## LLANGOLLEN RAILWAY STEAM TRAIN EXPERIENCE AND SCENIC RUN

## **SUNDAY 18 MAY 2025**

This year marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the Llangollen heritage railway. As some of you will know, the Ruabon to Barmouth line was earmarked for closure as part of the 'Beeching Report' and closed to passenger services in January 1965. Fortunately, the 10 mile section between Llangollen and Corwen became the focus of enthusiasts wishing to reopen the line as a heritage railway. On 13 September 1975 the Llangollen Station held its first open day and the Railway has not looked back since. Over the ensuing years, the line has been extended in stages before reaching the new station at Corwen in 2023.



It's ten years since DevaMog has organised a trip on the Llangollen Railway so we are planning to make a much welcomed return on **Sunday 18 May**. Our point of departure will be Corwen Station (LL21 0DN), where you will find ample 'pay and display' car parking, refreshments and toilet facilities. The **steam train** will depart at 11:05, following the course of the River Dee through the idyllic Denbighshire countryside, arriving at Llangollen Station at 11:49. You will then have the choice of catching the return steam train back to Corwen at 12:20, arriving back at 13:01, or enjoy the delights of Llangollen for a couple of hours and catch the 15:15 steam train back to Corwen, arriving at 15:56. The choice of which train you return on is yours. Refreshments can be purchased from the platform kiosk at Llangollen.



If you catch the 12:20 steam train back to Corwen you then have the option of participating in a short scenic run ending up at Ponderosa Café on the 'Horseshoe Pass' near Llangollen (details of the scenic run will be issued nearer the time). Depending on the weather, you can enjoy a picnic whilst taking in the fabulous views. Alternatively, buy a meal from the extensive Ponderosa Café menu. Should you have the time after lunch you could drive the short distance to Llangollen for a stroll around the small town or drive a bit further and visit the famous Pontcysyllte Aqueduct.

Demand for tickets on steam hauled services is usually very high and ticket availability on the day for large groups is not guaranteed. We have therefore provisionally booked 22 tickets at a group rate of £20 per person. This non-refundable fee has to be paid up front and our provisional booking is being held until Friday 14 March when we have to confirm our booking and pay for the tickets.

If you wish to participate in this event, please contact Joe Cleary by email joe.holthome@btinternet.com as soon as possible and no later than Thursday 13 March. Joe will let you know how to pay when you contact him. He will also provide joining instructions nearer the time.

Please click on the link below for further information on the Llangollen Railway.

https://llangollen-railway.co.uk/

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