

BUCKLEY WELLS  
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Dear Member,

It is with regret that we have to inform you that the Buckley Wells Railway Enthusiasts has now ceased to operate as a Society.

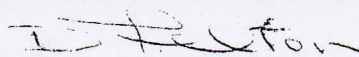
This has been caused through various factors over recent months, but the main one was one of finance. We have been running coach tours at a virtual loss since at least the beginning of this year, and it is just impossible to continue in this state without getting into serious trouble. The main reasons for incurring this loss has been the levies which British Railways have imposed for permits. Most of the permits we have to get these days have to be paid for, and can be as much as £6-0-0 for Bristol Bath Road, and upto £5-0-0 per depot in the Birmingham area. We have had therefore no alternative but wind the Society up.

However, things are not quite as bad for you as members as it first appears. All members have been given membership of another local Society, that being the East Cheshire Railway Enthusiasts, who in turn have changed their name to the "Northern Counties Transport Society". This is to give a greater area in which to obtain new members. Certain B.W.R.E. officials have been appointed officials of this new Society, and beside that very little else has altered. You will continue to use your B.W.R.E. membership number at least for the time being. Coach tours will still operate on the same basis as what ours did at approx two weekly intervals.

All bookings for our East Anglia tour on Sunday 19th October, 1969, will be honoured by this new Society. Any monies outstanding to B.W.R.E. members will be re-paid within the course of the next 10/14 days, when everything can be sorted out.

We must sincerely apologise for any inconvenience which this may cause you, but regret that this was caused by circumstances completely beyond our control. If you require any further information, or have any queries, will you please contact the writer.

Yours faithfully,  
per pro BUCKLEY WELLS RAILWAY ENTHUSIASTS

  
D. FELTON, General Secretary.