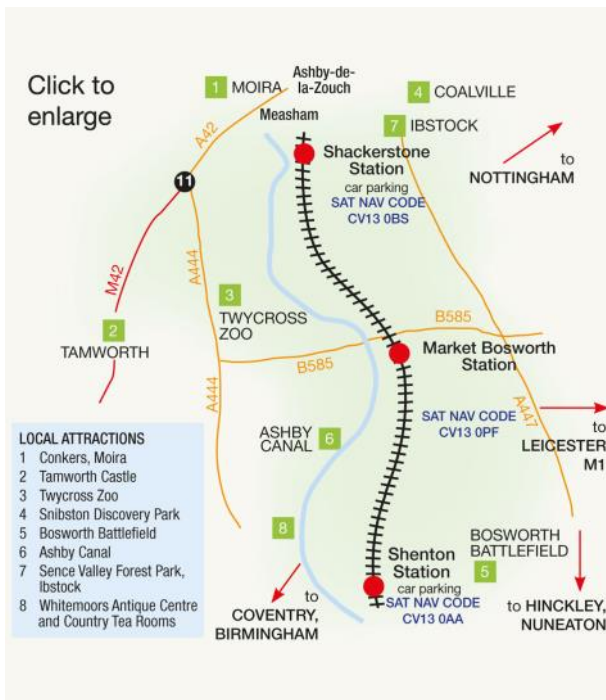


# A Steamy Day on the Battlefield Line - 31st October 2015



Two granddads - John & Chris - enjoying a footplate experience on the Battlefield Line as a special treat provided by their wives and children. They're hoping to be engine drivers when they grow up.



British Railways 4-6-0 No. 7820 *Dinmore Manor* (GWR design) was built in 1950. She was used for mixed traffic on rural routes, especially on the old Cambrian Railway. She started her working life at Oswestry before moving to Plymouth and, finally, to Cardiff before withdrawal in 1965. She was rescued from Barry in 1979 by the Gwili Railway, and is now owned by the Gloucestershire Warwickshire Railway.







Chris driving, John as fireman. Hand brake off!



Shovelling coal

John driving and about to leave Shackerstone Station



Creating brake vacuum







The museum at Shackerstone Station is extensive, and includes a fine array of hats, some children to wear them, and many amusing signs







Jack & George, Steve & Gill



Chris, Ian & Kathryn (who came up with the idea and organised the day).

Margaret, Janet and Chris

