

The Rail Motor Society Paterson

A Riverina Rambler Tour via the Central West

In The Rail Motor Society's Heritage 621/721 Rail Cars.

By Coach to Hay

Travel from Paterson, Maitland, Broadmeadow, Gosford, Hornsby, Concord West, Parramatta, Penrith, Katoomba, Lithgow, Bathurst, Blayney, Orange, Parkes, Forbes, Temora, Narrandera. A Day Tour traveling via Yanco, Leeton, Griffith, Goolgowie to Hillston, Merriwagga and return. Returning via Junee, The Rock, Lockhart, Boree Creek, Wagga Wagga, Cootamundra, Goulburn, Moss Vale, Concord West, Broadmeadow, Maitland and Paterson.

Thursday to Tuesday 21st-26th May 2026

Come and join The Rail Motor Society for a new adventure on our annual six day mid year Tour. Explore the Riverina Region traveling via The Blue Mountains and the Central West with an overnight stay at Orange. Continue westward to Parkes and then south through the farmlands to Stockinbingal and Temora. Westward again into the Riverina District through Griffith to Narrandera for three nights. A coach trip over the closed branch line to Hay. Visit the magnificent Railway Station to learn of its earlier planning. A day trip to Hillston now terminus of the former Griffith to Roto Line, a junction on the Broken Hill Line. From Narrandera travel to Junee and continue on the Main South Line to The Rock for a trip along the branch to Lockhart and Boree Creek.

Return to the Main south for the return run north through to Goulburn for our last night.

Thursday 21st May. Our heritage 621/721 Rail Cars will leave from Paterson picking up passengers at Maitland, Broadmeadow, Gosford, Hornsby, Parramatta and Penrith. A welcome Devonshire Morning Tea will be served as we proceed through the Western Suburbs of Sydney and begin our journey over the Blue Mountains with a lunch stop at Lithgow. Continue westward through Bathurst, Blayney and to Orange for our overnight stay. A Coach will transfer us to our Mercure Orange Motel accommodation. Drinks in the Bar before Dinner in the Dining Room.

Friday 22nd May. After breakfast, join our coach to transfer to Orange Railway Station to continue our journey passing Parkes and Forbes to Stockinbingal and Temora for lunch at the historic Railway Station Museum. Proceed west to the heart of the Riverina District at Griffith and on to Narrandera for a three night stay at the Gateway Motor Inn. Dinner in the Dining Room

Saturday 23rd May. Following breakfast, board our coach to follow the closed Branch Line to Hay. Our Tour Guide in the Riverina is ARHS Life Member and Author Neville Pollard who will provide us with wealth of knowledge on the development of the region. Drinks at the Bar and Dinner in the Dining Room.

Sunday 24th May. After breakfast transfer to the station for our leisurely run on our day trip to Griffith and Hillston. A short walk to enjoy refreshments and a Chinese Banquet Lunch at the Hillston Bowling Club. After lunch rejoin the train for our return journey pausing at Merriwagga to visit the historic Hotel with the tallest Bar. Return to the train for the return journey to Narrandera for Dinner at the Motel.

Monday 25th May. Following breakfast, we say farewell to our hosts at the Gateway Motor Inn and transfer to the station to rejoin 621/721 to embark on our journey to Junee and south to The Rock where we venture on to the Oaklands Branch Line now truncated at Boree Creek. Following Lunch at the Boree Creek Hotel return to The Rock for our northward journey passing Wagga Wagga, Junee, traverse the Bethungra spiral to Cootamundra then Binalong, Harden and Yass Junction to Goulburn for our last night stay. Transfer by Coach to the Mercure Motel. Drinks and Dinner in the Function Room.

Tuesday 26th May Enjoy a hearty Hotel Breakfast before joining our coach to transfer to Goulburn Station to join our train for our final day on the rails. A packet lunch on board from our friendly CWA Ladies as we proceed on our last leg of the tour to Sydney. Enjoy the scenery as we travel through the Southern Highlands towns of Bundanoon, Moss Vale, Bowral and Mittagong and into the ever expanding southern areas of Picton and MacArthur to join the Southern Sydney Freight Line continuing through Campbelltown to Flemington Junction and the Homebush Loop to arrive at Concord West to farewell our Sydney travellers. Our train will then return to Paterson via Hornsby, Gosford, Broadmeadow and Maitland and home 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 and refreshments 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. (Please complete Booking Form details overpage)

BOOKING FORM

A Riverina Rambler Tour via the Central West

Name.....

Address **Post Code**.....

Telephone **Mobile** **E-mail**

Accompanying Person(s)

Please Note any Special Dietary or Accommodation requirements

I require Twin Share **Double** **Single Supplement** **Accommodation**

I will join this tour at

____ 6 Day Tour Package for TRMS Members and Guests Twin Share Accommodation per person @ \$2595.00 \$_____

____ Single Supplement available on request @ \$285.00 \$_____

If paying by Credit Card please add Transaction Fee of 1.5% to Total \$_____

Total (GST Incl) \$_____

Payment by Instalment can be arranged on application.

Contact Trish Short on Mobile 0413 672408 or Spencer Ross on Mobile 0428 333443

Recommended and preferred Payment can be made by direct EFT transfer to

The Rail Motor Society, Riverina Rambler Tour via The Central West

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OR by Cheque, Money Order or Cash

Please E-mail a copy of your Booking Form to: bustopnsw@gmail.com c/c treasurer@trms.org.au

OR Post to TRMS Tours Officer 5 Webbers Creek Road Paterson. NSW. 2421

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

Card No. **Expiry**/..../.... **3 Digit Security No.**

Signature **Booking Date**

Final Tour Information and Tickets will be posted to your address within 10 days before the tour departure date.

The Rail Motor Society is not responsible for any 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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