

## **Collett to Bridgnorth**

## Saturday 22nd October 2016

Bookings are invited for the Special Train on Saturday 22nd October from Kidderminster to Bridgnorth and back. This celebrates the re-launch into service of our Collett Brake Composite 6562 to join our other stock to form an excursion train on the Severn Valley Railway. Built in 1938 to diagram E159 at Swindon, the carriage arrived at Bridgnorth with Collett 0-6-0 3205 in 1967. It was the first carriage to be restored to GWR livery at Bewdley in 1968. It has been under-going much needed refurbishment in Bewdley Paint Shop by Colin Astbury and his team as part of the Railway's Great Western 2 set.

Departure from Kidderminster (SVR) will be at 11.15am. The train will pick up at Bewdley (11.28) before proceeding to Bridgnorth where, after a 45 minute turn-round (we hope to arrange a visit to the shed/works for those who wish to), we will head back to Highley arriving at 13.20 for a three hour break. There will be time for a visit to The Engine House (entry is included in ticket price). The Ship Inn will be serving a carvery lunch which, if required, must be booked in advance using the form below. Meals and snacks will also be available at The Engine House with no booking required. The train will halt at Bewdley for 45 minutes giving time to visit our current project, 6045. We are due back at Kidderminster at 17.46. The service will be formed of Great Western (SVR) Association stock and be hauled by a Great Western engine. Any surplus funds made will go towards restoration of Composite 6045.

If you would like to join us the fare is only £15 with concessions (over 65 or under 16) at £12. Please complete the return slip below with cheques payable to GW (SVR) Association and an SAE by the end of September.

Please return to Rob Massey at 9 Shandon Close, Harborne, Birmingham B32 3XB

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Meals to be paid for at The Ship Inn on the day. In the event of demand exceeding availability,

places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.