



INDUSTRIAL RAILWAY SOCIETY

2024 Membership Application Form

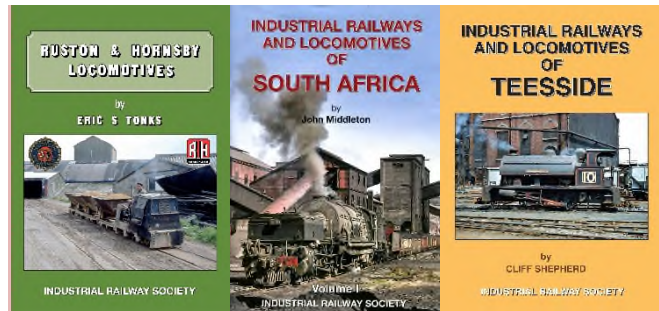
WHO ARE WE?

The **Industrial Railway Society** was founded in 1949 to specialise in the study of privately owned railways, their motive power and rolling stock. Initially this meant those railways serving private industry but over the years the heritage railway movement has developed so we now devote much effort to recording that, especially as so many heritage lines depend on former industrial locomotives for their motive power.

WHAT DO WE DO?

- We produce a bi-monthly **UK News Bulletin** covering current developments on industrial and heritage railways in the UK and Ireland, both as an A5 booklet summarising all the key news, available in printed and digital formats (suitable for viewing on your mobile), and in a larger (A4+) digital edition, in full colour and with more background detail, including maps, internet and video links, often drawing on the Society's seventy-five year archive to put current events in their historical context.

- Every quarter we produce an **Overseas News Bulletin** covering industrial and preserved railways throughout the rest of the world, and available in both printed and digital form.
- We also produce quarterly a well-researched and illustrated magazine, the **Industrial Railway Record**, featuring articles of historical interest on subjects seldom covered by the mainstream railway press but which represent an integral part of railway history. Printed in A5 format with 12 issues per volume, complete with index. Many of our members have their copies bound.
- We are active **publishers**. It all started back in the 1940s, with booklets listing the basic details of all known industrial locos, both past and present, in an area. As time progressed these pocket books became steadily more detailed, providing information on each site as well as the locos. Today they have evolved into impressive works of research, and for the past fifty years we have produced the definitive EL series, listing all known extant locos and railcars on industrial and heritage railways in the UK and Ireland (a new edition is due in 2024); regular update lists are circulated to members with the Bulletins. We also produce books covering specific items of industrial railway interest. All these publications are available to members at discounted prices. We have a substantial archive and encourage members to participate in research.
- We also organise **visits** to industrial railways which are normally off-limits to the general public, providing an insight in to what, even today, still helps to keep the wheels of industry turning. Sometimes you even get to dress up for the occasion....



Some recent Society publications, showing the wide variety of specialist topics we cover



An IRS visit to Hope Cement Works

THE INDUSTRIAL RAILWAY SOCIETY

Researching the Past, Recording the Present - For the Benefit of the Future
Why not join us and come along for the ride!

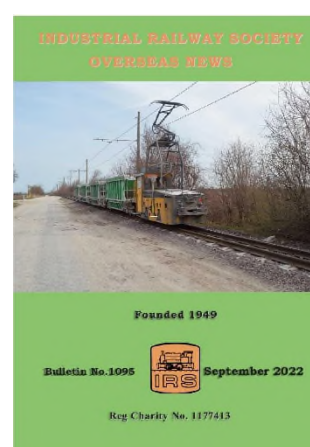
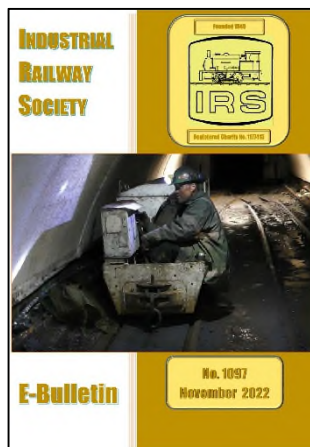
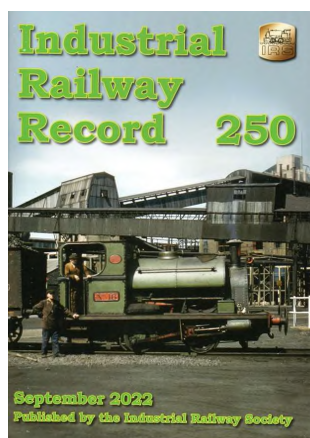
WHAT DOES IT COST?

There are several types of membership. Just tick the one that suits you best:

Type		2023 UK Rate	Overseas	✓
Basic	Printed and digital Bulletins	£22.00	£31.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Basic	Digital Bulletins only	£18.00	£18.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Full	Printed and Digital Bulletins and printed Industrial Railway Record	£32.00	£55.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Full	Printed Industrial Railway Record and Digital Bulletins	£21.00	£30.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Junior	For those lucky enough to be in the age group 14 to 24 and in full time education. You get digital Bulletins and printed IRR. If choosing this level please provide your date of birth :	£6.00	N/A	<input type="checkbox"/>

IF YOU JOIN BETWEEN **JANUARY AND JULY 2024** your membership will be backdated to January 2024. As a bonus, you will be eligible for a free copy of the IRS publications **Industrial Wagons** and **BR Diesels in Industry (8BRD)** and/or one of our Overseas books - either **Benelux, GE4 (Baden Württemberg)** or **Western France**.

IF YOU JOIN FROM **JULY 2024** your membership will run through to the end of 2025.



HOW DO I JOIN?

Website	At the E-Shop (https://irsshop.co.uk/) select Membership (on the blue ribbon), then the level you want. Payment can be by debit card, credit card or Paypal.
Internet Banking	Lloyds Bank, sort code 30-65-22, account no. 80782968. Please also email subs@irsociety.co.uk to confirm your name, address and the type of membership you require.
Paypal	You can send a Paypal payment to subs@irsociety.co.uk . Please also email to confirm your name, address and the type of membership.
Cheque/ PO	Please tick the type of membership you want and send this form and a cheque/PO payable to the Industrial Railway Society to Mr. S. Geeson, 24 Dulverton Road, MELTON MOWBRAY LE13 0SF . Please write your name and address below:
Phone (optional):	Email (optional):

The GDPR Stuff:

Our membership list is stored in an encrypted computer database and is not made available to third parties. Access to the list is confined to those Officers of the Society who have a legitimate requirement for that information. We do not send mailshots. Normally the only time we will contact you is to send you the Bulletins and/or IRRs to which your membership or subscription entitles you.