

Ann Cryer - KWVR President

I met my late husband Bob Cryer, (founder and for many years chair of the KWVRPS in 1962 and during our walk along Blackpool's promenade (Labour Party Conference week) I learned of his ambition to preserve the Worth Valley Railway. Due to the fact that, at that point, only one standard gauge line had been closed then re-opened by enthusiasts, it did seem to the very young Ann, a fairly strange ambition!

However, during the following years, our move to Oakworth, and birth of our children, I progressed from being a railway widow to being the KWVR's eyes and ears via our phone,(Haworth 2595). The Railway at that time, couldn't afford the cost of it's own individual phone line.

Thus in 1969 I took the call from Robert Lynn, Producer of "The Railway Children", feature film, which eventually lead to the making of that excellent film on our line.

To this day, families come to visit our line to see the many locomotives, locations and rolling stock from the film. I love hearing these various features explained to boys and girls as I did to my John and Jane so very long ago.

I have represented the KWVR as it's President for many years now, and hope that those years will be extended into the future.