



Update April 2020

There's nothing to be said about future tours at the moment so this update focussed on a couple of ways I hope to use social media to give a bit of cheer in these times of Corona Virus lockdown.

YouTube

I've decided to make most of my videos on YouTube public again. My Channel is <https://www.youtube.com/user/trundlebahn/>

The most recent videos are 2 films of small mines in Taiwan but you might also enjoy Hunjiang (China) from the 1990s, a recent visit to Scunthorpe Steel Works or my last visit to Sandaoling at the end of 2018.



Sometime ago I made my videos unlisted when YouTube denied me the option

to monetize my videos by showing adverts at the start of the videos. They said I needed 1000 subscribers to do that and I had only around 800. I currently have 836 subscribers but if you can help me get to 1000 subscribers, that would be much appreciated. It's free to subscribe and you just have to click subscribe to boost my numbers.



Facebook

I have a Facebook page which used to be called Linesiding with John. I have now renamed that (Facebook permitting) to The Linesiding Club. According to Facebook terminology, you can 'like' or 'follow' this page and if so will probably (Facebook permitting) see additions to the page in your own Facebook Wall. But better still check out The Linesiding Club page whenever you go on Facebook. The link to the page is <https://www.facebook.com/LinesidingWithJohn> (that still hasn't changed) so it's something like The Linesiding Club @LinesidingWithJohn.

Can I suggest an idea to you if you use Facebook:

Upload a photo taken on a Linesiding with John Tour and challenge those who follow the page to make one true positive statement (i.e. not a negative statement such as 'It's not ...') at a time about the photo to see if we can build up a group description of the photo. I'm about to add a photo to the page (see below).



Can you make one positive statement about it? It will get harder once the easy comments have been made. The original poster shouldn't post statements about the photo themselves initially but can comment on the statements of others including their veracity. Once we've had our fun with a photo, the original poster can post what they know about the photo. You can post more than one photo at a time. I'll also post this one to get things started.



Hang on in there! I hope that next month will be better!

John