

## Narrow Gauge Railway Society Membership renewal for year ending 31 March 2025

Your current membership expires on 1 April 2024 and is now due for renewal. We hope that you enjoy being a member of the Society and wish to renew your membership for the coming year. If you joined the Society since 1 January 2024 your membership is valid until 31 March 2025 and therefore no action is required.

The Society recognises the current squeeze on optional spending and strives to minimise membership fees without compromising the high quality and frequency of our publications. However, our primary costs for printing and postage have risen considerably during the past year and in the interest of sustainability your Committee has regretfully concluded that there is no viable alternative to an increase in the membership rate for the 2024/2025 period. We continue to believe that the NGRS offers excellent value compared to commercial publications or similar railway enthusiast society subscriptions and hopes for your continuing support.

The 2024/25 Membership options and rates are as listed below:

**Full memberships** provide printed copies of The Narrow Gauge (TNG) and up to six issues of Narrow Gauge News (NGN) plus any one-time books published by the Society. Other members of a family household may become **Associate members** enabling them to attend Society visits, the AGM and visit the Society library based at Apedale. Please be aware that an Associate member will not receive any publications.

**E-memberships** provide online access to TNG and NGN magazines via a members only section of our website.

Visits & e-NGN memberships are eligible for participation in Society visits and will receive NGN online.

Membership rates for the year to 31 March 2025	Full members	E-members
Members in the UK	£30.00	£28.00
Members in Europe (magazines by priority mail)	£52.00	£28.00
Rest of the World <b>except USA</b> members (magazine by airmail)	£60.00	£28.00
Rest of the World <b>USA</b> members (magazine by airmail)	£80.00	£28.00
Associate membership	£7.00	£7.00
Visits & e-ngn membership	N/A	£17.00

\*You may purchase Associate and/or Visits & e-NGN memberships along with your subscription renewal.

## How to renew your membership

If you do not renew by direct debit and have provided a current email address you will have received a renewal email explaining how to renew your membership **online** using bank transfer, debit card, credit card or payment using PayPal or a Stripe.

If you did not receive a renewal email, you are able to renew online provided you have an email address associated with your membership record by using the process below: -

Visit the Society website at <u>www.ngrs.org/membership</u> and click on the **Renew** button to access the Membermojo database. Enter your registered email address and follow the prompts.

You may also pay for your membership subscription using **bank transfer (BACS)** or personal **cheque**.

BACS payments should be made to Narrow Gauge Railway Society sort code 54-41-37, account number 50786083. Please quote your postcode as the payment reference so that we can identify you as the payee. For cheque payment use the renewal slip below. Your cheque should be made payable to "Narrow Gauge Railway Society" (drawn on a UK bank and payable in sterling).

Several members have asked if they can make a voluntary donation to the Society at the same time as they renew. Should you wish to make a voluntary donation you can do this either as part of your online renewal or your cheque.

Please use whichever method of renewal you find the most convenient. If you have an issues with any membership or renewal matters please feel free to contact me at the address below or <u>membership@ngrs.org</u>

Yours sincerely	
Jill Everitt	
Membership Secretary	

## 2024/25 Membership renewal — if renewing by post and cheque payment

Please complete the form below and send it with your cheque made payable to "Narrow Gauge Railway Society" to: Jill Everitt, 4 Barnside Way, Moulton, Cheshire CW9 8PT. Please use capital letters and NO staples.

Full Name.....

Email address.....

Address.....

.....Postcode .....

Name of Associate member(s) .....

Optional donation included in renewal payment...... Thank you

in renewing your membership of the Narrow Gauge Railway Society you accept the terms and conditions of membership and undertake that, in the event of the Society being wound up during the currency of your membership, or within one year thereafter, to contribute to the assets of the Society a sum not exceeding £1 towards the costs, charges and expenses of winding up

Any personal information you give to us, whether written or electronic, will be processed in accordance with the UK Data Protection Act 1998 and the General Data Protection Regulation ((EU) 2016/679). The NGRS will use the information to process your membership and it will be used and shared in connection with society activities (for example provision of key facts and details about the Society, provision of mailing lists for our magazines, notification of open days, organised visits and meetings including Local Area Group meetings, notification of the expiry of your subscription etc.). Please refer to the Privacy Policy for full details. The Society may also use the information to support its own financial records, marketing and market research activities. The information you provide will not be used for purposes other than the operation of the Society. People under the age of 16 years who wish to become a Full member or E-member should first obtain the consent of a parent or guardian.