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THE HASTINGS BLUE BELLE

A Day Excursion to the Bluebell Railway at Sheffield Park and Uckfield

Saturday 7th May 2016

Our first excursion of 2016 will take our train onto the Bluebell Railway at East Grinstead and run through to Sheffield Park where there will then be time to explore the railway and ride on a steam train if you wish. The train will then run back to Hurst Green before proceeding to Uckfield, then returning to Hastings via Croydon. Stops in each direction will be made at Eridge where it is hoped a connection DEMU train may be available on the Spa Valley Railway. We will also call at Roberstsbridge so that our train will link together three preserved railway lines in one day.

Our train will start from Hastings and run via Tunbridge Wells, Tonbridge and Redhill to Croydon where it will reverse in the Norwood Turnback Siding before proceeding to East Grinstead. Track capacity does not allow us the stop at East Croydon in either direction. On arrival at East Grinstead the train will then run through onto the Bluebell line making a non-stop run to Sheffield Park. We expect to have about four and a half hours at Sheffield Park allowing passengers plenty of time to explore the railway. Arrangements with the Spa Valley have still to be finalised.

Our train has a well-stocked Buffet Car and a selection of hot and cold snacks and drinks will be available at reasonable prices throughout both journeys.

TIMINGS AND DETAILS ARE OVERLEAF. A BOOKING FORM IS BELOW

TO: Hastings Diesels Ltd. (Tours), Railway Depot, Bridgeway, St. Leonards-on-Sea. TN38 8AP

FROM: Name

Address

Telephone

E-mail address

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Provisional Timings: These timings are approximate; final arrangements are not expected from Network Rail until quite near the date of the excursion.

Hastings	depart	08.04	Sheffield Park	depart	16.35
St Leonards Warrior Square	depart	08.08	East Grinstead	depart	17.30
Battle	depart	08.23	Eridge	arrive	18.28
Robertsbridge	depart	08.31	** 10.11	depart	18.38
Etchingham	depart	08.36	Uckfield	arrive	18.52
Tunbridge Wells	depart	08.57		depart	19.02
Tonbridge	depart	09.08	Eridge	approx.	19.18
Redhill	depart	09.42	Redhill	arrive	20.26
East Grinstead	arrive	11.01	Tonbridge	arrive	21.05
Sheffield Park	arrive	12.01	Tunbridge Wells	arrive	21.17
Shemera Lark	arrive	12.01	Etchingham	arrive	21.36
			Robertsbridge	arrive	21.42
			Battle	arrive	21.48
		•	St Leonards Warrior Square	arrive	22.03
			Hastings	arrive	22.09

Fares: For travel from any of the stations listed to Sheffield Park and back via Uckfield the standard fare is £58, or £220 for a bay of four seats; the Club Class fare is £84 per seat. There is a £5 supplement for travelling in power cars.

Please note: Discounted 'bay of four' fares are not available in power cars, or for Club Class.

Club Class: Travel at a seat with a table, and refreshments are provided throughout the trip plus a meal with wine on the way home. Why not spoil yourself? Travel is likely to be in a DEMU trailer coach, or an additional £5 ensures travel in 'Tunbridge Wells' power car.

Power cars: A £5 supplement should be added to individual (not bay) fares for travel in power cars, either Club Class or with standard seating. Capacity is limited.

Refreshments: Our train includes a Buffet Car and a selection of hot and cold snacks and drinks will be available throughout the day at reasonable prices. There is also a trolley service.

Booking: Please **complete both sides** of the booking form below, cut it off, then send it to the address shown with a cheque for the appropriate amount and a SAE for return of your tickets. **Smoking is not permitted in any part of our train, nor anywhere on railway premises.**

For further information (including enquiries about seat availability), please send an e-mail to bookings@hastingsdiesels.co.uk or telephone 07501 478676 [answerphone at certain times]

Travelling from		
Seats required: standard seat		have a preference for CEP or DEMU coach
bay of four st	andard seats in trailer coa	aches * at £220 per bay
CLUB CLAS	S seats at £84 each	
POWER CA	R supplement £5 each	Club Class or standard (see above)

Please also enclose a stamped addressed envelope for return of your tickets; these will be sent with confirmed timings a few days before the trip.

Cheque (made payable to Hastings Diesels Limited) **enclosed for £**