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WE DO NOW URGENTLY NEED YOUR SPONSORSHIP!

We are now committed to the teak panel order for 70759, and our teak is currently in Germany. We await a delivery date. A £5000 (50%) deposit has been paid. So funding is a critical issue, and we urgently need sponsorship donations for this costly purchase. The £5k balance will be due on delivery. The next SVR NEWS should include an article about the teak train and our project work. Teak panel sponsorship so far amounts to £1.8k, so there is a long way to go to reach the £10k target. There remain many opportunities to sponsor individual panels at prices from £25 to £350.

Fuller details about sponsorship opportunities can be found on the SVR Rolling Stock Trust Company's website at:http://www.svr-rollingstocktrust.org.uk/LNER/70759.html giftaid it

Or, write to Bewdley Station Shop (Department LNERCG), Bewdley DY12 IBG.

MOQUETTE ORDER

Another imminent high cost item is the moquette order for 43600's new seating. This one carriage could probably be re-upholstered for around £2,500. But the manufacturer stipulates a minimum order length that is equivalent to four carriages' worth. In this case the surplus material will be used elsewhere in Teak Train carriages as these need attention. The Trust Company will shortly be placing this order, another £10k requirement. Yet more opportunities for sponsorship please! Life is getting a bit serious ... See – http://www.svr-rollingstocktrust.org.uk/LNER/43600.html

GNR COMPOSITE 2701 ~ NOW A FILM STAR!





<< Photo Phil Brown



SVR was the location for filming in February when the cast and crew of 'Dancing on the Edge' arrived to film at Kidderminster and Bewdley. For two days Kidderminster became Folkestone (Junction) and Bewdley was South







Bromley. The shooting starred Stanier Mogul 2-6-0 2968 and our rake of LNER teak vehicles. Award-winning GNR 2701 was especially chosen because of its 'period feel'. Filming the night scenes at Bewdley Station lit up the whole town. Acclaimed writer/director Stephen Poliakof has gathered some of the UK's finest big screen talent for the project. It stars Chiwetel Ejiofor and Matthew Goode, along with British stars Mel Smith, Anthony Head, Caroline Quentin and Jane Asher. International star Jacqueline Bisset also features,

The drama is set in the early 1930s and follows black jazz musicians, the Louis Lester Band, as they find fame amongst the parties and performances of London's upper class society. Although many recoil at the performance of black musicians in polite society, the city's more progressive socialites take the band under their wing. But when the band becomes entangled in their shadowy world, it results in a suspected murder. The walls begin to close in on Louis and the band.

'Dancing on the Edge' is planned to be screened on BBC2 towards the end of the year. Further information about the series can be found at: http://www.bbc.co.uk/pressoffice/pressreleases/stories/2011/06_june/22/edge.shtml



43600 & 52255 IMPROVEMENTS

The mirrors for Tourist Third Opens 43600 & 52255 have been delivered, and those for 52255 have already been fitted in that carriage. Several mirrors remain available for sponsorship and make a great present for that special occasion

See – http://www.svr-rollingstocktrust.org.uk/LNER/43600.html

Other progress in 52255 is the first section of the new LNER-style luggage rack (see picture) and the fitting of LNER tables (in place of the incorrect BR versions) plus a complete set of LNER coat hooks.

SVR SPRING STEAM GALA 23rd - 24th - 25th MARCH 2012



Not long now until this LNER-themed event!

Currently planned visitors include A4 *Bittern* masquerading as Garter Blue and skirted 4492 *Dominion of New Zealand*. This was Gresley's supreme livery for the A4s adopted for the 1937 high speed *'Coronation'* six hour London–Edinburgh service to mark King George VI's crowning. All being well, this will be 4492's first matching with an LNER teak-liveried train – a sight not seen since the 1930s and early 1940s. Among the attractions will be the restored LNER Kitchen Restaurant Carriage 7960, making its very first in-service appearance on SVR. Current intentions are that this vehicle will be attached to the Teak Train. A £3 supplement (payable on boarding) will be charged for anyone wishing to travel in this very special vehicle's restored luxurious surroundings.

Other visitors planned are:

- the Gresley Society's popular GNR N2 0-6-2 Tank No.1744
- J72 0-6-0 Tank 'Joem' No.69023, built at Darlington by BR in 1951 to a North Eastern Railway design of 1898. Popular blue liveried Caledonian Railway '812 class' 0-6-0 No. 828 will also still be with us for the event.

LNER Carriage Group

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LNER (SVR) Coach Fund

Websites with information about the Teak Train and current developments can be found at: http://www.svr-rollingstocktrust.org.uk/index.html

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Either of the second or third addresses takes you to a shared website covering all aspects of the SVR teak train.

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