

1940's Weekend Train Service – July 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> 2009

	Steam	Diesel	Steam	Diesel	Steam	Diesel	Steam	Diesel	Steam
Leeming Bar	0950	1020		1155		1350		1550	
Bedale	0956	1026		1201		1356		1556	
Finghall	1015	1040		1220		1415		1615	
Leyburn	a 1032	1055		1237		1435		1634	
	d 1052				1255		1450		1650
Redmire	a 1105				1308		1503		1703
	d		1120		1323		1520		1713
Leyburn	a		1133		1336		1533		1726
	d	1105	1135	1250	1338	1440	1535	1640	1728
Burton Loop (run around)	a		1147		1350		1547		
	d		1200		1402		1602		
Leyburn	a		1212		1415		1614		
Finghall		1120		1307		1457		1657	1745
Bedale		1139		1326		1516		1716	1804
Leeming Bar		1146		1332		1522		1722	1810

Visitor Guide to the Event

The Wensleydale Railway, Combined Operations (Sheffield) and the Community of Leyburn welcome you to their second annual Wartime Weekend, Operation Dalesman. Most stations on the Railway have been prepared for the weekend, with each offering you a different view of life in the 1940's, and particularly the 1939-45 period. You will find some 300 participants wearing uniforms and civvy clothes of the period, and last year many of our visitors joined in the fun by donning costumes from the same period. For your convenience, there is a free Park & Ride service based on the A1 Leeming Bar Service Area (which serves Leeming Bar and Bedale Stations, and another based on the Leyburn Auction Mart, which serves the Market Square and the Station and the Tennant's Car Park (Sun only) – Please note that there is no car parking at the Station throughout the weekend. There will be a large number of vintage military vehicles in the Dale throughout the event, and these will be moving from one location to another along the railway all weekend. The following is a guide to the attractions a tion so that you can decide which trains or buses you wish to travel on. The attractions listed will be available on both Saturday and Sunday unless indicated otherwise, and there will be refreshment facilities on all trains.

There will be an overflight of the whole railway by the Dakota of the RAF Battle of Britain Memorial Flight on Sunday at approximately 1545.

(Weather and aircraft availability permitting)

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this Guide but we cannot guarantee that any specific event will take place, given the age of the equipment involved

Leeming Bar Station

The RAF Regiment Mobile Recruiting Display  
A Spitfire Engine will be operating at 0945, 1335 & 1515  
Buffet refreshment carriage serving snacks and hot/cold drinks  
Souvenir Shop housed in a Railway Carriage  
Display of Historic Military Vehicles and Uniforms  
0935 Entertainment by the Seaforth Highlanders (Nottingham Division) Pipe Band  
0950 (Sat only) Steam Service and Operation Dalesman launch by the Mayor of Leyburn, Councillor Margaret Knight  
Roving Musicians  
'The Banjo Boys'  
Black Watch Piper, John Best during the day  
1722 Entertainment by the Seaforth Highlanders Pipe Band

Leyburn Town and Station

A town, which is celebrating its recent liberation and a station that, is still servicing troop trains heading for the battlefield.  
The WRVS buffet will be serving snacks and hot/cold drinks. A Field Kitchen will be serving meals with a wartime flavour (and beer which is not warm!) and The Combined Operations forward HQ is located at the station and can be inspected. Additionally, there will be a constantly changing display of vehicles, equipment and personnel.  
In the town many of the shops and businesses will be decorated, with their staffs wearing period dress. There is a Soup Kitchen and a Military Canteen and participating bars and restaurants will have wartime meals on their Menus. In the Market Square will be a constantly changing display of military vehicles as well as many participants and members of the public dressed in period uniforms and clothes.  
In the Auction Mart car park will be a Militaria Fair where you can purchase a wide range of 1940's items

The Seaforth Highlanders Pipe Band

will entertain at both the station and Market Square at various times between 1100 and 1230, and the roving entertainers will visit from time to time.  
Prime Minister Winston Churchill will visit Market Square and the station several times between 1100 and 1600  
There will be a dance at Leyburn School commencing at 1900 (Sat only). Tickets at the door, bring your own food and drink  
On Sunday a Service of Remembrance will take place at the Methodist Church, starting at 1030. A wreath laying ceremony at the War Memorial will follow this. Prime Minister Winston Churchill will attend both

Bedale Station

A 1040's Railway Station offering refreshments and souvenirs which you can visit either by train, or by using the Park&Ride bus from Leeming Services  
A Combined Operations Sub Headquarters with a display of equipment, vehicles and

personnel demonstrating a wide range of military activities  
1010-1040 (Sat only) Visit by Prime Minister Winston Churchill  
Roving Musicians  
'The Banjo Boys'  
Lone Black Watch Piper, John Best throughout the day

Redmire Station

A recently recaptured area, with a Forward Allied HQ in the Station building. The area troops are NE Re-enactors, who mount British and American displays and vehicles. An Auster Spotter Aircraft will be on display. Prime Minister Winston Churchill will visit from 1445- 1530 (Sat only) and there will be performances by the Seaforth Highlanders on both days, as well as visits by the Roving Entertainers