



Winter Newsletter

It's our 10th birthday

Come along and join our celebrations

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It's awards season

not wishing to blow our own trumpet—but didn't we do well?



At Southern's recent Stars & Tsars awards the Lewes Station Partnership, along with the station staff won the best station category for best kept small station and their contribution to the 150th anniversary events for the Brighton to Seaford line.

At the Association of Community Railway Partnerships (ACoRP) gala event Sussex CRP came away with 3 awards; the Arun Valley Line with St Philip Howard School won 1st prize for best project working with young people, a multi-media project arranged to celebrate the 150th celebrations on the line, which included a news item that was filmed by the BBC and shown as a news item. Also a 2nd place for the best project under £500: a community art project creating celebratory mosaic plaques which are now displayed at both Bognor and Barnham Stations.

ACoRP also awarded us 2nd place for the best marketing project. "Time for a new look", we entered our new marketing material; the new look website which went live this summer, the newly designed Line Guides which now cover our entire area and include all sorts of useful local information and the revitalised social media pages.



Do you want to know more about the work we do?

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We have had some recent personnel changes and additions; Roger Langham our Stake Holder Advisory Board Chairman left us in September, we would like to thank Roger for all his hard work over the past 10 years and wish him well for the future. Tim Sparrow has taken up the post of SAB Chairman and is now also a member of the ACoRP board. Our latest recruit is Angie Lowen, she is the new Rail Education Officer and is working with West Sussex Schools on the rail education project. Over the past 2 months she has delivered over 20 workshops to over 500 Year 6 children.

Lastly Samantha Bryant, the Community Rail Development Manager left us in September, but not to worry as she came back as Mrs Samantha Lear—Congratulations Sam!

Update on new Station Partners and Projects

Our efforts to engage our local communities with their railway stations are going from strength to strength. Some of the more recent completed projects are: Buxted—platform planting. Crowborough—photographic display. Lingfield—art display. Hurst Green—art display and spring bulb planting. Penshurst—planting. Nutfield—artwork on display. Edenbridge Town—planting and community display board. West Worthing—large mural. Bognor Regis, Barnham, and London Road stations all now have community mosaics.



The Network Rail Volunteers arrive at Rye

When Network Rail's Andrew Wood heard about the vandalism to the Station Partners project at Rye Station he recruited an army of volunteers who flew into action. 24 Volunteers from as far afield as Northampton and London descended upon Rye for a day of clearing and tidying the shrub area, thus leaving it in a fit state for the Rye Studio to continue their project come Spring. Many members of the public approached the team to thank them for their hard work. Some of Kevin Barry's, (the SCRPs Development Officer for Rye) own volunteers arrived to join in, so there was plenty of community spirit around. With more projects planned for the Station we are sure the public will like what they see.



We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas
and a happy and prosperous New Year

A big thank you to all who have supported us and worked with us throughout the past ten years
we couldn't have done it without you!