

THE RAILWAY PRESERVATION SOCIETY OF IRELAND

APRIL 1981 NEWS-SHEET

APRIL 11 TOUR POSTPONED: The proposed Dublin-Bray shuttle with 184 which was due to run on Saturday April 11 has been postponed. The reason is the electrification work which is taking place on the Dublin suburban system, particularly at weekends. However, it is hoped to run the trip in the Autumn using RPSI stock, the details to be confirmed. The Society apologises for the short notice in advising members of the postponement. We trust no inconvenience will have been caused.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday April 20 Whitehead. Model Railway Day, 12.00 to 17.00, many model railway items for sale.

Thursday April 23 London. "A Tour of Irish Railways", an illustrated talk by Charles Friel, Fred Tallant Hall, 153 Drummond Street, London, 19.15.

Saturday April 25 Antrim. Enthusiasts' Day on the Shane's Castle Railway. Both engines in steam, plus the first trip on the SCR by Co. Donegal railcars 12 & 18, in co-operation with the NWIRS. Cafe open. 12.00 to 18.00. £1.60 adults, 80p children & 65+ for a day runabout ticket.

Friday May 1 Whitehead-Bangor. 171's first trip of the year.

Saturday May 2 The Bangor Belle. 171 & three round trips between Bangor and Belfast in conjunction with the Vintage Vehicle Week being run by North Down Borough Council. Visit the Irish Transport Trust bus rally at Bangor.

Thursday May 7 Dublin. "Humour on the GNR and CDR", a talk by Tom McDevitte (Barney McCool). IRPS HQ, Drumcondra, 20.00.

Saturday May 9 Bangor-Dublin. 171 on the first steam-hauled day trip from Bangor to Dublin for years. Return travel on new NIR Enterprise arranged.

Sat/Sun May 16/17 Dublin-Sligo-Dublin-Belfast. The Ben Bulben railtour.

Monday May 18 Belfast Central-Whitehead. 171 heads for home.

Saturday June 27 Mullingar-Galway & back. 184 on the Claddagh railtour.

Saturday July 4 The Steam Gala, Whitehead.

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