

BANCROFT MILL ENGINE TRUST

GILLIANS LANE, BARNOLDSWICK, BB18 5QR,
NEAR TO COLNE AND SKIPTON

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News from Sunday 26th June 2011

Sunday's steaming was a little disappointing, the weather was more appropriate to a day in the countryside or the lido rather than in the warm environment of an engine house. A local Game Fair with thousands of visitors and traffic control by temporary lights on the A59 also took its toll. However, there were visitors in the museum from the official opening time onwards and all enjoyed a good day, as usual the boiler and engine gave a good account of themselves.



TonyN, FredF and RoyF initially check the regulator function

Amongst the later visitors was

a local lady who had brought her mother for a tour of the museum because the mother had worked in the mill at the end of the war. It was a reversal of roles as they had visited the mill in 1945 when the mother brought the baby daughter for her workmates to see! She was then a few weeks old. More later on this subject as our visitors have promised to give us a copy of the original photograph. Our collection of period photographs is growing all the time with several interesting ones being donated by an officer of the Barnoldswick History Society during the Sunday's steaming. If you have such material we are able to make high quality copies and return the originals to you, please contact the writer, HarryM, as below.

The Bancroft Mill website has not been able to keep pace with our needs over the last couple of years as our increased activity has brought the need for frequent changes that could not be made and we apologise for that. It did, however, serve us well over a number of years and gave us a place on the World Wide Web when we needed one badly. We are indebted to Martin Harrison, a long standing member, for his generous provision and maintenance of the site over all these years and for his kindness in now passing the domain name over to us so that we can proceed further. We hope to be available on line before the next steaming with a site constructed by DaveM and occasionally aided by your writer.

Next steaming is on 17.07.11, we open at 11.00, engine runs from 1.00pm.

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