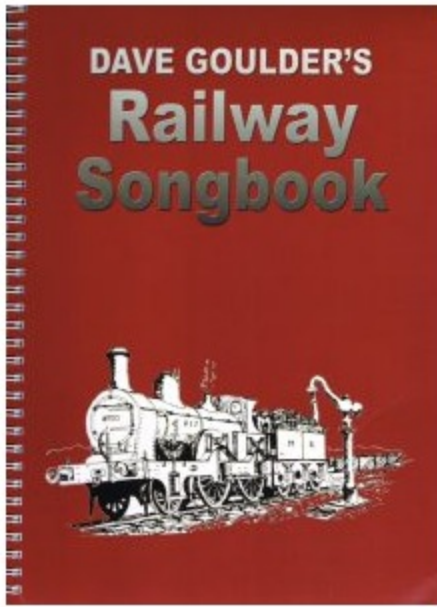


# Book Reviews

## Dave Goulder's Railway Songbook



£15.00 direct from [www.davegoulder.co.uk](http://www.davegoulder.co.uk)

What a fantastic mix of autobiography, history, songs, photographs and drawings.

Dave Goulder worked for BR in the English Midlands until 1961 when he realised that "a lifetime of shovelling wet ashes is not what I have in mind" and went to live in Wester Ross. I'm not going to give anything else away - you'll have to buy the book!

If you do, I strongly recommend that you learn to read music, if you can't already (and, by the way, it's extremely easy!), so that you can sing along in your head with all the songs as you laugh at the stories and enjoy the pictures.

I know this book fits under both my personal hats of music and railways, but it's one of the most enjoyable reads I've had. It's not cheap but when you see the quality of the production you won't mind that at all.

They fetched the gang from Nottingham and they soon set about  
With chains and jacks and dirty words, they got the damn thing out  
The fireman lost his shovel, now he's sweeping up the coal  
And I haven't seen the driver since, but I think he's on the dole  
Think he's on the dole



This is also a good place to mention that if you fancy the idea of spending a few nights in [ex-]Ardgay signalbox now's your chance...

[See [Dave's website](#) for details]

