

The Marlow & District Railway Society



We meet at 7pm for 7:30 p.m. (unless otherwise indicated) on the third Thursday of the month at:
Bourne End Community Centre, Wakeman Road, Bourne End, SL8 5SX

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS 2026

19 th March	Christopher Jones	The Central Wales Line, Part 1, Shrewsbury to Llandoverly. In the 1840's two new railway companies The LNWR of 1846 and The MR of 1844 were both engaged in a race to get to the riches of South Wales principally the town of Swansea. The LNWR turned out to be the more successful of the two and obtained the freight traffic from the other, post grouping. We will travel "Over the hills and far away" on the track of The LNWR towards Swansea
16 th April	Jeremy Harrison	'Railways before the War - that's the Great War ~ Part 2' A presentation of Black and White images, drawn from the Ken Nunn collection and scanned from glass plates, illustrating railways in Britain before the Great War. Tonight's is the second of three parts, starting with a few images from before the Great Boer War (as it was known at the time), and then featuring Eastern England, Scotland and Ireland. The Ken Nunn collection was acquired by the LCGB after Ken's death, and although it has now been transferred to the NRM, 'showing rights' to the scanned images were retained, and Jeremy Harrison is making this presentation wearing his LCGB hat.
21 st May	Tom Burnham	'The Kent & East Sussex Railway Past, Present & Future' The K&ESR was one of the first railways to be worked under the Light Railways Act of 1896. It closed to passengers in 1954 and to goods in 1961, but a small band of enthusiasts succeeded in reopening it from Tenterden to Bodiam between 1974 and 2000. Work is actively in progress on the "missing link" to the national network at Robertsbridge.

For more information, please contact the society by sending an email to mail@mdrs.org.uk