

The Hereford Society of Model Engineers invite you to visit us at -

The Hereford Miniature Railway

At Broomy Hill



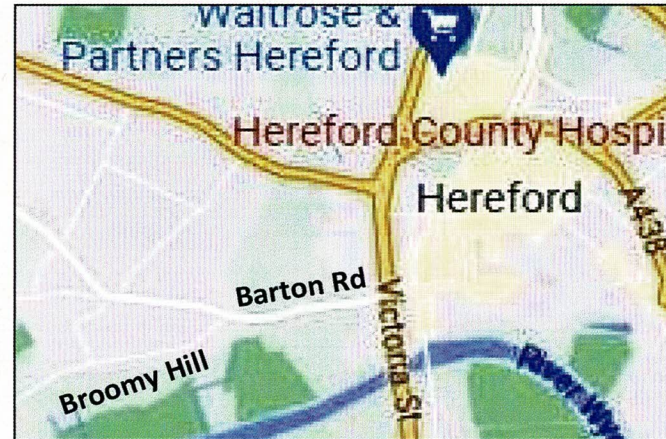
COME AND JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN AND ENJOYMENT FOR ALL THE FAMILY.

ENTRY IS 'FREE', PARKING IS 'FREE'.

THERE'S A LOT TO SEE AND WE ONLY CHARGE FOR TRAIN RIDES AND REFRESHMENTS

How to find us -

Our address is Broomy Hill, Hereford HR4 0LJ



By Car,

From the A49 (Victoria St) take the turning into Barton Road, at the traffic lights. After 400 metres turn left (immediately after crossing the bridge) into Broomy Hill Road.

After 600 metres turn left, down the lane which is signposted to us, The Hereford Society of Model Engineers, the Rugby Club and the Waterworks Museum. go past the Waterworks Museum and you will find us on the right.

The name of the railway is on a signpost.

Car parking is to the left, inside the gate, or on busy days, by direction of an attendant

On foot, from the city centre -

Cross to the Southern river bank by way of the Old Bridge. Take the footpath Westwards to the old Railway Bridge and cross back to the North bank. Continue along the riverbank, past the rugby club, turn right up the lane where you will find our entrance on the left

We welcome new members so please contact our membership secretary (details on the insert) or any club member for more information.

Our site working day is Tuesday so if you have an interest in model making of any type come along a see what we are about.





The HSME was founded back in 1962 with just 4 members and has now over 100, most of whom live in Herefordshire although some come from much further away. The site offers many facilities including two 'ride-on' railways, each with stations; one, a raised 'sit-astride' track of about 800 ft length and another far larger and more comprehensive ground level railway complete with multi-platform station, ticket office and working signal box. This railway provides a continuous ride length of almost a mile.

Encompassed within the ground level railway is a boating pond for floating models of all descriptions. (Just occasionally a nasty looking alligator has been spotted stalking unsuspecting vessels).



At the top of the site is a Gauge 1 'Garden Railway' and, in the clubhouse, a 00 gauge model of Ledbury station.

The clubhouse is styled as a station building, has a large meeting room and kitchen. We have workshops for Juniors and seniors, alike, with facilities for metal and wood working. Although railway interests predominate, members have many other interests, including boats, clocks, traction engines and other road vehicles. We encourage all aspects of model engineering.

Steaming days at Broomy Hill

The running dates for the year will be found on the insert sheet. Normally these are the second and last Sundays in the months from Easter to October, starting at noon and finishing at 4:30. These, and any other special events can be found on our website 'www.hsme.co.uk' and on our Facebook page.

There is ample FREE parking on the site and plenty of opportunity to wander about and view the locomotives in action. Light refreshments are available at the clubhouse on most running days but why not bring a picnic and make an afternoon of it

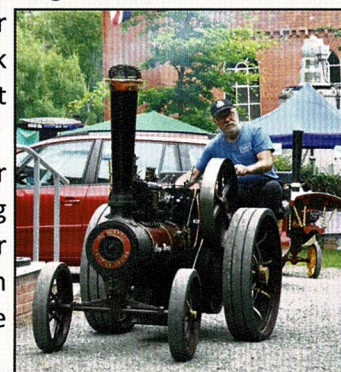
Our elevated track which runs from the Compton High Level station, accommodates the smaller gauge locomotives and ride-on trains. Access to this station is at the bottom of the site, follow the fence around to find the crossing. The other, longer, track is for the larger gauge trains and runs from Broomy Hill Junction station. The system is signalled from a working signal box on the end of the platform.

On the two ride-on tracks the steam locomotives are coal fired, taking on fuel and water at the stations as required. One word of caution; steam locomotives are hot and emit smuts so please keep clear and obey the instruction of the station staff. Now enjoy the run down the track, past Compton High Level station, around the river loop and up the bank, over the bridge, through the tunnel and past 'Howard's



Halt. Continuing on round the Jubilee loop and back through the tunnel to terminate back at Broomy Hill Junction. We welcome visiting locomotives on our steaming days, by prior arrangement. Please check the website for contact details.

The site is also great for birthday parties on running days. Get one of our birthday party leaflets from the clubhouse, ticket office or website.



Whilst steaming days are open to the public the site is also available for other events involving use of the railway or clubhouse. Private parties, school visits and corporate events can be arranged to suit your requirements. See the insert for details.

