

MANX HERITAGE WINTER TRANSPORT FESTIVAL

26TH - 30TH OCTOBER 2022



Enjoy five action-packed days' on the Isle of Man's award-winning network of heritage railways – nostalgia guaranteed.

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MER PARALLEL RUN BETWEEN DERBY CASTLE AND GROUDLE



Commence our winter festival with the traditional Manx Electric Railway Parallel Run using Cars 19 and 22. Departs Derby Castle at 09:00. Both Cars will remain in service throughout the day.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

MER TRAM AND TRAILER UNUSUAL COMBINATIONS



Unusual combinations include Car 19 with Trailer 61 departing Derby Castle at 09:40 & 12:40. Car 22 with Trailer 62 departing Derby Castle at 10:10, 11:40 & 15:10. Car 9 with Trailer 57 departing Derby Castle at 10:40 & 14:10.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

DOUGLAS BAY HORSE TRAMWAY WINTER SALOONS



Winter Saloons will be in service throughout the day. Car 27 will depart Derby Castle at 09:35, 10:05, 10:35, 11:05, 11:35 & 12:05. Car 29 will depart Derby Castle at 13:10, 13:40, 14:10, 14:40, 15:30, 16:00, 16:30 & 17:00.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

DOUGLAS BAY HORSE TRAMWAY STABLES

The Stables adjacent to Summerhill are open every day when the tramway operates allowing you to have a look inside the inner workings of our unique Horse Tramway. Please note that access may be refused at any time if stable staff are carrying out work that prevents public access or they are unavailable to supervise. Please wait at the stable entrance for a member of staff to advise. When visiting the stables please wear appropriate footwear and clothing.

FREE entry to the stables

DAY 1: Wednesday 26th October 2022

DAY 2: Thursday 27th October 2022

WIZARD EXPRESS

One for the kids as you join the Wizard Express to be part of a rather different Hop-Tu-Naa ride for 2022. Dress in your favourite Harry Potter or spooky outfit and enjoy meeting some new friends whilst testing potions, munching on a goblin eyeball lunch and a lot more gruesome treats. Owl be looking forward to seeing you but please book tickets early to avoid miserable disappointment. Departs Douglas to Castletown at 12:10, returns by 14:40.

£25 per adult, £15 per child (between 2-12 years). To book email steamdining@gov.im or call 01624 697457

WELCOME EVENING AT THE BRITISH HOTEL



Join representatives and volunteers from Isle of Man Railways for an informal welcome to the 2022 Winter Transport Festival. Talks will focus on the anniversary events planned for 2023 as the Isle of Man Steam Railway celebrates its 150th anniversary and the Manx Electric Railway celebrates its 130th anniversary. Doors open 18:15 for 18:30 start.

Admission £3.50 on the door. Price includes Tea or coffee.

MER PARALLEL RUN BETWEEN DERBY CASTLE AND GROUDLE

Parallel run using Tunnel Car 9 with Mail Van 16 and Tunnel Car 7 with wagon 10. Departs Derby Castle 09:00.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.



DOUGLAS BAY HORSE TRAMWAY BULKHEADS

Bulkheads will be in service throughout the day weather permitting. Car 36 will depart Derby Castle at 09:35, 10:05, 10:35, 11:05, 11:35 & 12:05. Car 45 will depart Derby Castle at 13:10, 13:40, 14:10, 14:40, 15:30, 16:00, 16:30 & 17:00.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

MER VICTORIAN TRAM DAY



Victorian combinations in service all day on the Manx Electric Railway featuring Car 1 with Trailer 42 departing Derby Castle at 09:40, 12:40 & 16:10. Car 7 with Trailer 51 departing Derby Castle at 10:10 & 13:40. Car 2 with Trailer 49 departing Derby Castle at 11:40 & 15:10. Car 19 with Trailer 59 departing Derby Castle at 10:40 & 14:10.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

TRAVELLING POST OFFICE

09:50 from Douglas and the 12:00 from Port Erin will also include a Travelling Post Office transporting special commemorative stamp covers. These very limited edition covers, with Railway Letter Stamps and cancelled with railway station postmarks, will be available for both parts of the journey.

These can be ordered in advance from Ramsey Philatelic Service, 5 Windsor Road, Ramsey, IM8 3EG. And will be available on the day from the TPO on arrival at Port Erin and Douglas Stations. Steam Railway TPO Covers £5.50 each (plus £1.50 postage and packing if not collected)

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GOODS TRAIN SHUNTING AT DOUGLAS STATION

Caledonia will be in Douglas Station and Yard from 15:30 until 16:30 shunting goods and departmental stock allowing for unusual photographic opportunities.



Stock to include the 'H' Wagon, Cleminson Coach and 'G1' Wagon. In adverse weather conditions this event will not proceed.

FREE entry to Douglas Platform. Please DO NOT walk on the tracks at any time.

PIE AND MASH SUPPER ON THE DINING CAR

Dine on board 'The Cruise Special' with two engines forming a 'double header' on the way to Port Erin and two engines forming a 'banked train' on the return. A descriptive and historical commentary along the way describing the coming of the railway age to the island ahead of next year's 150th anniversary celebrations. 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. Fully stocked bar on board. Departs Douglas 19:00 to Port Erin 20:15, return 21:15 arriving Douglas 22:30. Why not take the opportunity to explore the Railway Museum? Admission is free from 19:00 until 21:00.



£32. To book email steamdining@gov.im or call 01624 697457

A NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM



In association with Heritage Railway Volunteers and featuring floodlit exhibits and audio and video presentations. Take the opportunity to look at No.1 'Sutherland' that has been cosmetically restored and on display in the museum. Open from 19:30 until 21:00.

Free admission to the Museum

MER PARALLEL RUN BETWEEN DERBY CASTLE AND GROUDLE

Parallel run using Cars 32 and 33 weather permitting. In bad weather conditions Cars 9 and 19 will operate in place of 32 and 33. Departs Derby Castle 09:00.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

DOUGLAS BAY HORSE TRAMWAY TOASTRACK



Toastrack Car No.42 will be in service throughout the day weather permitting. Car 42 will depart Derby Castle at 09:35, 10:05, 10:35, 11:05, 11:35, 12:05, 13:10, 13:40, 14:10, 14:40, 15:30, 16:00, 16:30 & 17:00.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

MER TRAM AND TRAILER UNUSUAL COMBINATIONS

Unusual combinations in service all day and evening on the Manx Electric Railway. Sets will be decided on the day and weather permitting we hope to bring out some open cars for the day. Make sure to dress warm if you do decide to travel on one of the open cars; even on a dry day its guaranteed to be cold!

Standard Tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

GROUDLE GLEN RAILWAY

Join volunteers at Groudle Glen Railway for a rare opportunity to get a behind the scenes tour of their workshops and running sheds. Tours start at 10:00, 11:00 & 12:00.

Booking in advance only online at www.ggr.org.uk



DAYTIME GUIDED TOURS AT THE MUSEUM

In association with Heritage Railway Volunteers guides will be available throughout the day to offer guided tours of the museum at Port Erin. Open from 10:30 until 16:30.



Free admission to the Museum

MER DERBY CASTLE WORKSHOP AND YARD TOURS

An opportunity to visit the Derby Castle Yard workshops. 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 display. 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). MANX ELECTRIC RAILWAY MUSEUM at Derby Castle open all day

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

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SNAEFELL SUMMIT DINING PIE IN THE SKY

Experience the night sky at The Summit Restaurant with the Isle of Man Astronomical Society. On this night we may get to see some meteors from the Orionid or Taurid showers. The distinctly red coloured Mars will be rising in the east and so we will have three planets on view with Jupiter and Saturn in the south west. The Moon is new on 25th October so the young crescent Moon will provide good views of the lunar terminator. Departs Derby Castle 18:40, returns by 23:40.

£44. To book online visit www.rail.im or call the Welcome Centre 01624 662525

INDO-CHINA EXPRESS ON THE DINING CAR



Exotic mix of spices combined with sweet and sour complements the rice dishes. A choice of fine Southeast Asian desserts round off your dining experience. Departs Douglas 19:00, returns to Douglas by 22:30.

£32. To book email steamdining@gov.im or call 01624 697457

DOUGLAS WORKSHOP, RUNNING SHED AND SIGNAL BOX TOURS



The Heritage Railway Volunteers will be offering guided tours of the workshops, steam sheds and signal box to enable visitors to get a glimpse behind the scenes to see how the islands unique railways are maintained. 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

DOUGLAS BAY HORSE TRAMWAY DOUBLE DECKER & WINTER SALOON

Winter Saloon No. 27 will be in service for the morning. Double Decker No.18 will be in service for the afternoon. Car 27 will depart Derby Castle at 09:35, 10:05, 10:35, 11:05, 11:35 & 12:05. Car 18 will depart Derby Castle at 13:10, 13:40, 14:10, 14:40, 15:30, 16:00, 16:30 & 17:00.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.



STEAM LEGENDARY DRIVERS



Joe Buttell joined the railway as a cleaner in 1910, working his way up to become Senior Driver. From the 1920's he drove out of Port Erin, often taking locomotive No.16 'Mannin' on the heavily loaded "Boat Trains". He kept ducks in an allotment next to the railway, and these were captured in art by William Hoggatt in the painting "Buttells Ducks". We remember Driver Joe on the 60th anniversary of his first retirement. Departs Douglas 09:50.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

STAMPS ON THE MER AND DBHT

A special Railway Letter Service will operate between Derby Castle Station and Broadway on board the Douglas Bay Horse Tramway. Mail Van 4 and Mail Van 16 will be situated in the Groudle Siding at Derby Castle for the sorting of mail. Railway letter covers will travel on various DBHT services throughout the day.

These can be ordered in advance from Ramsey Philatelic Service, 5 Windsor Road, Ramsey, IM8 3EG. Telephone 07624 306847 or will be available on the day from the Mail Van on arrival at Derby Castle Station. Railway Letter Covers £5.50 each (plus £1.50 postage and packing if not collected)

MER CROSSOVER EXPLORER

Car 1 will travel to Ramsey using selection of crossovers and sidings on-route. The tour will include traversing the new crossovers at Queens Valley and Ballaskeig. Departs Derby Castle Groudle Siding at 09:55, returns to Derby Castle by 16:20.



£12. To book online visit www.rail.im or call the Welcome Centre 01624 662525

DOUGLAS BAY HORSE TRAMWAY TRAM & TWO HORSES



At 12:30 Car 18 with two horses pulling it will depart from Derby Castle. Perfect for photographers who want to capture an unusual sight. For those who wish to ride on board a limited number of tickets are available, but must be pre-booked using the details below.



£6 for adults, £3 for children up to 15 years. To book online visit www.rail.im or call the Welcome Centre 01624 662525

GREAT LAXEY MINE RAILWAY



The GLMR will be running its famous Hop-Tu-Naa Spooky trains. Take a ride through the ghostly tunnel and marvel at the special effects!

Trains run from 13:00 until 19:00. £3.00 per return trip

HOP-TU-NAA MURDER MYSTERY

During the wizarding hour a murder has been committed aboard the spooky train. Between three Hop-Tu-Naa courses can you solve the ghostly web of tick or treats clues and who is in the shadows waiting to ensnare their next victim. Departs Douglas 19:00 to Castletown. Returns to Douglas by 22:30.



£49. To book email steamdining@gov.im or call 01624 697457

DOUGLAS BAY HORSE TRAMWAY

The final day of service for the DBHT 2022 season.

Departures from Derby Castle at 09:35, 10:05, 10:35, 11:05, 11:35 & 12:05, 13:10, 13:40, 14:10, 14:40, 15:30, 16:00, 16:30 & 17:00. The last services of the day will include lights inside the saloon for a twinkling end to our season.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

INTENSIVE MER SERVICE

A selection of MER cars and trailers in service throughout the day. An enhanced timetable will be provided closer to the event.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted

DOUBLE HEADER DAY



The final day of service for the Isle of Man Steam Railways 2022 season will be marked with a selection of 'Double Header' and 'Banked trains', the first being the 09:50 departure from Douglas Station. The lead engine will be suitably decorated with a shield and headboard. The second engine will join the 10:27 departure from Castletown back to Douglas as a banked train. The 11:50 from Douglas will then operate as a second double header to Port Erin. The final 16:00 departure from Port Erin to Douglas will be a banked train. The day will present numerous photographic opportunities with many combinations.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

STEAM HEADBOARDS



A fine selection of headboards by our good friend David Archer will be attached to the front of services throughout the day allowing for a selection of photographic opportunities. Headboards will include: The Duke of

Sutherland, The QEII Platinum Jubilee, IMR Dalrymple Maitland and many other favourites.

Standard tram fares apply. Go Travel cards accepted.

DOUGLAS BAY HORSE TRAMWAY STABLES OPEN DAY



Join us at the Stables from 10:30 until 15:30 for an informal open day with guides and staff on hand to show you the inner workings of the Douglas Bay Horse Tramway Stables. You will also get the opportunity to feed and pet some of our tram horses. The perfect treat for all horse lovers and perfect for all the family. The last trams of the day will also run with fairy lights inside offering a twinkling end to the season.

FREE entry to the stables

HOP-TU-NAA VINTAGE TRANSPORT RUNNING DAY AT JURBY TRANSPORT MUSEUM



The Museum will be open offering Heritage bus rides around the local area, with Hop-Tu-Naa related activities within the Museum. Family friendly and nostalgia guaranteed! Open 11:00 until 16:00.

Admission free. Donations Welcome. Open 10:00 to 16:00 (toilets and refreshments available)

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SAVE THE DATES

Join us in 2023 to celebrate the two remarkable milestones of the Heritage Railways on the Isle of Man



Join us to celebrate on these dates...



SATURDAY 1ST JULY 2023

A glorious celebration of 150 years of steam to mark the official anniversary of the opening of the Isle of Man Railway Company Ltd on 1st July 1873.

**SUNDAY 23RD JULY –
SUNDAY 30TH JULY 2023**

A week-long festival on our Island's award winning Heritage Railways with many unforgettable events to mark the 150th anniversary of the Steam Railway and 130th anniversary of The Manx Electric Railway.



SUNDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2023

A special commemorative day to mark 130 years of the unique Manx Electric Railway which first opened from Derby Castle to Groudle Glen on 7th September 1893.



WINTER TRANSPORT FESTIVAL 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 tickets available from any bus, tram, train or station and don't require a Go Card.

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