

## West Riding Branch February 2023 Newsletter

First and foremost my profound apologies for this very late newsletter which comes as a result of having to put myself in the care of the NHS for a little while. Mercifully this is now very much coming to an end. As time is now very short before the next meeting this report will be far shorter than I would like.

The last meeting went very well and once again attracted a good number of members who witnessed Vic Drake presenting an excellent collection of black and white photographs taken by numerous steam railway photographers – including himself. Much was seen of localities close to home centring on both the Settle & Carlisle railway and its foothills. The West Yorkshire cities of Leeds and Bradford were covered in some detail. Early day pictures on the Worth Valley were most noteworthy. Expanding the format into foreign regions yielded steam activities in Portugal and South Africa whilst North American adventures to both the Cumbres & Toltec and the Denver & Rio Grande railroads were very much illustrated.

Thanks to Vic for keeping the show on the road with his most excellent evening of entertainment.

The up and coming February meeting is to be given by Peter Holden who is leader of the Bradford Railway Circle and will be presenting railway action taken at night-time under the title "Shots in the Dark". My contacts inform me that this is an excellent show and a worthy inclusion in our programme. Something different to look forward to!

The meeting is scheduled for the evening of Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February and, as always, will be at Saltaire Methodist Church commencing at 7.30pm.

I trust and hope that as many of you will once again turn out to support the event. Your attendance is greatly appreciated.

Kind Regards Bob Green