WATERCRESS LINE **WELCOME TO THE**

HANTS RAILWAY

not to be missed!

and galas. We also have fine dining and real ale trains,

website for family events, 1940's revival experiences

throughout the year - make sure you check our

We have exciting special events that take place

frequent use by local watercress growers to

Our locomotives can weigh as much as 97 tonnes,

The name 'Watercress Line' came from the railway's

a daily basis – approximately the same weight as an

Our engines use between 3 to 5 tonnes of coal on

volunteer; from station staff and guards to signalmen

HOP ON

and and an internal of

Virtually everyone you meet during your visit is a

your visit, but please ask any of our staff if you

We hope this leaflet will guide you through

PLUS SO MUCH MORE

average hippopotamus.

and locomotive crews.

require further help or information.

DID AON KNOMS

transport their crop to London.

the equivalent of over 13 elephants.

by British Rail

the last day of service

1973 4th February was

through share issue

EAT AND DRINK

The West Country Buffet at Alresford Station serves hot food, snacks and drinks. You'll also find drinks, light snacks and ice creams at Ropley Station and Alton Station (seasonal opening).

Enjoy your refreshments at one of our picnic areas at Alresford or Ropley

INFORMATION FOR WHEELCHAIR AND **PUSHCHAIR USERS**

- We try to make the railway as accessible as possible for everyone. Step-free access is available for entry to all platforms from the station building. We have two wheelchair accessible carriages and ramps available to assist with boarding.
- Buggies and pushchairs can be taken on the trains, but should be placed in the Brake Coach.
- Please ask any member of our staff for assistance.



TIMETABLE

Railway

issued by British

- closure notices

Southern Steam

Our trains run according to colour-coded timetables. For today's colour-coded timetable, please ask a member of staff at our booking offices.

ALTON DEP		ONE TRAIN SERVICE											
ALION DEF					12.0	0		2.00		4.00)		
MEDSTEAD					12.15		2.15			4.15			
ROPLEY					12.27		2.27			4.27			
ALRESFORD A	RR				12.3	12.35		2.35		4.35			
ALRESFORD	DEP		11.00		1.00		3.00						
ROPLEY			11.16		1.16		3.16						
MEDSTEAD			11.27		1.27		3.27						
ALTON ARR			11.40		1.40	1.40		3.40					
TWO TRAIN SERVICE													
ALTON DEP			- 1	0.50	12.00	12.	50	2.00	2.5	0	4.00		
MEDSTEAD			- 1	1.04	12.15	1.0	04	2.15	3.0	4	4.15		
ROPLEY			- 1	1.16	12.27	1.	16	2.27	3.1	6	4.27		
ALRESFORD A	ARR		- 1	11.24		1.3	24	2.35	3.2	4	4.35		
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ROPLEY		11.1	5 12.00		1.16	2.0	00	3.16	4.0	0			
MEDSTEAD		11.2	11.27		1.27	2.	15	3.27	4.1	5			
ALTON ARR		11.40		2.28	1.40	2.28		3.40	4.2	8			
TWO+ TRAIN SERVICE													
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ALTON DEP			10.50	11.15	12.00	12.54	1.20	2.05	3.00	3.25	4.15		
MEDSTEAD			11.04	11.29	12.15	1.08	1.34	2.19	3.14	3.40	4.30		
ROPLEY			11.16	11.40	12.27	1.20	1.45	2.30	3.26	3.52	4.42		
ALRESFORD ARR			11.24	11.48	12.35	1.28	1.53	2.38	3.34	4.00	4.50		
ALRESFORD DEP	10.10	11.00	11.50	12.15	1.00	1.55	2.15	3.10	4.05				
ROPLEY	10.22	11.16	12.00	12.27	1.20	2.05	2.31	3.26	4.15				
MEDSTEAD	10.33	11.31	12.15	12.38	1.35	2.20	2.43	3.41	4.30				
ALTON ARR	10.54	11.44	12.28	1.00	1.48	2.33	3.04	3.54	4.43				









ALRESFORD - ROPLEY - MEDSTEAD - ALTON

Take a ride through the heart of Hampshire

WWW.WATERCRESSLINE.CO.UK INFO@WATERCRESSLINE.CO.UK The Railway Station, Station Rd, New Alresford, Alresford SO24 9JG TEL: 01962 733810

MAP AND VISITOR INFORMATION

WHAT TO SEE AND DO

ALRESFORD

Explore the colourful Georgian market town of Alresford. Enjoy a stroll around the small town or walk the beautiful Millennium Trail along the River Alre.

ROPLEY

Carriage Restoration Viewing Gallery

Watch our staff and volunteers restoring one of our many carriages and learn about the craftsmanship.

Loco Shed Viewing Gallery

Restoration in action. View our locos from above and see the restoration work being carried out.

King's Cross Footbridge

This bridge was dismantled and removed from King's Cross in 2008. It took eight lorry loads (200 tonnes) to move all the components.

Ride the $\frac{1}{4}$ km track amongst the kestrels and deer. Our miniature locomotives passing our beautiful meadow field (open at events and selected running days).

MEDSTEAD AND FOUR MARKS

The Goods Museum

The Victorian-era Medstead Goods Store, which was built around 1880, has been totally renovated and hosts an exhibition on the role of railways in the transportation of goods and freight.

The waiting room on Medstead down platform hosts a display of photos and text illustrating the history of Medstead Station from its opening in 1868 to the present day.

ALTON

The Curtis Museum and Allen Gallery are a 10 minute walk away from Alton Station. Combine a visit to Jane Austen House Museum and Chawton Library a couple of miles away.

GET CLOSE TO **OUR ENGINES!**

Experience behind the scenes of our restoration work and speak to our engineers in person. Touch, smell and hear the work being carried out in our Loco Yard.

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY

YOUNG ENGINEER'S TRAIL

Explore the Young Engineer's Trail. Pick up a leaflet at Ropley Station and by following the Restoration Route, find all 6 rubbing plaques along the route.

HARRY POTTER'S BRIDGE

A fan of Harry Potter? Walk in his footsteps over the same bridge used in Harry Potter films.

CHILDREN'S PLAY AREA

Perfect for younger visitors, with picnic benches nearby so you can enjoy

EAT AND DRINK

Pick up a kid's picnic box from Alresford Station with a selection of delicious treats and enjoy at one of our picnic spots. Each box contains a set of crayons.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY SHEETS

Activity sheets are available for different ages with colouring in, puzzles and games. These can be picked up at our booking offices.



At over 630 feet (190m) above sea level Medstead Station is the highest in Southern England. The steep 'I in 60' climb up to Medstead has gained the station its historic nickname of 'going over the Alps'.

MEDSTEAD AND FOUR MARKS

DID YOU KNOW?

The award winning topiary at Ropley Station is over 130 years old.

ROPLEY

ALRESFORD

TELL YOUR **FRIENDS** YOU'RE HERE FACEBOOK Q CHECK IN

RESTORATION ROUTE

Our Restoration Route around Ropley Station will guide you behind the scenes of our engineering facilities. Look out for posts with the logo. The route is step free to allow accessible access.









ALTON