

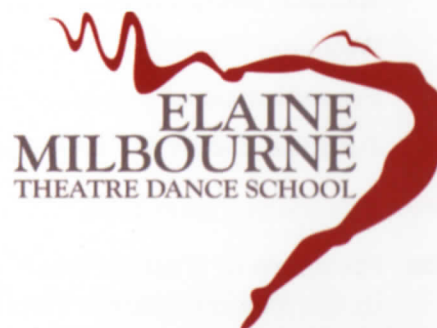
Puffing Billy Festival continues

1. 'Newburn Welcome Home Puffing Billy',
Sunday 22nd September,
11am till 4pm, Tyne Riverside
Country Park, Newburn.
2. Series of talks on 'Early
Railways' continues; Walbottle
Campus Wed September 25th,
Heddon WI Wed October 9th.
3. 'Beamish Half Term Puffing
Billy Celebrations',
Saturday 26th October
till Sunday 3rd November,
10am till 5pm every day.

We would especially like to
thank Beamish Museum for
their huge contribution, and
acknowledge the assistance
and funding provided by:

Friends of Libraries in Tynedale
Hadrian's Wall Country
Heddon Parish Council
Newcastle City Council
Network Rail
Northumberland County Council
Northumberland Sport
Robert Stephenson Trust
Tyne Valley Rail Partnership
Wylam Parish Council

REECE GROUP
LIMITED



David Kennedy
at VALLUM



Puffing Billy Festival

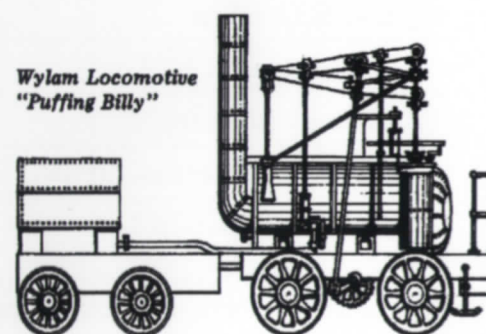


Welcome Home Puffing Billy Programme

Saturday 21st September 2013

11am till 4pm

Wylam Car Park, Falcon Centre & Institute



Wylam Locomotive
"Puffing Billy"



In 1813 a huge breakthrough in railway engineering took place right here in Wylam. William Hedley developed the first adhesion steam engine to haul coal from Wylam Colliery to Lemington staithes. The Puffing Billy Festival organised by community groups from Wylam, Heddon, Newburn and Lemington is celebrating this 200th anniversary.

Related events in Wylam today include:

Scoutrail – 14 model railways on display, plus associated stands in the Institute today and tomorrow Sunday from 10am till 4pm. The organisers, Wylam Scouts, also providing refreshments.

Look out for the Puffing Billy trail between the venues.

Wylam Parish Council Railway Museum – with its newly-installed moving scale models of Puffing Billy and Wylam Dilly is open all day.

George Stephenson's Cottage – half a mile east along the famous waggonway, will be staffed by National Trust volunteers in period costume and is free to enter today and tomorrow. Refreshments are available from its pleasant cafe.

The Friends of Puffing Billy wish to thank all the community groups and businesses who are joining us today, including;

Refreshments	Displays
David Kennedy's Vallum Farm	Earth Doctors
French's Cafe	Groundwork
Friends of Libraries in Tynedale	Melissa Robson
Wylam Brownies	Robert Stephenson Trust
	The Reece Group Ltd
	Tyne Valley Rail Partnership

Please note music and dance performances listed on the opposite page in **red**, take place in the south east corner of the car park.

Programme

11.00 Event opened by Mark Beattie,
William Hedley's great, great, great grandson
Welcome Heddon Local History Society walkers
Presentation of Puffing Billy Football Challenge Cup
Judging Fancy Dress Competition

11.30 **Stocksfield Stompers**

11.30 Premiere of 'Just in time', 'Wylam Am Drams' silent film in the Falcon Centre. This film will be shown throughout the day

12.00 **Wylam First School Choir**

12.30 **Hadrian Clog Dancers**

12.30 Heddon Brownies and Guides time trial of Puffing Billy themed shopping trolleys on waggonway

1.00 **Elaine Milbourne Dancers**

1.30 Junior Coal and Spoon Races in Falcon Centre playground

1.30 **Prudhoe High School Swing Band**

2.00 **Cherry Pickers Ukulele Band**

2.30 Wylam Brownies time trial of Puffing Billy themed shopping trolleys on waggonway

2.30 **Hadrian Clog Dancers**

3.00 **Prudhoe High School Swing Band**

3.30 Over 50's Coal and Spoon Race in Falcon Centre playground

3.30 **Cherry Pickers Ukulele Band**

4.00 Results, prizes and presentations