

SOUTH EAST ESSEX RAILWAY SOCIETY

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e-Programme January/ February/ March 2021

Dear SEERS Members

A Happy and Healthy virus free New Year to everyone!

All meetings commence at 8pm (unless otherwise stated) with entry to the meeting available from 7.45 pm.

The Society's programme for January, February and March 2021 is as follows:

7th January 2021: SEERS visit to Fawley Hill – a ZOOM presentation by Vice Chairman Peter Sedge

21st January 2021: B17 Steam Locomotive Trust update -a ZOOM presentation by John Pearson, Brian Hall and Larry Sampson of B17SLT on progress with the *Spirit of Sandringham* project

4th February 2021: “Steam in the Rain” Summer 2020 visits to the Severn Valley and Bluebell Railways – A ZOOM presentation by member Richard Delahoy

18th February 2021: “Bahamas” A ZOOM presentation by John Hillier of the Bahamas Locomotive Society about the history of this preserved Jubilee class locomotive. See below for more information regarding our speaker and a special offer!

4th March 2021: “The Echills Wood Railway” a ZOOM presentation by member Paul Hicks

18th March 2021: tba

If you wish to participate in the ZOOM meetings, please ensure you have downloaded the ZOOM program to your PC/laptop/tablet/smartphone. Graham Adamson is in charge of the Society's ZOOM account and will try to answer any queries you have about it; he will email to the Newsgroup details of the meeting reference and passcode before those meetings begin at 8pm. If you would like to give a ZOOM presentation to the Society, please let me know by email.

Society Calendars for 2021: A couple of *Railway Art* calendars are still available at the time of writing from Peter Ashton (01702 618775) at £12.50 POST FREE.

Annual Subscriptions: Members are reminded that the Committee has decided that subscriptions paid for 2020 will be extended until 31st December **2021**; therefore, no further subscriptions will be due this year, providing that members paid last year.

Society Regalia – all items bearing the Society's logo

Polo Shirts and Sweatshirts. Available from Vice Chairman Peter Sedge

Railways, Model Railways, Model Engineering

Affiliated to The Transport Trust and to The Southern Federation of Model Engineering Societies

Enamelled Lapel Badges: available from Peter Ashton: £4 each

Ties: Green or Maroon £7.50 each available from Don Shefford.

John Hillier our speaker on 18th February is a member of the Rail Camera Club a postal portfolio started in 1976 after the demise of the Railway Photographic Society which was founded by renowned Railway Photographer Maurice Earley in 1922 and which according to the NRM was instrumental in raising the standards of railway photography. To commemorate the RCC's 100th portfolio, John organised an exhibition of members' photographs at the NRM and was the author of a highly-acclaimed book "The Photographic Artistry of Rail Cameramen" featuring images from all 36 members of RCC. A second Volume "Rail Cameraman 2" has now been published by Mortons Media [publishers of *The Railway Magazine* amongst other titles] and the Railway Children Charity benefits from a donation for each book sold. The usual price is £35 but by using the Discount Code RC215 on their website www.mortonsbooks.co.uk entered at the basket stage the price should drop by 10%.

A young rail photographer competition is being organised for those aged under 25 on 31 October 2021; further details are at: www.youngrailphotographeroftheyear.co.uk

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Adrian

Meetings sub-committee