

SHROPSHIRE RAILWAY SOCIETY  
**A HIGH SUMMER DAY OUT ON BOARD**  
**AN ICON OF MARITIME HISTORY**

Saturday 15 August 2026

Join us for a day out away from our usual railway themed destinations, for a trip on one of the UK's most impressive preserved steam vessels, the "Daniel Adamson" a steam tug originally built 1903 for the Shropshire Union Railways and Canal Co., but subsequently operated for many years by the Manchester Ship Canal Company.

Now based on the River Weaver in Cheshire, "the Danny" as it is known to its supporters offers a programme of cruises on board, so that passengers can enjoy both the passing scenery and the splendid Art Deco interiors of the vessel, which feature fittings said to have been intended for the Oceanic luxury liners.

We have chosen a four hour afternoon cruise along the River Weaver from the ship's base at Sutton Weaver to the famous Anderton Boat Lift, a journey which offers a mix of waterways heritage, riverside scenery and historic landmarks.

We will travel to Cheshire by shared members cars, parking at the Anderton Boat Lift, and then take a coach link provided by the operators of "the Danny" to the start point of the cruise at Sutton Weaver (where there is no parking), and our cruise will bring us back to our cars at Anderton by about 1730.

The boat lift is currently out of use for boat transfers, but it is still possible to do a Canal and Rivers Trust "walking the lift" tour which includes (for those with a head for heights !) a view from the top of the structure, and the date we have chosen for the "Danny" cruise permits participants to take in one of those tours in the morning before we travel to Sutton Weaver to join the ship, at an additional cost of just £5 each.

The fare for the "Danny" cruise is £55 per person, and I would now be grateful to hear from all members who are interested in joining us on the trip (sign the participant list at March meetings, send an e-mail to [outings@saloprailsoc.org.uk](mailto:outings@saloprailsoc.org.uk) or phone 01691 654488 or 07786 165101). Please do so **by the end of March**, since the operators of "the Danny" are holding a small block of places on the cruise we have chosen, and I need to give an indication of the size of our party in the near future.

In addition, when booking please indicate if you are willing to use your car for the outing, and to take other members to occupy vacant seats.

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