Preservation Miscellany

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Introduction

This slideshow takes a look at some of the other preserved railways in the south of the country which I have visited since taking up digital photography in 2004. The individual images are not captioned in my usual way but each selection represents all or part of a return journey on the railway concerned.

We start with the line which takes up at Paignton where the national network now terminates and continues the rest of the journey down to Kingswear for the ferry crossing across the harbour to Dartmouth, which naval town was well-known in railway circles as being the only place with a working railway station but no railway track!

It was regatta day at Dartmouth on the day of my visit (30/08/2007) with even larger crowds than usual, and boats decorated with bunting, while the naval college looked down somewhat aloof from proceedings, from its hill top location above the harbour. .

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Public toilets are opposite this station, next door to the Bear Shop.






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The North Norfolk Railway

Another preserved railway at a coastal location (isn't it strange how many branch lines to coastal towns and villages were closed when the railway network was rationalised) starts from Sheringham - a popular seaside resort on the North Coast of East Anglia.

It is part of a once extensive network (the Midland & Gt Northern Joint Railway) which in its heyday brought thousands of factory workers and their families on holiday to places like Sheringham and Cromer, and Caister and Gt Yarmouth - much to the annoyance of the Great Eastern Railway with which it was in competition.

It was late season when I visited the NNR off-chance (on 05/10/2010) and I was surprised to find steam haulage still in operation, albeit a small industrial tank locomotive which was just about able to manage its 4-coach load. In the season proper the railway does run typical main and branch line locos on its relatively short run into the North Norfolk countryside.

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