway is a 7¼" gauge line built in the grounds of Chainbridge Riverside retreats on the banks of the River Esk. Catering is available on site. Ruswarp Miniature Steam Railway, Chainbridge Riverside Retreats, The Carrs, Ruswarp, Whitby, North Yorkshire, YO21 1RL [www.chainbridgeriverside.com](http://www.chainbridgeriverside.com)

**NGRS Annual General Meeting:** Ruswarp Village Hall 15:00 – 16:30 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The Village Hall is a 10-minute walk from the Ruswarp Miniature Steam Railway. Ruswarp Village Hall, 11 High Street, Ruswarp, Whitby, YO21 1NH [www.yorkshirevenues.org.uk/venues/ruswarp-village-hall](http://www.yorkshirevenues.org.uk/venues/ruswarp-village-hall)

**Saltburn Miniature Railway:** 17:00 – 19:00 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The Saltburn Miniature Railway is one of the country's most famous 15" gauge railways running for 5/8ths of a mile between Cat Nab and Forrest Halt (where the Victorian Tea Rooms may be open) alongside the Skelton Beck. Saltburn Miniature Railway, Saltburn Bank, Saltburn-by-the-Sea, TS12 1HA [www.saltburn-miniature-railway.org.uk](http://www.saltburn-miniature-railway.org.uk)

**Evening meal at The Ship Inn, Saltburn:** 19:00 – 21:00 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019. This is a historic Inn located on the sea front close to the Cat Nab Car Park. The Ship Inn, Saltburn Road, Saltburn-by-the-Sea, Redcar And Cleveland, TS12 1HF. See [www.ngrs.org](http://www.ngrs.org) for menu options.

**Poppleton Community Railway Nursery:** 09:30 – 11:30 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The Nursery was established at Poppleton circa 1941 to provide plants and flowers to the national railway system; the 2-foot gauge railway was established soon afterwards. The Nursery and Railway are now operated by a Registered Charity. Refreshments available on site. Further details are available on the NGRS Website. Poppleton Community Railway Nursery, Station Road, Poppleton, York, YO26 6QA <http://www.poppletonrailwaynursery.co.uk>

**Lunch at The Golden Lion, Ripon:** 12:00 – 13:00 approx. 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019. A traditional Greene King Inn located close to Ripon Centre and a short walk from a Municipal Car Park. See [www.ngrs.org](http://www.ngrs.org) for menu options. The Golden Lion, 69 - 70 Allhallowgate, Ripon, HG4 1LE <http://thegoldenlionripon.co.uk>

**Ripon Light Railway:** 13:00 – 15:30 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019. A private working industrial 2-foot gauge railway comprising mostly portable railway equipment and a museum built on a site adjacent to the Ripon Canal. Refreshments available on site. Ripon Light Railway, Dallamires Lane, Ripon, HG4 1DE. More information on the website <http://www.riponlightrailway.co.uk>

**Newby Hall Miniature Railway:** 15:30 – 17:00 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019. 10¼" gauge railway established in 1971 by Cromar White, operating steam and IC locomotives and running parallel to the River Ure within the grounds of Newby Hall. Newby Hall Miniature Railway, Newby Hall & Gardens, Estate Office, Newby Hall, Ripon, North Yorkshire, HG4 5AE [www.newbyhall.com/the-railway](http://www.newbyhall.com/the-railway)

**Other local attractions** This part of the Yorkshire Coast has other attractions too numerous to list including Scarborough, the standard gauge North Yorkshire Moors Railway, Whitby, Saltburn and York.

### Trade Stalls

Members should be aware that trade stands will only be permitted by arrangement with the Host Railways. Any members wishing to bring a trade stall to the AGM please contact the Secretary in advance so that we may discuss it with our hosts. At previous AGMs, members have been able to turn up with a trade stall without previous agreement with the Secretary or the host railway – on this occasion such an informal approach will not be acceptable, and members who have not arranged in advance for a trade stall will **NOT** be permitted to trade.

### Safety, behaviours and admission

Please see Visits Policy, previously published in Narrow Gauge News, available on the Society website or by request from the Secretary.

### Other Information

The Directors/ Committee will hold their May meeting at the North Bay Railway at 10:00.

This visit is subject to the Visits Policy as above, for insurance reasons non-members will **not** be permitted to attend without the written formal Invitation of the Secretary. A copy of this notice is available on the Society Website.

If any members require additional details or have specific queries, please contact the Secretary for further information.

We look forward to seeing you there!

*Steve Barber*

## **Narrow Gauge Railway Society Formal notice of Annual General Meeting**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Third Annual General Meeting of the company (and the 68<sup>th</sup> annual general meeting since formation of the Society) will be held at Ruswarp Village Hall, 11 High Street, Ruswarp, Whitby, YO21 1NH at 3.00 p.m. on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019 for the following purposes:

1. To receive the financial statements for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018, the accountant's report thereon and the directors' report.
2. As separate resolutions, to vote on the appointment of the directors of the company, as listed on the voting form on the last page of this document.

In an informal meeting before the above formal business of the AGM, members can review and ask questions on the accounts and the reports submitted by the company's directors, officers and the local area groups. After the formal business of the meeting, members may raise other matters for the consideration of the directors and/or for general discussion at the meeting. No binding company decisions may be taken during consideration of such informal business.

You may vote at the Annual General Meeting **either** by attending and voting in person **or** by email or post using the voting form, **or** by appointing someone to vote on your behalf at the meeting (called a "proxy"). To be entitled to vote at the AGM, you must be a member of the company as at the date of the meeting, either by paying your subscription in accordance with the company Articles or by being a Life member of the company.

**The voting form for an email or postal vote, or for you to appoint a proxy to vote on your behalf, is on the back page of this document and is also available on the Society Website.** If you wish to use an email or postal vote or to appoint a proxy, please complete the voting form and register how you want to vote by putting a cross in the appropriate boxes. If you register an email or postal vote using the voting form, your vote will be counted before the AGM. You may also attend the meeting if you wish but you should not vote again at the meeting.

To submit an email or postal vote, please send the voting form to the Company Secretary, either by email to **secretary@ngrs.org**, or by post to the **NGRS Company Secretary, 246 Hillbury Road, Warlingham, Surrey CR6 9TP**. To be valid, the form must be completed in full, unambiguous, clearly legible and received at least 48 hours before the meeting (by 3.00 pm on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2019).

A proxy who attends the meeting on your behalf must vote as you instruct on the form. If you do not give instructions, the proxy may vote as they wish. A proxy need not be a member of the company. Your proxy should inform the Chairman of the meeting he/she is voting on your behalf. The Chairman may refuse any proxy whose voting form is not, in his opinion, properly completed.

*Steve Barber, Secretary, 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019*

# **Registration for supplementary visits NGRS 2019 AGM North Yorkshire**

*Please complete this registration form (copy also available on the Website) and return by email to [secretary@ngrs.org](mailto:secretary@ngrs.org) or post to NGRS Company Secretary, 246 Hillbury Road, Warlingham CR6 9TP by 9<sup>th</sup> May 2019. Our host railways would like details of our numbers, to help them in providing sufficient staff and facilities to accommodate our visits. All AGM visits are at no cost to members, other than travel to the venues, food, drink and accommodation.*

*I wish to attend the following:*

## **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

North Bay Railway	09:30 – 12:30	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Ruswarp Miniature Steam Railway	13:00 – 15:00	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Saltburn Miniature Railway	17:00 – 19:00	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Evening meal at The Ship Inn	19:00 – 21:00	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Food to be ordered on the night			

## **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

Poppleton Community Railway Nursery	09:30 – 11:30	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Lunch at The Golden Lion, Ripon	12:00 – 13:00	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Food to be ordered on the day			
Ripon Light Railway	13:00 – 15:30	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Newby Hall Miniature Railway	15:30 – 17:00	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

## **Members of your party**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Email address (preferred). Please set out postal address for non-members or if you have no email (please see the visits policy in respect of non-members)</b>
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# Voting Form – NGRS Annual General Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Complete this form to register an email or postal vote or appoint a proxy to vote on your behalf at the Annual General Meeting.

**(DELETE 1 OR 2 AS APPROPRIATE AND COMPLETE THE RESOLUTION SECTION)**

**Do not submit if you wish to vote in person at the meeting**

Please indicate, by **inserting a cross** in the appropriate box, how you wish your votes to be cast on the Resolutions listed. Then detach this page and:

- For an email vote, send an electronic copy of the form to [secretary@ngrs.org](mailto:secretary@ngrs.org).
- For a postal vote, send it to **NGRS Company Secretary, 246 Hillbury Road, Warlingham, Surrey CR6 9TP.**  
*Deadline for receipt of email and postal votes is 3.00 p.m. on 9th May 2019.*
- For a proxy vote, give the form, completed in accordance with your wishes, to your proxy.

**1** I am a Member of the company and wish to vote by email/post. I appoint the Chairman of the meeting to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019 (and at any adjournment thereof) to be my proxy and to cast my votes as shown below.

**OR**

**2** I am a Member of the company and I wish to appoint ..... be my proxy and to vote as shown below at the meeting to be held on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019 (and at any adjournment thereof). Unless instructed otherwise, my proxy will vote or abstain at his/her discretion.

Resolution	For	Against
1. To accept the financial statements for the year ended 31 <sup>st</sup> December 2018 and the accountant's report thereon and the directors' report		
2. As separate resolutions, to elect the following Members to act as directors of the company		
Alan Burgess (Chairman & Editor of <i>The Narrow Gauge</i> )		
Steve Barber (Company Secretary)		
Paul Bennett (Editor of Narrow Gauge News)		
Jim Hay (Librarian)		
Mick Morgan (Webmaster)		
Chris Roberts (Facebook Administrator)		
Phil Thompson (Treasurer, Sales/Publications Officer, Membership database)		
Robert Watson (eBay Shop Administrator)		

Full name..... Signed .....

Address..... Date .....

**PLEASE DETACH THIS PAGE IF YOU WISH TO REGISTER A POSTAL/EMAIL VOTE OR APPOINT A PROXY AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS SET OUT ON THE TOP PART OF THIS PAGE AND THE NOTICE OF AGM**