A Pigeon Post Day - Mine and Heritage Railway. Sunday 29th September.

CHILDREN COME FREE!

In the far north of Northern Region, in England's last wilderness, where Durham, Northumberland and Cumbria join, are the Nenthead Mines. The Nenthead Mines site – 200 acres of rugged Pennine landscape at the heart of the North Pennines Area of Outstanding

Natural Beauty – is a place where Zinc and Lead were mined extensively in the past. The site is now managed by a team of volunteers.... and on the 29th September they have an **Open Day** with trips down a mine. The mine trip takes about ninety minutes and is relatively easy, though there is a short ladder at one point. It is a very interesting mine (I was a mine guide at a neighbouring mine for a few years and know it well). We will meet there at 10.00 for a 10.30 mine trip. **Places need to be booked in advance to be sure of getting a place on the trip**.



We have 8 places reserved until Monday 9th September on the 10.30 trip. Please contact Elizabeth Williams to reserve a place

Suggested donation is £11.

Of course you could book a later trip and catch up with us at the railway – we don't leave Alston on the Heritage Railway until 3.00 o'clock.

For more information

www.nentheadmines.com

When we come out of the mine we will travel across to Alston by road. Time for lunch and a look around the historic town, the highest market town in England. Then we travel on the South



Tynedale Railway – 5 miles through stunning scenery to Slaggyford and back. Cost is £16 for adults Meet at Alston Station for the 3pm train. If you are really energetic you can finish the day by walking back next to the track from any station. A Steam Engine is not guaranteed!

For more information the website is:

www.south-tynedale-railway.org.uk

There is no public transport. If anyone wants to be picked up from and returned to Durham Station and ferried between Nenthead and Alston, I can do that. Please contact me if you are attending the event so that we can look out for you.

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