

'Yard of Track Appeal'

Please send the completed form, to be found below, to:

Weardale Railway Trust: 'Yard of Track Appeal',

Stanhope Station, Station Road, STANHOPE, Bishop Auckland, DL13 2YS

Title: Name:

Address:

..... Post code:

Number of 'Yards of Track' at £10:

Cheque enclosed for £

The name you wish to be entered on the 'Roll of Honour':

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Trust Membership is available from the Trust Office at Stanhope Station:

Tel: 01388 526262 or from www.weardale-railway.org.uk

GIFT AID DECLARATION: Details of Donor

Title: Name:

Address:Post code:

I want the charity to treat:

- the enclosed donation of £
- All donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise
- All donations I have made since 6th April 2000, and all donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise as Gift-Aid donations.

Signature: Date.....

Name of Charity: The Weardale Railway Trust

Charity Number: 1088897

Weardale Railway Trust



SAVE OUR RAILWAY!

Sponsor a 'YARD OF TRACK' for only £10
Please help us complete and reopen the railway line from
Bishop Auckland to Eastgate.

By donating you will receive a personal Certificate and your name will be entered upon a 'Roll of Honour', to be placed on permanent display at Stanhope Station.

Your Gift will help secure a long-term future for this Railway.

If you wish to Gift Aid, details are to be found inside this leaflet



Weardale Railway - a branch of the Stockton & Darlington Railway

The Weardale Railway

The Weardale Railway, situated in County Durham, U.K. was a mothballed branch line from Bishop Auckland following the River Wear westwards to Eastgate-in-Weardale, a distance of approximately 18.7 miles (30km).



The line was originally built by the Stockton & Darlington Railway in 1847 to transport limestone to the ironworks of Teesside, and by 1895 had been extended to its final terminus of Wearhead. Although the passenger service was withdrawn in 1953, the line was retained for freight use transporting bulk cement from the Blue Circle works at Eastgate. This use also ceased in 1993, so the line was mothballed and threatened with lifting.

With support from Wear Valley District Council, 1993 saw the formation of The Weardale Railway Preservation Society. This was a group of supporters of the line whose aims were firstly to prevent its removal, and secondly to promote its future. This original support group is now registered charity number 1088897, The Weardale Railway Trust Ltd. This organisation helps to fund the work involved and provide the voluntary assistance, and its members receive a regular magazine to keep them informed of the project's progress.

The first section of line to be reinstated, six miles between the Wolsingham depot and Stanhope, was re-opened on 17th July 2004 for a steam hauled summer service and a heritage diesel hauled winter service including Santa Specials.

The aim is to bring back into use the western section between Stanhope and Eastgate, and to work eastwards to rejoin the national network at Bishop Auckland.



WEARDALE RAILWAY TRUST

We aim to complete and open, as soon as possible, a fully working Railway of nearly 19 miles, all the way from Bishop Auckland though Witton Park, Witton-le-Wear, Harperley, Wolsingham, Frosterley and Stanhope to Eastgate.

We need your help! Please do so by:

joining our Trust, or joining our Trust as a 'working member',
or by sponsoring a 'YARD OF TRACK' for £10.

Notes on GIFT AID

As a Registered Charity, the Trust can receive donations from UK taxpayers and currently attract an additional 28% contribution from the Inland Revenue. This occurs on an annual basis at NO extra cost to yourself. There is no risk attached to this procedure and it is very straight forward.

Please note the following:

1. If your declaration is to cover future donations:
 - *Please notify the Charity of any change in your address.
 - *You can cancel the declaration at any time by notifying the charity in writing- it will then not apply to donations made on or after the date of cancellation, or such later date as you specify.
2. You must pay an amount of income tax and / or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax reclaims on your donation in the tax year. (At present 28 p for each pound paid.)
3. If, in the future your circumstances change and you no longer pay tax on your income or capital gains you can cancel your declaration, as per note 1. above, at any time.
4. If you claim tax at the higher rate you can claim further tax relief in your Self -Assessment tax return.
5. If you are uncertain whether your donations qualify for Gift- Aid tax relief, please check with your local tax office and ask for leaflet IR113 GIFT AID.

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