

Four day celebration of Isle of Man Railways

RUSH HOUR

ON THE RAILWAYS



15 - 18 APRIL 2022



MANX ELECTRIC RAILWAY PARALLEL RUN



Commence our festival with the traditional Manx Electric Railway Parallel Run using Winter Saloons 20 and 21 from Derby Castle to Groudle Glen. Departs Derby Castle 08:50. Both Cars will remain in service throughout the day.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

MANX ELECTRIC RAILWAY UNUSUAL COMBINATIONS



A line up of unusual combinations in service for the day including 2 /60, 19/59, 20/51 and 32/57. (Please note that during adverse weather open trams and trailers may be swapped for enclosed ones)

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

MANX ELECTRIC RAILWAY MOTORMAN TASTERS



Try your hand at driving Tunnel Car 7 between Laxey and Lewaigue, passing along the cliff tops 588 feet above the sea at Bulgham Bay and through the scenic farmland of Maughold Parish. Car 7 departs Laxey at 09:50, 11:50, 13:50 and 15:50. Participants must be aged between 21 and 75. Proof of age may be required. Four participants per return trip.

£30. To book online visit www.rail.im or call the Welcome Centre 01624 662525.

No.11, MAITLAND

To celebrate Maitland's return to service the loco will carry a special headboard throughout the day. The new headboard will be unveiled by current House of Keys Speaker The Hon Juan Watterson SHK prior to the 09:50 Douglas departure. This is very fitting because the loco was named after after former Speaker of the House of Keys Dalrymple Maitland who was also served as railway director until 1919.



Standard train fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

TRAVELLING POST OFFICE



The 09:50 from Douglas and the 12:00 from Port Erin will also include a Travelling Post Office transporting special commemorative stamp covers to mark the occasion of No.11 'Maitland' returning to service. These very limited edition covers, with Railway Letter Stamps and cancelled with railway station postmarks, will be available for both parts of the journey.

Special covers for both these services can be ordered in advance from Ramsey Philatelic Services, 5 Windsor Road, Ramsey, IM8 3EG or available on the day from the TPO on arrival at Port Erin and Douglas. Steam Railway TPO Cover £5.50 each (plus £1.50 postage & packing if not collected).

LAXEY CAR SHED TOURS

An opportunity to view items of engineering and out of use rolling stock stored in the shed include; Locomotive 23, Freight Trailer 26 and Bulkhead trailer 50; (undergoing restoration). Please access the Car Shed via the main road; DO NOT walk along the tram line. Please wait outside to the rear of the shed for your tour to begin. Tours Start at 10:30, 11:30, 12:30, 13:30 & 14:30



£6. To book online visit www.rail.im or call the Welcome Centre 01624 662525.

MANX ELECTRIC RAILWAY MOTORMAN TASTERS

Try your hand at driving Winter Saloon 19 between Laxey and Lewaigue, passing along the cliff tops 588 feet above the sea at Bulgham Bay and through the scenic farmland of Maughold Parish. Car 19 departs Laxey at 09:50, 11:50, 13:50 and 15:50. Participants must be aged between 21 and 75. Proof of age may be required. Four participants per return trip.



£30. To book online visit www.rail.im or call the Welcome Centre 01624 662525.

EVENING STEAM



Taking a bus we will follow No.11 'Maitland' and Coach on its short journey to Santon Station. On route there will be a stop at Oakhill and Kerristal allowing for

extended springtime photographic opportunities. We will make the return journey by train. At Port Soderick the train will do a run pass for those who would like to film. On arrival at Douglas Station the train will then run back up the track so that photographs and films can be taken of the train's arrival into Douglas Station. After evening photography on the station a light supper will follow in The Tickethall at 18:00 with a slide show of 'Maitland Memories' to celebrate its return to traffic. Please meet at Douglas Railway Station for 16:00 ready for a 16:10 departure on the photography bus.

£25. To book online visit www.rail.im or call the Welcome Centre 01624 662525.

GREAT LAXEY MINE RAILWAY

The Great Laxey Mine Railway offers a fascinating insight into the industrial heritage of Laxey Village and will be in operation between 11:00 until 16:30.

Return journey **£2.50** per person. Go Explore Cards accepted.

INTENSIVE MER SERVICE

A selection of combinations in service for the day including 1/49, 2/54/ 5/48, 6/37, 14, 19/42, 20/59 & 32/57. (Please note that during adverse weather open trams and trailers may be swapped for enclosed ones). Timetable details can be viewed overleaf.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

TRAVELLING POST OFFICE

One of The Manx Electric Railway's Mail Vans will be situated at Laxey Station Siding and used for sorting mail from 10:00. A Railway Letter Service will also operate from the Summit on the Snaefell Mountain Railway to Laxey.



Special covers for both these services can be ordered in advance from Ramsey Philatelic Services, 5 Windsor Road, Ramsey, IM8 3EG or available on the day at the Snaefell Summit Hotel and from the Sorting Tender on arrival at Laxey Station. MER TPO Cover £5.50 each (plus £1.50 postage & packing if not collected).

DOUGLAS STATION TOURS



The Heritage Railway Volunteers will be offering a new tour that encompasses the old Goods Yard, Station buildings and infrastructure including the historic signal

box and clock tower. The tour offers a glimpse into the vast area Douglas Railway Station once occupied and some areas that are normally out of bounds to members of the public. Tours start: 09:00, 10:00, 11:00, 12:00, 13:00, 14:00 & 15:00 (8 per tour). Wait at Douglas Station for your tour to start.

£6. To book online visit www.rail.im or call the Welcome Centre 01624 662525.

STEAM HEADBOARDS



We will showcase a selection of headboards made by our good friend David Archer. David has made many headboards for the steam railway special events and this showcase offers numerous springtime photographic opportunities. Headboards will include: Port Erin Line since 1874, Peel line 1873 – 1968, Ramsey line 1879 – 1968 & Foxdale line 1886 – 1961.

Standard train fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

GROUDLE GLEN

Groudle Glen Railway return for the 2022 season with their now legendary Easter Bunny trains. The trains operate 10:00 – 16:30 on Sunday 17th and Monday 18th April. Tickets include free egg for the children, entry into the Easter Egg Hunt and free tea, coffee and Orange Juice at the cafe as well as a return train trip!



£6 for adults and £5 for children. Pre-booking essential. To book online visit www.ggr.org.uk

MER Timetable & Dining Car

Manx Electric Railway Timetable C+ Sunday 17th April 2022

Douglas	:	09:40	09:55	10:10	10:25	10:40	10:55	11:10	11:40	12:40	12:55	13:25	13:40	13:55	14:10	:	14:55	15:10	16:10
Groudle*	:	09:50	10:05	10:20	10:35	10:50	11:05	11:20	11:50	12:50	13:05	13:35	13:50	14:05	14:20	:	15:05	15:20	16:20
Baldrine*	:	09:58	10:13	10:28	10:43	10:58	11:13	11:28	11:58	12:58	13:13	13:43	13:58	14:13	14:28	:	15:13	15:28	16:28
South Cape*	:	10:05	10:20	10:35	10:50	11:05	11:20	11:35	12:05	13:05	13:20	13:50	14:05	14:20	14:35	:	15:20	15:35	16:35
Laxey	:	10:10	10:25	10:40	10:55	11:10	11:25	11:40	12:10	13:10	13:25	13:55	14:10	14:25	14:40	:	15:25	15:40	16:40
Dhoon*	:	10:25	10:40	10:55	11:10	11:25	:	11:55	12:25	13:25	:	14:10	14:25	14:40	14:55	15:10	15:40	15:55	:
Ballaglass*	:	10:35	10:50	11:05	11:20	11:35	:	12:05	12:35	13:35	:	14:20	14:35	14:50	15:05	15:20	15:50	16:05	:
Ballajora*	:	10:43	10:58	11:13	11:28	11:43	:	12:13	12:43	13:43	:	14:28	14:43	14:58	15:13	15:28	15:58	16:13	:
Lewaique*	:	10:47	11:02	11:17	11:32	11:47	:	12:17	12:47	13:47	:	14:32	14:47	15:02	15:17	15:32	16:02	16:17	:
Belle Vue*	:	10:50	11:05	11:20	11:35	11:50	:	12:20	12:50	13:50	:	14:35	14:50	15:05	15:20	15:35	16:05	16:20	:
Ramsey	:	10:55	11:10	11:25	11:40	11:55	:	12:25	12:55	13:55	:	14:40	14:55	15:10	15:25	15:40	16:10	16:25	:

Ramsey	:	11:10	11:25	11:40	11:55	12:10	12:40	:	13:40	14:40	14:55	15:10	15:25	15:40	15:55	:	16:25	16:40	:
Belle Vue*	:	11:15	11:30	11:45	12:00	12:15	12:45	:	13:45	14:45	15:00	15:15	15:30	15:45	16:00	:	16:30	16:45	:
Lewaique*	:	11:18	11:33	11:48	12:03	12:18	12:48	:	13:48	14:48	15:03	15:18	15:33	15:48	16:03	:	16:33	16:48	:
Ballajora*	:	11:22	11:37	11:52	12:07	12:22	12:52	:	13:52	14:52	15:07	15:22	15:37	15:52	16:07	:	16:37	16:52	:
Ballaglass*	:	11:30	11:45	12:00	12:15	12:30	13:00	:	14:00	15:00	15:15	15:30	15:45	16:00	16:15	:	16:45	17:00	:
Dhoon*	:	11:40	11:55	12:10	12:25	12:40	13:10	:	14:10	15:10	15:25	15:40	15:55	16:10	16:25	:	16:55	17:10	:
Laxey	10:25	11:55	12:10	12:25	12:40	12:55	13:25	14:10	14:25	15:25	15:40	15:55	16:10	16:25	16:40	16:55	17:10	17:25	:
South Cape*	10:30	12:00	12:15	12:30	12:45	13:00	13:30	14:15	14:30	15:30	15:45	16:00	16:15	16:30	16:45	17:00	17:15	17:30	:
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Douglas	10:55	12:25	12:40	12:55	13:10	13:25	13:55	14:40	14:55	15:55	16:10	16:25	16:40	16:55	17:10	17:25	17:40	17:55	:



THURSDAY 14 APRIL PIE & MASH

Enjoy a hearty home produced pie with delicious fillings on the steam railway. A selection of classic desserts will be offered on your return journey.

£32pp. Departs 19:00



FRIDAY 15 APRIL TAPAS TRAIN

A vibrant fiesta evening with mouth-watering Spanish and Portuguese tapas platters! A selection of classic desserts will be offered on your return journey.

£32pp. Departs 19:00



SATURDAY 16 APRIL CARNABY ST.

Join Manx Radio presenter Chris Williams on board The Dining Car as he takes you on a day dream believer flower power 60s evening with Carnaby St. hits and jingles.

£49pp. Departs 19:00



SUNDAY 17 APRIL EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday lunch with all the trimmings for family and friends as you travel through beautiful Manx countryside.

£35 adult / £17.50 child. Departs 12:10.

Also available a leisurely afternoon tea.
£30 adult / £15 child. Departs 16:10

For more details or to book the Dining Cars call **697457**

or email **steamdining@gov.im**

 /IoMTransport

MER DERBY CASTLE WORKSHOP & YARD TOURS



Each tour will include a brief history of the Derby Castle yard, a look at different types of trams, how they work and are maintained. Items of rolling stock not currently in use will be displayed in the Depot and MER artefacts will be on view. Tours limited to 10 persons per tour.

Tours start at 11:15, 12:15, 14:15 & 15:15 (Please meet at the MER Museum at the Derby Castle sheds for your tour to start).

£6. To book online visit www.rail.im or call the Welcome Centre 01624 662525.

MER CAR 5 SPRINGTIME PHOTOGRAPHY TRIP



Travelling to various scenic parts of the Manx Electric Railway on Car 5 with trailer 54 and van 16. The tour offers perfect springtime photography opportunities with a genuine 1970s combination. We will call in at Laxey Station for a light lunch during the tour. Car 5 will depart Derby Castle at 10:50 returning by 16:45.

£25. To book online visit www.rail.im or call the Welcome Centre 01624 662525.

STRATHALLAN DEPOT TOURS

An opportunity to visit the new purpose built Douglas Bay Horse Tramway Depot. Each tour will include a brief history of the Depot, a look at different types of trams, how they work and are maintained.

Tours throughout the day between 10:00 & 14:30

FREE for all to attend.



GRAND EDWARDIAN DAY OUT!



Back to the Edwardian era travelling around the Island using various forms of transport with visits to The Great Union Camera Obscura, Douglas Bay Horse Tramway and Queens Pier. The tour starts at Douglas Station on the 09:50 departure to Castletown. Continuing north by bus to Douglas Head visiting the Great Union Camera Obscura and former Marine Drive Tramway. The journey continues to Derby Castle to look at the Douglas Bay Horse Tramway fleet and catch the M.E.R to Groudle Glen Railway with a ride to Sea Lion Rocks. By bus the tour heads north to Ramsey Queen's Pier. The tour proceeds to The Bungalow and back down to Laxey on the Snaefell Mountain Railway. At Laxey we transfer onto the Manx Electric Railway back to Derby Castle with a bus from there back to Douglas Station. Guides from the Heritage Railways Volunteers Group will accompany the tour.

Meet at Douglas Station 09:30, returns by 18:30. This tour includes several walking sections that will not be suitable to those with limited mobility. Please note the Camera Obscura will be subject to good weather conditions. A packed lunch is advisable. These can be pre-ordered from The Tickethall by calling 01624 627888. £5 including drink (pay on the day).

£20. To book online visit www.rail.im or call the Welcome Centre 01624 662525.



RUSH HOUR TICKETS

Unless a separate ticket price is stated, Go travel cards or standard fare tickets are required for all events. See below for information about Go travel cards.

TRAVEL MORE AND SAVE MORE

GO EXPLORE CARD - unlimited travel on all scheduled bus and rail services, including The Douglas Bay Horse Tramway, Groudle Glen Railway and Great Laxey Mine Railway for 1, 3, 5 or 7 consecutive days with a scenic image on the front of the card.

GO EXPLORE HERITAGE - 5 consecutive days unlimited travel including all scheduled bus and rail services, The Douglas Bay Horse Tramway, Milntown House and admission to Manx National Heritage attractions.

Go Cards are available to buy from the Welcome Centre at the Sea Terminal, Douglas and all main railway stations. The card activation charge is £2 plus:

Go Explore Cards	Adult	Child	Family
1 Day Go Explore	£17.00	£8.50	£41.50
3 Day Go Explore	£34.00	£17.00	£80.00
5 Day Go Explore	£41.00	£20.50	£100.00
7 Day Go Explore	£50.00	£25.00	£122.00
5 Day Go Explore Heritage	£63.00	£30.00	-

A family card is for two adults and up to three children **aged 5 to 15 years**.
Children under 5 travel free (restrictions apply).

1 Day Go Explore - paper versions are available from any driver and any bus or railway station and don't require a Go Card.

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