



GREAT CENTRAL RAILWAY

LOUGHBOROUGH, LEICESTERSHIRE

PRESS INFORMATION

Date: 2nd March 2010

GREAT CENTRAL GOES EASTERN FOR EASTER

**Tornado at the heart of Easter line up
2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th April 2010**

Tornado tops the bill from Good Friday to Easter Monday in a four day Eastern region flavoured extravaganza at the Great Central Railway. Two other locomotives will join the celebrity Peppercorn A1 Pacific, N2 number 1744 and original GCR locomotive O4 no 63601.

GCR event co-ordinator Steven Chapple said, **“We hope we’ve got a locomotive combination here to tempt enthusiasts. Three engines with Eastern region connections together in action for the first time. Last year at Easter we staged a tank engine gala to target the enthusiast market and had a very successful time. We hope this year will capture the imagination again. It’s also the last chance to see Tornado close up at the GCR before the locomotive moves on.”**

A host of other attractions are planned over the Easter period focussed on Quorn station. There will be traction engines on display along with a beer tent. On Saturday afternoon (and into the evening) there will be a barn dance and on Sunday the musical entertainment will be courtesy of the famous GCR shed band ‘Top Link’. There will be a hog roast on Saturday, Sunday and Monday. RVPs wooden bodied 1937 postal vehicles will be on display at Quorn station.

On Good Friday 2nd April, there are still opportunities left to drive Tornado. Footplate experience packages are available on the A1 from just £450 per person. Please call 01509 230726 for more information.

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FURTHER INFORMATION:

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Details on the above and all forthcoming events can be found on the Great Central Railway's extensive website: www.gcrailway.co.uk

Additional information can also be obtained from the Booking Office, Loughborough Central Station, (Daily 9.00 - 5.30) on 01509 230726