

## Narrow Gauge Railway Society

# Membership renewal for year ending 31 March 2024

We hope that you enjoy being a member of the Society and that you will renew your membership for the coming year. Your current membership expires on 1 April 2023 and is now due for renewal. If you joined the Society since 1 January 2023 your membership runs until 31 March 2024 so no action is required.

The Society is well aware of the financial pressures everyone is currently facing, but inflation is also occurring in postage and print, our two most expensive items. The rates will increase slightly for the new membership year. This is the first change in subscription for six years (when it was actually reduced). We do believe, however, that the Society offers good value for money and we appreciate your ongoing support.

#### Membership rates for 2023/24

	UK	Overseas
Full membership	£26.00	£42.00
E membership	£24.00	£31.00
Associate membership (family members)	£6.00	£6.00
Visits & e-NGN membership	£12.00	£12.00

You may purchase Associate and/or Visits & e-NGN memberships along with your subscription renewal.

**Full memberships** receive printed copies of The Narrow Gauge and six issues of Narrow Gauge News together with any special issue books published by the Society. Other members of a family household may become **Associate members** enabling them to come with you on Society visits to narrow gauge railways, the AGM and visit the Society library at Apedale. Associate memberships do not receive any publications.

**E-memberships** will receive Narrow Gauge News electronically along with printed copies of The Narrow Gauge and any special issue books.

Visits & e-NGN memberships are eligible for Society visits and will receive Narrow Gauge News electronically.

The Society benefits from discounts on magazines sent to full members allowing us to use priority mail or airmail. Sadly, there are no mailing discounts for UK e-members and so there is only a small difference between the full membership and e-membership subscriptions.

#### How to renew your membership

Approximately a quarter of members pay their membership subscription by direct debit. If you renew this way, your payment will be taken on 1 April 2023 and you need take no further action.

If you do not renew by direct debit, but have provided us with a current email address, you should have seen a renewal email explaining how to renew your membership online by bank transfer, debit card, credit card or payment using a PayPal or Stripe account. Around half of all members now pay their annual subscription electronically.

If you did not receive a renewal email, you can still renew online if you have an email address associated with your membership record as below:-

Online payment using a debit card, credit card or PayPal / Stripe account. Please visit the Society website at <a href="www.ngrs.org/membership">www.ngrs.org/membership</a> and click on the Renew button. This will take you to our Membermojo database where you need to insert the email address you have registered on your membership.

You can renew and pay your membership subscription by cheque using the renewal slip below. Your cheque should be made payable to "Narrow Gauge Railway Society" (drawn on a UK bank and payable in sterling).

Several members have asked if they can make a voluntary donation to the Society at the same time as they renew. Should you wish to make a voluntary donation you can do this either as part of your online renewal or your cheque payment.

Please use whichever method of renewal you find the most convenient. If you have an issues with any membership or renewal matters please feel free to contact me at the address below or membership@ngrs.org

Yours sincerely

Jill Everitt

Membership Secretary

### 2023/24 Membership renewal — if renewing by post and cheque payment

Please complete the form below and send it with your cheque made payable to "Narrow Gauge Railway Society" to: Jill Everitt, 4 Barnside Way, Moulton, Cheshire CW9 8PT. Please use capital letters and NO staples.
Full Name
Email address
Address
Postcode
Name of Associate member(s)
Optional donation included in renewal payment Thank you

In renewing your membership of the Narrow Gauge Railway Society you accept the terms and conditions of membership and undertake that, in the event of the Society being wound up during the currency of your membership, or within one year thereafter, to contribute to the assets of the Society a sum not exceeding £1 towards the costs, charges and expenses of winding up

Any personal information you give to us, whether written or electronic, will be processed in accordance with the UK Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulation ((EU) 2016/679). The NGRS will use the information to process your membership and it will be used and shared in connection with society activities (for example provision of key facts and details about the Society, provision of mailing lists for our magazines, notification of open days, organised visits and meetings including Local Area Group meetings, notification of the expiry of your subscription etc.). Please refer to the Privacy Policy for full details. The Society may also use the information to support its own financial records, marketing and market research activities. The information you provide will not be used for purposes other than the operation of the Society. People under the age of 16 years who wish to become a Full member or E-member should first obtain the consent of a parent or guardian.