

## The SHARE Heritage Engineering Network (HEN)

What is HEN?

In January 2012, Norfolk Museums Service (NMS) became one of 9 organisations to receive development funding from the Arts Council. The £1,141,000 SHARE museums east grant is to deliver museum development across the East of England from August 2012 to March 2015. (The grant has now been extended to March 2018).

Share museums east is a team of 5 people from NMS delivering the service. It has set up a number networks across the east where groups are encouraged to share information (it also provides a number of free to attend training programs).

see <http://sharemuseumseast.org.uk/networks/>

The HEN encourages all volunteers and staff with interest in the use and management of heritage machinery to attend its meetings. The network supports the management and delivery of specialist skills in museums and other bodies who carry out working activities with machinery in the area of industrial heritage. Share have provided funding grant of about £1000 per annum to HEN, which is used to cover refreshments at meetings, help with travel costs to meetings in case of hardship, and payment for guest speakers. This grant is likely to continue for the next 3 years subject to the network co-ordinator providing adequate activity reports and a worthy application for funds.

A list of the organisations that have attended at least one of the last 3 meetings, from the signing in sheets, it is possible that other have attended and not signed in.

Cambridge Museum of Technology  
East Anglian Railway Museum  
Forncett Industrial Steam Museum  
Leighton Buzzard Railway Museum  
Long Shop Museum  
Luton Culture  
Museum of Power  
NNR / MSLR (North Norfolk Railway / Mid Suffolk Light Railway)  
Prickwillow Engine Museum  
Stockwood Discovery Centre  
University of Cambridge Museums  
St Albans Signal Box  
De Havilland Aircraft Museum  
Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse  
Burwell Museum and Windmill  
Bawdsey Radar Trust  
Museum of East Anglian life  
Fakenham Museum of Gas and Local History  
The Polar museum

Bookings for HEN events are made on the SHARE SHARE website at

<http://sharemuseumseast.org.uk/events/heritage-engineering-network-meeting-9/>

Also the notes from the previous meetings are uploaded to the Network Notes page and the H.E.N. information on the Networks page updated: <http://sharemuseumseast.org.uk/networks/> and <http://sharemuseumseast.org.uk/network-notes/>

HEN has a JISC e-mail list, which saves us from having to update the email distribution list. To use the list, or receive e-mails connected with HEN (i.e. to post messages to the members of HEN) you need to 'subscribe', which is pretty easy to do:

1. go to <http://www.jiscmail.ac.uk> and go to 'join group'. Use the A-Z to go to HEN. You will need to give your name and the email address that you want to use for HEN stuff.
2. once you have asked to 'subscribe' you will be sent an email with a link which you click which allows them to check that you are who you are (so to speak). They should then confirm your membership and send you a brief welcome message.
3. If you want to send a message to [HEN@JISCMAIL.AC.UK](mailto:HEN@JISCMAIL.AC.UK) it will (I believe) be sent to the list owner for 'moderation' before it is released, so please excuse a small delay (this someone at the museum of technology Cambridge)
4. You can 'unsubscribe' at any time.