

The Rail Motor Society Paterson

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A Central West Explorer Tour In The Rail Motor Society's Heritage 621/721 Rail Cars

Departing from Paterson, Maitland, Broadmeadow, Gosford, Hornsby, Concord West, Parramatta, Katoomba, Lithgow, Bathurst, Blayney, Orange East Fork, Molong, Parkes, Bogan Gate, Trundle, Tottenham, Peak Hill, Narromine, Nevertire, Warren, Forbes, Stockinbingal, Temora, Cootamundra West, Harden, Yass Junction, Goulburn, Moss Vale, Robertson, Summit Tank, Unanderra, Wollongong, Waterfall, Meeks Road Junction, Enfield, Chullora, Concord West, Returning to Broadmeadow and Paterson.

Friday to Wednesday 7-12th June 2024

Come and join The Rail Motor Society for a new six-day adventure on our annual Kings Birthday Weekend Tour to explore the Central West and Centre of the State Regions of NSW and returning via the Main South and Illawarra Coastline in rail cars 621/721.

Friday 7th June. Our heritage 621/721 Rail Cars will leave from Paterson picking up passengers at Maitland and Broadmeadow, Gosford, Hornsby, Concord West and Parramatta. A welcome Devonshire Morning Tea will be served as we proceed through the Western Suburbs and begin our climb through the Blue Mountains passing Springwood, Valley Heights, Wentworth Falls, Katoomba, Blackheath and Mount Victoria before dropping down through the 10 tunnels at Zig Zag to Lithgow for a leg stretch. Lunch will be served on board the train as we continue to pass Wallerawang, Tarana, Bathurst, Blayney and taking the East Fork of the Junction at Orange. Proceed westward passing Molong and Manildra to arrive in Parkes. Transfer to our accommodation to check in for our Dinner, Bed and Breakfast accommodation for our 4 nights stay. Drinks in the Bar before Dinner in the Dining Room.

Saturday 8th June. After a hearty country breakfast, transfer to Parkes Station to rejoin our train. Heading West we pass the now quiet Loco Depot, Goobang Junction and the major Freight Terminals. We then proceed to Bogan Gate where we take the Tottenham branch line towards the centre of the State. Passing the towns of Trundle and Tullamore on the way to arrive at our destination. The Tottenham Historical Society members will welcome our train and provide an introduction to the town and its lifestyle. A short stroll into the town to explore and enjoy lunch before rejoining our train returning to Parkes and our Motel for our second night stay. Drinks and Dinner in the Dining Room.

Sunday 9th June. After breakfast, transfer to Parkes Station to re-join our train for a morning run from Goobang Junction along the refurbished section of the Inland Railway passing Peak Hill on the way to Narromine. Our train crew change ends and we proceed on the Main West to the junction at Nevertire where we take the Warren branch-line to Warren South where the line is now truncated. After photos, return along the branch to Nevertire and a Country Pub lunch. We then retrace our tracks to Narromine and Parkes to return to the Motel for our evening's accommodation. Drinks and Dinner in the Dining Room.

Monday 10th June. After breakfast we will be joining our coach at 9.00am to explore the Parkes and Forbes areas including Memorial Hill, the HARS Museum at Parkes Airport and a visit to the Parkes Observatory (The Dish). Lunch will be included before we travel on to Forbes to visit the Visitor Information Centre at the former Lachlan Vintage Village site and McFeeters Motor Museum. Return to our Motel for our last night in Parkes for Drinks and Dinner.

Tuesday 11th June. Following breakfast at the Motel, we say farewell to our hosts and transfer to Parkes Railway Station to rejoin 621/721 to embark on our next day of rail travel. Departing at 9.15am we head for Forbes and pass locations along the line that have a name only, as their railway activity has passed into history. At the junction at Stockinbingal we head off to Temora for sausage sizzle lunch at the Railway Station Museum. Continuing our rail journey after lunch we return to Stockinbingal and then head for Cootamundra West. Taking the north arm of the triangle we join the main South Line heading north passing Demondrille, Harden, Yass Junction and on to Goulburn for our last night stay. Transfer to the Astor Hotel/Motel for our accommodation and meals.

Wednesday 12th June

Transfer to Goulburn Station after breakfast for a 9.00am departure. Travelling north through the Southern Highlands to Moss Vale where we divert to the cross country line to the coast. Passing Robertson and Mount Murray on our way to Summit Tank and the scenic descent of the escarpment through Dombarton to join the South Coast Line at Unanderra. Enjoy a packet lunch on board as we proceed on our last leg of the tour to Sydney. Enjoy some spectacular coastal scenery

after leaving Thirroul passing Stanwell Park, Otford and into the Sydney Metropolitan area at Waterfall. Continue to Meeks Road Junction to join the Metropolitan Good Line through to Enfield, Chullora, Flemington Junction and the Homebush Loop to arrive at Concord West to farewell our Sydney travellers. Our train will then return to Hornsby, Gosford, Broadmeadow, Maitland and home to Paterson to complete the tour.

You may wish to travel to Paterson or Maitland to join our train before our Friday departure. Limited accommodation is available in Paterson and Rutherford (close to Telarah Station) for the preceding Thursday night at your own arrangements and cost.

The Tour cost is all inclusive of Rail travel in 621/721, Coach travel and transfers, Dinner Bed and Breakfast accommodation for 5 nights, lunches, entry to all venues with morning and afternoon teas when on board our train. The train is now licensed for the sale of wine and beers together with other refreshments. Souvenirs are also available for purchase, whilst travelling on board our train.

Drinks at Motels and venues and items of a personal nature are at your own expense.

Tour Notes will be distributed on departure from Broadmeadow.

You may wish to arrange your own domestic Travel Insurance for this Tour.

Please accept my Booking for this Tour (Complete Booking Form details below)

_____ 6 Day Inclusive Tour Package for TRMS Members and Guests Twin Share Accommodation @ \$2250.00
_____ Single Supplement available on request @ \$ 360.00
Total (GST Incl) \$ _____

Payment by Instalment can be arranged on application.

**Direct Booking On Line at The Rail Motor Society Paterson or by phone
contact Trish Short on Mobile 0413 672408 or Spencer Ross on Mobile 0428 333443**

BOOKING FORM

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Name.....

Address Post Code.....

Telephone MobileE-mail

Accompanying Person(s)

Please Note any Special Dietary or Accommodation requirements

I require Twin Share Double Single SupplementAccommodation

I will join this tour at

PAYMENT BY CASH/CHEQUE/MONEY ORDER/EFT/VISA/MASTERCARD for \$

Card No. Expiry .../.../....

Signature Booking Date

Final Tour Information and Tickets will be posted to your address within 10 days before tour departure date.
The Rail Motor Society is not responsible for last minute changes to timetables or destinations due to unforeseen issues arising.
Refund Policy: Cancellations up to 30 Days prior-100%; Less than 30 days to 14 Days-90% Less than 14 Days, Regret no refund.

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Date Booking Processed Tickets Sent .../.../.... Car No. Seats