



Sittingbourne's Steam Railway

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Press Release

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August at Sittingbourne's Steam Railway

It's a Summer of Steam at Sittingbourne's Steam Railway with trains departing Sittingbourne Viaduct station hourly 11am-4pm on Sundays and 1-4pm on Wednesdays throughout August. There will be a Model Railway Day on Sunday 18th and Ivor the Engine returns to the Railway for a weekend of mischief on 25th & 26th.

If you're looking for something to do midweek, Sittingbourne's Steam Railway's Wednesday openings are very popular with parents and grandparents in the summer holidays. Trains will depart hourly 1-4pm.

Combine the weekday openings with the longer Sunday operations (hourly trains 11am-4pm) and there's plenty of time to complete the Railway's Wheels of Time

task and collect the Railway's exclusive badge, please allow two hours for your visit to complete this.

If the weather's good it could be a good time to train one way and walk the other, exploring Milton Creek Country Park at the same time. Maps will be available at the ticket office at Sittingbourne Viaduct station or in the Shop or Footplate Café at Kemsley Down. Trains depart Kemsley Down at 11.35am*, 12.35pm*, 1.35pm, 2.35pm, 3.35pm and 4.45pm. *August Sundays.

Bowaters Models will be headlining the Model Railway Day on 18th August, there will be the opportunity to find out more about this fascinating and all-encompassing hobby. Trains will run hourly 11am-4pm.

Ivor the Engine, the famous Welsh engine from the 1960s and 70s, visits the Railway to cause mischief at Kemsley Down. There will be storytelling and games too.

The return fares for 2019 are:

- Adults - £7
- Concessions - £6
- Child (aged 3-15) - £3.50
- Under 3s go free
- Family (2 adults and up to 4 children) - £20

Other fares are available, such as single tickets (£4 for adults and £3 for children/concessions), to enable passengers to walk one way via Milton Creek Country Park and the Saxon Shore Way. Passengers are advised to arrive 10-15 minutes early to buy the tickets as these are not bookable in advance.

For more information visit www.sklr.net, email info@sklr.net or call 01795 424899.



Figure 1 – ‘Ivor the Engine’ passes ‘Melior’ at Kemsley Down - photo available to [download here](#)

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Information for the media:

1. The SKLR is now the longest continuous operator of the railway and is operated and maintained entirely by volunteers.
2. Postal address: SKLR, PO Box 300, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 2DZ.
3. For further information on Milton Creek Country Park visit <http://miltoncreek.co.uk>
4. For further information on Ivor the Engine visit <http://www.smallfilms.co.uk/ivor/> (although it is a little out of date)
5. For further information on Wheels of Time visit www.wheelsoftime.uk
6. Photographs of the Railway can be found on the Press Officer's Flickr account www.flickr.com/stopem Feel free to use them without a fee but please credit 'www.sklr.net' or 'SKLR'.
7. Press releases can be downloaded from the Railway's website: <http://www.sklr.net/latest-news/press-releases/>
8. The Press Officer is available for interviews and recording sessions at the Railway or studios. Other members may be requested for interview through the Press Officer.

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