

XXX INSERT ORGANISATION XXX news release

XXX DATE XXX

Railway 200 coming to XXX AREA XXX

The biggest celebration of railway history in the UK for a generation is coming to XXX AREA OR TOWN XXX.

Railway 200 is a nationwide, year-long series of events marking the 200th Anniversary of one of the most pivotal moments in history – the opening of the Stockton and Darlington Railway on September 27 1825. XXX ORGANISATION XXX is bringing the celebrations to XXX TOWN XXX.

XXX DETAILS OF YOUR EVENT, REMEMBER TO INCLUDE WHERE, WHEN, WHY HOW, AND WHO XXX

The UK-wide Railway 200 celebration is about commemorating all the milestones in railway history that created the modern world that we live in. From package holidays to commuting and even standardised time, the railways gave birth to them all.

XXX WHAT MAKES THE HERITAGE OF YOUR RAILWAY/TRAMWAY SPECIAL OR LOCALLY RELEVANT – GIVE DETAILS XXX

Railway 200 is an initiative backed by the whole rail industry, including the Heritage Railway Association, the trade body for the UK's steam railways, historic tramways and railway museums.

Heritage Railway Association Chief Executive, Steve Oates, said: "This a once in a generation opportunity to enthuse people about railways; their history, their future and to celebrate the people who've made it all happen over the last two centuries. Railway 200 is designed to give opportunities for every business, organisation, town, village and even church hall with a connection to railway history to come together and make sure that Railway 200 is an event worthy of such a momentous point in world history."

XXX QUOTE FROM YOUR ORGANISATION XXX

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