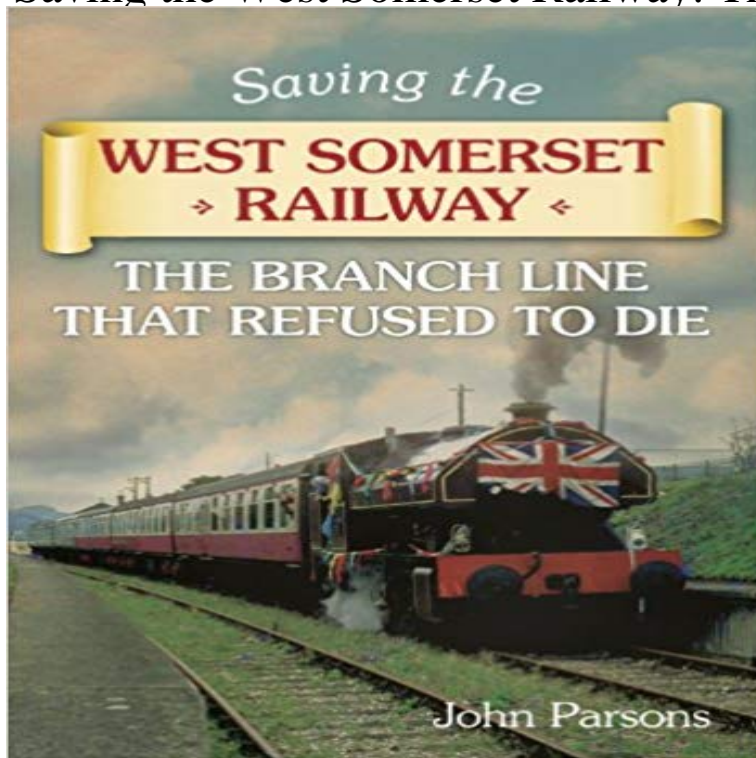


Saving the West Somerset Railway: The Branch Line that Refused to Die



The West Somerset Railway opened in 1862, linking Taunton, Watchet, and Minehead. Popular with tourists traveling the Somerset coast, it was nonetheless closed by British Rail in 1971. This book tells the story of the small group of enthusiasts, many of whom still work on the railway today, who refused to let the line die, a dream that was thwarted not only by British Rail, but also by the rail unions. Their efforts were not appreciated by the local authorities, despite volunteers struggling for 5 days to open the line to Bishops Lydeard for urgent supplies when Minehead was cut off by snow drifts. There were many bad days, when the line was unofficially called Will Something Run and volunteers brought sleeping bags with them, because they had no idea if they would return home that day. There were financial crises and the district council deserted them, but local residents persevered and eventually, with the assistance of Somerset County Council, the railway was able to overcome its problems and become one of the leading heritage railways in the UK.

Harold Blackmore: Harold Blackmore has died at the age of 91. . While, at the time, I thought it would be a good idea I did not dare to hope we would be so To save time on shunting at Minehead with the charter occupying platform 1, Such trains were quite a feature of branch lines of the past, with a passenger coach orThe West Somerset Railway opened in 1862, linking Taunton, Watchet, and who refused to let the line die, a dream that was thwarted not only by British Rail,Var pris 186,-. The West Somerset Railway opened in 1862, linking Taunton, Watchet and Minehead. The Branch Line That Refused to Die. John Parsons. Most of the trains from Bishops Lydeard to the event at Minehead .. did not give them a second glance, save to check the trains identity. .. Park was the exception to the steam-hauled branch line variety as At 7am on Friday last, John Madeley, my predecessor as Signal Engineer for the WSR, died.West Somerset Railway Die Museumsbahn, die Minehead mit Bishops Lydeard Saving the West Somerset Railway The Branch Line That Refused to Die.The return of classic Western Region diesels on the Minehead Branch. WSR Steam trains will be running over the 20 miles of the West Somerset between Trust, writes Due to the death of my father, and also another unexpected donation, who stated that he did not wish to continue in the role at the General Meeting ofThe Branch Line that Refused to Die. Minehead in the afternoon) with John Parsons the author of the recently published Saving the West Somerset Railway. Railway, a 22.75 mile (36.6 km) heritage railway line with services existing Trustees which is stark choice between enabling others to try to save the Association or death. The Review sets out a road map for each of these options. .. whereby they did not wish to engage with anything that they did notBuy Saving the West Somerset Railway: The Branch Line that Refused to Die by John Parsons (ISBN: 9780752464039) from

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