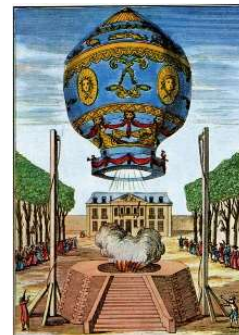


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Watt a Great Idea! 250 years of ethically operating, curating and interpreting Watt engines And the STICK Annual General Meeting

Date: Thursday 25th April 2019

Time: 10:00 – 15.30

Venue: The Engine Shed, Stirling, FK8 1QZ [near Stirling rail station]

10.00 Arrive: coffee/ tea. View exhibitions

10.30 Welcome

10:45 Katie Bowell, Edinburgh University
From 'indifferent' to 'illustrious,' the narrative of a Boulton & Watt beam engine at the National Museum of Scotland.

11:15 Jim Mitchell, Industrial Heritage Consulting Ltd
Some challenges in conserving a Boulton & Watt Engine.

11:45 Ben Russell, Science Museum
A curator at the height of his powers: HW Dickinson and James Watt, 1919-1930.

12.30 Lunch: will be provided and time to view exhibitions

13.20 STICK Annual General Meeting

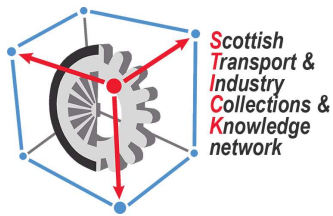
13.45 John Hume
James Watt: Hero or Superhero?

14.30 Watt?! No More Hot Air!
In this Balloon Debate, James Watt and other notable inventors are in a hot air balloon, but it is losing height. Who will be thrown out of the balloon first?! You decide!

15.30 Conclusion

Thursday 25th April 2019 | 10am-3pm | £25 | Engine Shed, Stirling

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Watt a Great Idea!

James Watt's separate condenser made the steam engine efficient, with world-wide repercussions to this day. Instrument-maker James Watt had struggled with a model Newcomen engine owned by the University of Glasgow. Finally he came up with the idea of a separate condenser, which he patented on 25th April 1769 - 250 years ago.

Join the Scottish Transport and Industrial Collections Knowledge Network (STICK) for its spring event 'Watt a Great Idea', celebrating 250 years of the separate condenser. Hear about the changing interpretation and presentation of steam engine history and technology, and debate the conservation and ethical issues involved in the operation of historic Boulton and Watt engines.

Balloon Debate: Watt?! No More Hot Air!

In a debate after lunch, James Watt and other notable inventors and entrepreneurs are in a hot air balloon, but it is slowly deflating. Who will be thrown out of the balloon and who should survive?! If you'd like to be a notable inventor in the Balloon Debate, please contact mark.watson@hes.scot

James Watt: Power to the People

See a new exhibition at our venue the Engine Shed, Scotland's dedicated building conservation centre, from April to September 2019: 'James Watt: Power to the People.'

STICK AGM

This event is open to all, but we will also be holding our STICK AGM. Non-members are welcome, and STICK is actively seeking new committee members. If you are interested in being nominated to the committee, please make yourself known to the event organisers on the day for a nomination form. Only members can vote.

Please note that the cost for this event is £25, paid upon entry. This includes morning refreshments and lunch. Cash payments only. Please bring correct money.