

Sunday 17th August

Gala Day

Absolutely fantastic sunny weather for our Gala Day with huge crowds and much interest generated; we were joined by the Mayor and Mayoress of Bideford.

Star of the show was Sentinel 8850 "The Lion", the 1930's steam lorry which originally worked at Devon Trading Company located at the nearby East-the-Water wharves.

Cab rides ran non-stop all day with group book stalls, tombola, raffle and Merchandise stalls raising funds.

We were also joined by publicity stalls by Exmoor Associates, Coombe Rail, Railfuture Devon & Cornwall, North Devon Model Society, Way of the Wharves and local Arts & Crafts and our own book and merchandise stalls.







"A 'sad but proud' time at the moment. Last Saturday I completed my final turn as a Driver and Managing Director at the Bideford Railway Heritage Centre and indeed in Devon, ending a 25 year stint on Southern metals including my time on the Dartmoor Railway."

Andy Mills