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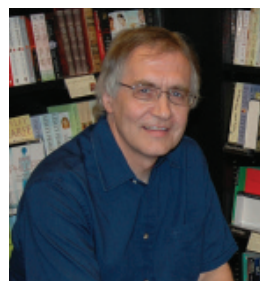
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THE PAIGNTON & DARTMOUTH RAILWAY

Mike Heath

In the great days of steam the 'Torbay Express' ran from London's Paddington Station to Torquay, Paignton and Kingswear where a Great Western Railway-operated ferry took travellers to a station across the water at Dartmouth. Nowadays diesel-hauled trains terminate at Paignton but across the platform memories of those halcyon days live on courtesy of the Paignton and Dartmouth Railway, which operates steam-hauled trains along the Paignton to Kingswear branch in true Great Western Railway tradition.

Renowned photographer Mike Heath and his family have visited this, their favourite area, a number of times in each of the last twenty-five years allowing Mike to capture the line in all seasons and weathers! Here he takes us on a photographic journey along the route. He highlights the diversity of the superb Devon coastal and riverside scenery through which the railway passes, the beautiful old world charm of its destination, Dartmouth, and shows why the area has attracted thousand of visitors each and every year since Victorian times.



For well over twenty-five years **Mike Heath** has enjoyed combining his hobbies of photography and visiting preserved railways all over Britain. In that time he has amassed a vast collection of stunning photographs covering all aspects of the railways across all four seasons, day and night. For this, his eighth book in the Halsgrove Railway Series, Mike has ventured to the South West of England for a personal photographic journey on the Paignton & Dartmouth Steam Railway.

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TITLE INFORMATION – THE PAIGNTON & DARTMOUTH RAILWAY



The overall roof at the buffer stop end of the station is a listed structure.



'Lydham Manor' crosses Waterhead Viaduct within sight of the station platforms.



The railway begins to turn away from the coast and crosses over Broadsands Viaduct seen here from the main A379 Paignton to Brixham road.



A popular Dart Valley Trail walk crosses the line a few hundred yards from the station necessitating a warning blast on the whistle from approaching locomotives.



The 4555 (No. 250) and 4556 (No. 251) were built in 1900 for use on the main line. The 4555 (No. 250) was built by the Great Western Railway and the 4556 (No. 251) was built by the Great Western Railway. The 4555 (No. 250) was built by the Great Western Railway and the 4556 (No. 251) was built by the Great Western Railway.



Example of a double page spread.



No. 4555 and 'Lydham Manor' attract attention at the Kingswear end of the platform.



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