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MELKSHAM
STATION















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With a "little training" you can escape the cost of car parking and dodge the congested roads!

Park your car FREE and travel by train from Melksham Station. So get a train ticket and not a parking ticket.

Tickets available from the guard of your train or obtain them in advance from Hunting Lambert Ltd., or B.R. staffed stations.

If you are travelling regularly why not make it easier (and cheaper) take a season ticket. Attractive second class rates available.

	Between Melksham and Chippenham	Swindon
Weekly	£ 05.30	£ 14.80
Monthly	£ 20.30	£ 56.50
Quarterly	£ 59.50	£167.00
Annual	£211.00	£590.00
Extra benefits for Season Ticket holders include:		

Half price travel on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays for purchase of DAY tickets on production of valid season ticket (one month or more) and photocard, at neighbouring stations.

Annual Season Ticket Holders Railcard for £5. with option to nominate second person. Provides discount of 50% on Adult Day Returns; 34% on Saver Returns, subject to both card holders travelling together; either card holder may take up to four children (aged 5-15 inclusive) at a flat fare of £1.00. each.

For some time people in Melksham have wanted their station re-opened. Now new legislation makes this easier and British Rail have taken the opportunity to put Melksham Station back on the rail map.

Initially a limited commuter service will be provided to and from Swindon each weekday, Monday to Friday — out after breakfast, back for tea. Looking to the future we are planning 3 trains each way for 1986/87, but this will depend on public support given to the present service and future demand.

If you need to commute and would like a day out for shopping or leisure purposes why not make it by train.

In the Summer holidays the "Weymouth Wizard" will call at Melksham too. Other excursions will be advertised as available.

Please take care joining and alighting at Melksham as only part of the platform will be in use.

Convenient trains for working in Swindon, Chippenham or Bath.

Ideal for leisure or shopping days away in London, Gloucester, Swindon, Bath or Bristol.

OPENING 13th May 1985

A FULL RANGE OF FARE BARGAINS

£1.20 day return Melksham to Chippenham.
£2.20 day return Melksham to Swindon
£6.50 day return Melksham to Gloucester.

Extra benefits with Season Tickets (see separate note).

Intercity Savers to London from (£14) and many other destinations.

Railcards for the Family, for Senior Citizens, for the Disabled and for the under-24's.

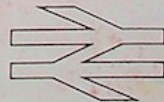
Half fares for children 5-15, children under 5 go free.

For further information contact our Travel Centres at:-

Westbury	Telephone: 822420
Bath	Telephone: 63075
Swindon	Telephone: 36804

or
Your local accredited Rail Travel Agent.

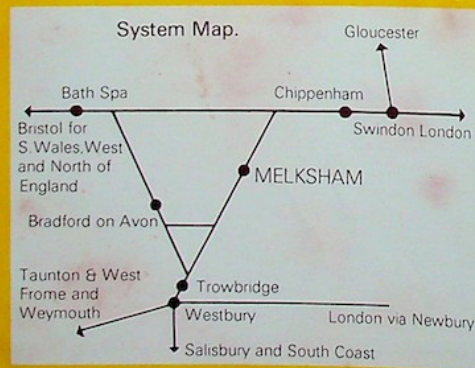
Hunting Lambert Ltd.
45 High Street,
Melksham



We are here: ➡



Same place as before but slightly different approach
— just follow the road signs off the A350 and A365.



Trains from MELKSHAM Station

Mondays to Fridays
from, 13th May, 1985 until further notice.

07.32	Warminster	18.32
07.36	Dilton Marsh	18.25
07.55	Westbury	18.21
08.02	Trowbridge	18.12
08.11	MELKSHAM	18.01
08.23	Chippenham	17.52
08.50c	Bath Spa	c 17.22
09.07c	Bristol Temple Meads	c 17.10
08.42	Swindon	17.35
09.37	Gloucester	16.40
09.43s	Paddington	s 16.05

c — Change at Chippenham
s — Change at Swindon

Refreshments available at Chippenham, Swindon, Bath, Bristol, Gloucester, London, Paddington and Westbury Stations.



YEARS OF PROGRESS

Swindon Exhibition

August 1 to September 1, 1985

Daily, except Mondays 5, 12, 19 August

The exhibition will be open from 0930 until 1800 hours. One of the highlights will be a full sized working replica of the broad gauge "single" Iron Duke, which will be in steam and offering rides in coaches running on specially laid track. There will also be at least twenty steam locomotives on show, including at least two from other main line companies. This is probably the most comprehensive display of GWR and Western Region equipment ever collected together at one location, and offers a rare opportunity which must not be missed. Admission fees will be £2.50 (£1.50 for senior citizens and children); admission will be free for members of the Rail Riders Club.

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TRAIN SERVICES AND
INFORMATION APPLICABLE AT MELKSHAM

OPENING
13th May 1985

Melksham Rail Service



Mon to Sat

	am
Westbury, Rail Station	7.51
Trowbridge, Rail Station	7.57
MELKSHAM, Rail Station	8.05
Chippenham, Rail Station	8.14
Swindon, Rail Station	8.32

Mon to Sat

	S	NS
	pm	pm
Swindon, Rail Station	5.30	5.56
Chippenham, Rail Station	5.46	6.12
MELKSHAM, Rail Station	5.54	6.20
Trowbridge, Rail Station	6.03	6.29
Westbury, Rail Station	6.10	6.36

KEY: NS Not Saturday | S Saturday Only
For connections at Westbury; Swindon and Trowbridge

- See British Rail Publicity.

Times VALID until 16th May 1992 - Check with British Rail
for services after this date



- Just a return commuter trip to Swindon / limited uptake
- Lack of advertising of new services
- Mumbled on through privatisation; → 5 a day in 2001
- Operated on a shoestring by Wessex Trains
- Hostile land (different company's station) in Swindon
- Unreliable, often cancelled, **never the less growing**
- By 2006, peak trains were quite busy having grown at 8% per annum for 5 years; lunchtime train was still thin in use

For enquiries on all rail services including fares telephone: 08457 48 49 50

WINTER TIMETABLE 30th September 2001 - 6th January 2002

	MONDAY - FRIDAY					SATURDAY				SUNDAY		
Swindon	06.35	08.46	14.19	17.51	22.02	08.46	14.20	17.44	22.13	13.20	17.30	21.24
Chippenham	06.51	09.02	14.35	18.09	22.21	09.02	14.35	18.00	22.29	13.36	17.46	21.49
Melksham	07.01	09.12	14.45	18.19	22.30	09.12	14.45	18.10	22.39	13.46	17.56	21.50
Trowbridge	07.10	09.21	14.55	18.28	22.40	09.22	14.55	18.20	22.48	13.55	18.05	21.59
Westbury arr.	07.16	09.28	15.02	18.35	22.47	09.28	15.01	18.26	22.55	14.02	18.14	22.07
dep.	07.20	09.42	15.15	18.37	STOP	09.31	15.15	18.27	STOP	14.08	18.15	STOP
Dilton Marsh	07.22+	09.44+	-	-	-	09.33+	-	-	-	-	18.17+	-
Warminster	07.29	09.51	15.23	18.45	-	09.40	15.23	18.35	-	14.16	18.24	-
Salisbury	07.52	10.14	15.50	19.05	-	10.03	15.50	19.04	-	14.41	18.49	-
Dean	-	10.27	-	19.17	-	10.16	-	19.17	-	-	-	-
Dunbridge	-	10.33	-	19.23	-	10.22	-	19.23	-	-	-	-
Romsey	08.11	10.39	16.09	19.29	-	10.28	16.09	19.29	-	15.01	19.09	-
Eastleigh	-	-	-	19.38	-	-	-	19.40	-	-	-	-
Southampton A.(z)	-	-	-	19.41	-	-	-	19.44	-	-	-	-
Southampton Ctl.	08.23	10.50	16.21	19.58	-	10.39	16.25	19.51	-	15.12	19.20	-
Southampton Ctl.	-	-	11.31	15.33	20.00	-	11.28	15.33	19.53	-	15.23	19.27
Romsey	-	-	11.42	15.44	20.11	-	11.39	15.44	20.04	-	15.34	19.39
Dunbridge	-	-	11.48	15.50	-	-	11.45	15.50	20.10	-	-	-
Dean	-	-	11.54	15.56	-	-	11.51	15.56	20.16	-	-	-
Salisbury	-	-	12.21	16.14	20.31	-	12.10	16.10	20.32	11.35	15.57	19.58
Warminster	-	-	12.45	16.38	20.52	-	12.31	16.30	20.53	11.55	16.17	20.19
Dilton Marsh	-	-	12.50+	16.42+	20.56+	-	12.35+	16.35+	20.57+	12.00	16.22+	-
Frome	-	07.40	-	-	-	07.40	-	-	-	-	-	-
Westbury arr.	* 07.48	07.48	12.54	16.45	21.00	07.48	12.38	16.38	21.00	12.03	16.25	20.27
dep.	05.47	07.50	12.58	16.47	21.08	07.50	12.42	16.39	21.02	12.04	16.26	20.28
Trowbridge	05.53	07.56	13.04	16.53	21.14	07.56	12.48	16.45	21.08	12.10	16.32	20.34
Melksham	06.02	08.05	13.13	17.02	21.24	08.05	12.58	16.54	21.19	12.20	16.42	20.43
Chippenham	06.13	08.16	13.30	17.14	21.36	08.16	13.08	17.07	21.29	12.30	17.00	20.59
Swindon	06.30	08.33	13.47	17.32	21.53	08.35	13.29	17.30	21.46	12.48	17.19	21.17

NOTES: * NOT Bank Holidays + Calls on request (Dilton Marsh) (z) Southampton Airport Parkway



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Norton, T J Nutt, Marianne O'Doherty, Cllr David Oakensen, Cllr Vic Oakman, Lloyd Ocampo, cllr Steve Oldrieve, Kerry-Ann Oliver, Councillor H Osborn, Councillor Jeff Osborn, Kirsty Paget, Richard Pagett, Matt Paish, Stan Pajak, Caroline Palmer, Graham D. Palmer, Joanne Parrock, Martha Parry, Andy Parsons, Salisbury Green Party, Postman Pat, Joe Patrick, Mr S Pe3rriman, D Pearce, Michael And Glenys Pearce, Hugh Pearce, Mike Pearce, Tim Pearce, jane Pelly, Matt Penny, Chloe





Departures from Melksham

Train info updated: 16:37

Time	Destination	Platform	Expected
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16:44	Swindon	1	On time
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Calling at: Chippenham (16:59), Swindon (17:17). (First Great Western)
Last report: Between Trowbridge and Melksham (16:35)
Note: Formed of 1 coach.

17:31	Swindon	1	On time
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Calling at: Chippenham (17:41), Swindon (18:03). (First Great Western)
Last report: No report
Note: Formed of 3 coaches.

18:29	Westbury	1	On time
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Calling at: Trowbridge (18:38), Westbury (18:44). (First Great Western)
Last report: No report
Note: Formed of 1 coach.

19:08	Westbury	1	On time
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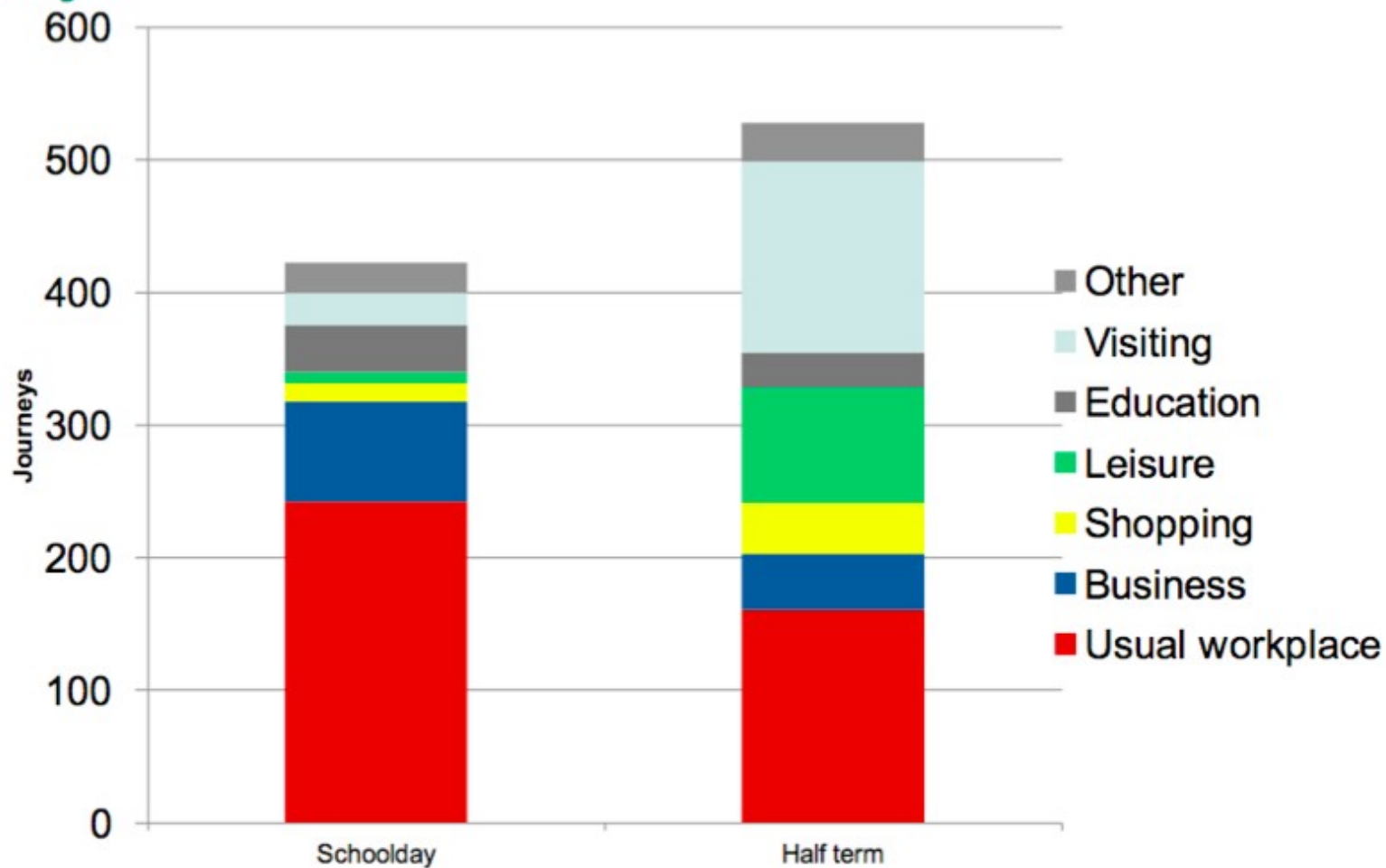
Calling at: Trowbridge (19:17), Westbury (19:25). (First Great Western)
Last report: No report

19:38	Swindon	1	On time
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Calling at: Chippenham (19:47), Swindon (20:05). (First Great Western)
Last report: No report



Journeys



Westbury – Melksham – Swindon

Mondays to Fridays													Saturdays													Sundays												
Notes																																						
Portsmouth Harbour  d													• • • 0721 1023 1223 1423 1623 1723													• • • 0908e 1108 1408 1608 1808												
Southampton Central  d													• • • 0823 1111 1311 1511 1711 1843													• • • 0956e 1157 1457 1722 1857												
Salisbury  d													• 0610 0640 0903 1142 1342 1542 1801 1913													• • • 1055e 1355 1527 1758 1927												
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Reading  a													0629 0818 0858 1109 1339 1539 1738 2010 2132													0908 1010 1130 1330 1530 1630 1809 2009												
London Paddington  a													0659 0845 0928c 1137 1407 1607 1807 2036 2206													0936 1036 1200 1400 1601 1700 1836 2035												
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Swindon – Melksham – Westbury

Mondays to Fridays										Saturdays										Sundays									
Notes																													
London Paddington d										0748 1002c1218 1418 1632c1800c 1948										0800c 1043 1243 1443 1642 1829c 2000c									
Reading d										0812 1027c1242 1442 1657 1812 2012										0829c 1108 1308 1508 1708 1853c 2024c									
Swindon d										0611 0844 1105 1314 1514 1736 1851 2045										0921 1141 1341 1546 1744 1927 2110									
Chilpenham d										0627 0859 1120 1329 1529 1751 1906 2100										0927 1156 1356 1601 1759 1942 2125									
Melksham d										0636 0909 1130 1339 1539 1801 1916 2110										0937 1206 1405 1611 1809 1952 2135									
Trowbridge a										0645 0918 1139 1348 1548 1810 1928 2119										0946 1215 1414 1620 1818 2001 2144									
Westbury a										0653 0925 1146 1355 1555 1817 1935 2126										0952 1221 1420 1626 1824 2009 2151									
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Weymouth a										• 1101 1406 1706 1900 2006 • 2301										1154 • 1549 • 2004 2306 •									
Warminster a										0703 0947 1210 1410 1613 1912 1946 2213										1009 1308 1508e 1657 1857 2110 2212									
Salisbury a										0723 1009 1230 1430 1633 1932 2005 2233										1033 1332 1530e 1719 1919 2132 2234									
Southampton Central a										0808 1102 1302 1502 1703 2002 2036 2305										1033 1403 1604e 1803 2003 2202 2305									
Portsmouth Harbour a										0942 1151 1350 1550 1752 2050 2144 2353										1151 1451 1651e 1853 2050 2251 2350									

Looking forward

- Currently a time of great (Covid-19) uncertainty
- Long term prospects are excellent
- We have more and longer train
- Passenger journeys 3,000 → 75,000 → ? 250,000 per annum
- Stepping up to hourly; through trains to Southampton
- Melksham Station Masterplan – TransWilts
- Melksham Station Marketing and support – MRUG

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