



**INAUGURAL
RAIL USER GROUP
AWARDS 2012
Sat 3rd November 2012
Birmingham**

★ Rail User Group Awards 2012 ★

This year's six award categories:

Best newsletter

Best website

Most effective campaign

Most effective new group

Most outstanding individual RUG campaigner

Judges' Special Award

★ Rail User Group Awards 2012 ★

Presenter and Judges

The RUG Awards will be presented by *Railfuture* President **Christian Wolmar**

The Awards have been judged by a panel of our President and three *Railfuture* Vice-Presidents

Adrian Shooter, Barry Doe, Ian Brown

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Best Newsletter

Before the Awards themselves,
a Judges' special commendation for
The Friends of Denton Station



www.dentonstation.co.uk

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Judges Commendation

**David Shaw
collected the
award from
Christian
Wolmar on
behalf of the
Friends of
Denton Station**



Rail User Group Awards 2012

Best Newsletter

Silver Award

Huddersfield-Penistone-Sheffield Rail Users Association

“Track Record”

contact:

hpsrua@btinternet.com



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Best Newsletter – Silver Award

**Peter Mashall,
chairman of the
Huddersfield-
Penistone-Sheffield
Rail Users
Association, collected
the Best Newsletter
silver award from
Christian Wolmar**



Rail User Group Awards 2012

Best Newsletter

Gold Award



Cotswold Line Promotion Group

“Cotswold and Malvern Line News”

www.clpg.co.uk



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Best Newsletter – Gold Award

**Derek Potter of the
Cotswold Line
Promotion Group
Association collected
the Best Newsletter
gold award from
Christian Wolmar**



Rail User Group Awards 2012

Best Website

Silver Award

Bedwyn Trains Passenger Group

www.bedwyntrains.org.uk

For simplicity, ease of use,
and everything you need

Bedwyn Trains Passenger Group

- About Us
- Current Campaigns
- Electrification
- Our Successes
- Benefits of Bedwyn
- Local Information
- Station Screen
- Timetable East
- Timetable West
- Hints & Tips
- Bus Information
- Journey Planner
- Delay Claim Form
- Rules of Travel
- First Great Western
- National Rail
- Rail Cards
- Custom Timetables
- Picture Gallery
- Climate Pledge
- My Train Ticket

Commuting From Marlborough to London Paddington

Marlborough commuters can now get to London Paddington in just an hour and 33 minutes with a return journey of just an hour and 35 minutes. This is by catching the 0705 bus from the High Street, to Hungerford and changing onto the 0734 departure arriving at Paddington 0836. In the evenings the 1833 Paddington departure, with a change onto the bus at Bedwyn, gets commuters into Marlborough at 2008.

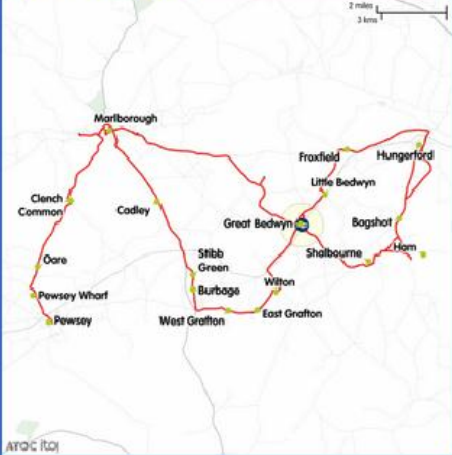
Quick Summary of Bus Times to Marlborough

Monday to Saturday Hourly service from approximately 0700 to 2000

Sunday No Service

[Click Here For Full Bus Timetables](#)

Bus Destinations From Bedwyn



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★ Rail User Group Awards 2012 ★

Best Website – Silver Award

**Awards Organiser
Roger Blake collected
the Best Website silver
award from Christian
Wolmar on behalf of
the Bedwyn Trains
Passenger Group who
had no representative
present**



Rail User Group Awards 2012

Best Website

Gold Award

Meldreth-Shepreth-Foxton Rail User Group melbourn.org.uk/railusergroup

May 2012: Tour of Foxton Signal Box



February 2012 - Foxton Level Crossing: Cllr Susan van de Ven, Tina Hughes whose daughter Olivia Bazilinton was killed at Easenham Level Crossing in 2005, and Sixth Formers Hattie McFadzean and Florence Clark who have helped raise awareness of a serious pedestrian safety problem at Foxton Level Crossing.

Photographs

The Meldreth, Shepreth and Foxton Rail User Group has a photostream on Flickr here.
October 2012 - Winter Planting: this was carried out by the station garden volunteers at the 3 village stations on the 5th, 6th and 7th October. Here is the work in progress at Meldreth station.



Winter replanting at Meldreth Station

The station gardeners have been busy again, early in October replanting at Meldreth, Shepreth and Foxton stations. There is more information about the station gardens here <http://melbourn.org.uk/railusergroup/station-gardens/>

"Meldreth Station - a great place for making friends"



Meldreth, Shepreth & Foxton
Rail User Group

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Cambridge

ng problems at Level Crossing

Meldreth station is operated by Fire between London KI hourly at peak time and machine on P1 11 on 02457 114141.

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Follow us on Twitter
For news about the Rail User Group and other local transport issues and information - follow us on Twitter @UKRUG

Stations

- Meldreth Station
Meldreth station serves the villages of Shepreth and Foxton, 11
- Shepreth Station
Shepreth station is Station Road serves the village of Shepreth, 11
- Foxton Station
Foxton railway station is just outside the village of Foxton.

Information

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Winter replanting at Meldreth Station

Posted on October 25th, 2012

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Continue reading...

Susan on Radio Cambridgeshire about Level Crossing Risks and Safety

Posted on October 25th, 2012

Susan was interviewed on BBC Radio Cambridgeshire's Drivetime on 24th October about Shepreth and Foxton Level Crossings. The interview covers the danger to people who are walking round the barriers at Shepreth when trains are approaching, this is extremely dangerous as trains pass through the crossing a very short time after the barriers close (unlike at Foxton)

Continue reading...

People taking risks at Shepreth Level Crossing

Posted on October 25th, 2012

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Best Website – Gold Award

**Peter Wakefield,
member, of the
Meldreth – Shepreth –
Foxton Rail User
Group collected the
Best Website gold
award from Christian
Wolmar**



Rail User Group Awards 2012

Best Campaign

Winner

Cotswold Line Promotion Group www.clpg.co.uk

Cotswold Line Promotion Group

The Cotswold Line Promotion Group is an entirely voluntary organisation, which was formed 25 years ago on 11th March 1978, with the aim of safeguarding and promoting improvements to rail and bus feeder services along the Oxford to Worcester railway line.

In 1986 the group's activities were extended to include the Worcester to Hereford line. It considers that a mixture of through and local services is essential to the future of the railway.

2011 has seen the new railway for the Cotswolds begin to take shape as engineers start laying double track on the line. With work taking place at night so as to minimise the impact on train services, five of the twenty miles of track required have now been laid.

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Best Campaign

**Derek Potter, of the
Cotswold Line
Promotion Group
collected the Best
Campaign award from
Christian Wolmar**



Rail User Group Awards 2012

Best New Group

Winner

Meldreth-Shepreth-Foxton Rail User Group

Gardening time again

Posted on April 25th, 2012

If you have enjoyed looking at the spring flowers at our three villages, please consider coming along to one of our working party days to turn

Response to the Thameslink Franchise Renewal Consultation

Posted on August 10th, 2012

The Meldreth Shepreth and Foxton Rail User Group has sent its response to the Thameslink Franchise Renewal Consultation. A copy of the response can be

Meeting with Network Rail Route 1 Director Dave Ward

Posted on June 13th, 2012

Thanks to everyone who supported the May 21st meeting with Network Rail's Managing Director, Dave Ward, at Foxton Village Hall. This was devoted entirely to

melbourn.org.uk/railusergroup

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Best New Group Award

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Meldreth – Shepreth –
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from Christian
Wolmar**



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Most outstanding individual Rail User Group campaigner

Winner

Susan van de Ven

**Chair of the Meldreth-Shepreth-
Foxton Rail User Group**

**Susan on Radio Cambridgeshire about Level
Crossing Risks and Safety**

Susan was interviewed on BBC Radio Cambridgeshire's Drivetime on 24th October

Safety



Susan appeared in an ITV News report on 8th October about a new Network Rail level crossing safety campaign. A video of the report can be seen [here](#), showing the

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Best RUG Campaigner Award

Peter Wakefield, member, of the Meldreth – Shepreth – Foxton Rail User Group speaks about its chair Susan van de Ven winning the Best RUG Campaigner award with conference organiser Roger Blake (right) listening





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Judges' Special Award

Winner

Tony Smale

Editor of Rail Users Express

and

Compiler of *Railfuture's* Directory of RUGs

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Judges Special Award

Tony Smale, editor of Rail User Express, and compiler of the Rail User Group directory, collected the Judges Special Award from Christian Wolmar





Rail User Group Awards 2012



**Congratulations to all the
award-winners**

**with thanks to all those who entered and
may there be many more next time!**

(Presentation photographs taken for Railfuture by John Balmforth)

**The 2013 awards will be presented at
Railfuture's Autumn Conference in Oxford**