

**Offerings and Activities**

**Dinner Trains, Picnic Trains and Burger Trains with Online Ticketing**

The museum now uses eTix to sell online tickets for the Dinner Trains, Picnic Trains and Special Event Trains, such as our annual Christmas Trains and Bunny Trains. This speeds the ticketing process, allows reservations months in advance, and allows travelers to print out tickets at home.

https://www.easttroyrr.org/dinner-trains

<https://www.easttroyrr.org/family-picnic-trains>

**Special Events - 2020 Calendar**

*Bunny Trains* - April 4, 5 & 1 (Easter Bunny Theme for kids and families)

*Railfest/Railfan Day* - June 20 (All equipment on display and fun, family-friendly activities)

*Chicago & Military Day* - July 18 (Featuring Historic Chicago Cars & Free Admission for Vets)

*Full Moon Ride* - August 3 (Enjoy the sunset and full moon rise aboard the train, take photos)

*Beer Tasting Train* - September 5 (Held in conjunction with Black Point Estate)

*Harvest Fest Trains* – September 12 - October 25 (Purchase tickets for these popular trains)

*Christmas Trains* - November 28 & 29, December 5 & 6; 12 & 13; 19 & 20

**Website with Online Ticket Purchasing for Special Event Trains**

The museum’s website features schedules, news, dinner and specialty train ticketing, information for visitors and media, and links to multiple slideshows and videos featuring the railroad. The updated website also improves mobile device viewing. Learn more at:

<https://www.easttroyrr.org>

**See Us at Trainfest and the Mad City Model Railroad Show**

We participate at [Trainfest](http://www.trainfest.com) in Milwaukee, America’s Largest Model Railroad Show. We also have an informational table at the [Mad City Model Railroad Show](http://www.nmra-scwd.org/Rail_Show_Info.php) in February. This year we will also be at the Delavan Train Show and the Titletown Model Railroad Show in Green Bay.

**Memberships**

We have over 300 members and donors who help support the railroad and museum. An individual membership is $50 per year, and a family membership is $120. The family membership level now includes a National Association of Reciprocal Museums (NARM) membership, providing free or reduced-price access to over 1,100 museums in North America. Member benefits also include free rides on regularly scheduled trains all year, a regular newsletter, invitations to special events and a 10% discount in the gift shop. You can sign up to be a member on our website using this link: <https://www.easttroyrr.org/membership.html>

**Business and Corporate Sponsorships**

Become a sponsor of the East Troy Railroad Museum and receive multiple benefits in addition to helping to support a worthy non-profit seeking to preserve the railroad history of Wisconsin and America. Sponsors receive blocks of free tickets, advertising on our website, and recognition in our newsletters and brochures.

 

**Regular Schedules - 2020**

**Fridays, Sundays and Holidays**

 *May 29 to September 11*

Eastbound, Departs from the East Troy Depot:

 10:00 a.m.

 12:00 p.m.

 2:00 p.m.

Westbound, Departs from Indianhead Park in Mukwonago:

 10:40 a.m.

 12:40 p.m. (last round trip)

 2:40 p.m.

Westbound, Departs from the Elegant Farmer Depot:

 11:00 a.m.

 1:00 p.m. (last round trip)

 3:00 p.m.

**Saturdays**

 *April 25 to September 5*

Eastbound, Departs from the East Troy Depot:

 10:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.

11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.

12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.

Westbound, Departs from Indianhead Park in Mukwonago:

10:40 a.m. 1:40 p.m. (last round trip)

11:40 a.m. 2:40 p.m.

 12:40 p.m. 3:40 p.m.

Westbound, Departs from the Elegant Farmer Depot:

 11:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. (last round trip)

12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m.

 1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.

*\*\* Note that tickets are good all day for unlimited rides -- we do not sell one-way tickets\*\**

*Reservations* ***are******required*** *for special event trains, like the Dinner Trains, Beer Tasting Trains, Bunny Trains and Christmas Trains and Harvest-Fest Trains.*

*We do not take advanced reservations for our regular weekend train rides.*

 

**Statistics and Improvements**

**2019 Ridership Statistics**

* 13,119 regular fare tickets were sold
* 1,463 meals were served on the Dinner Trains, Picnic Trains and Special Trains
* 1,847 people hopped aboard our Bunny Trains
* 5,265 people rode our Christmas Trains
* Overall ridership was 23,508.

**Track Maintenance and Improvements**

* The ETRM owns and maintains 7.5 miles of track between East Troy and Mukwonago
* Over 1,000 ties were replaced in 2018 and the track was tamped and leveled
* Ten new overhead poles were installed along the line in 2019
* Brush was cut along the line to improve views for riders and to offer better visibility

**New Restorations Underway**

* We recently announced plans to restore two more historic interurban cars to service. *Chicago, North Shore & Milwaukee Car 761* and *Chicago, South Shore and South Bend Car 6* have been awaiting restoration for many years. Now work is underway on both cars and significant progress has already been made. Depending on fundraising success and volunteer availability, both cars could be back in service by the end of 2020 or in early 2021. Please consider making a donation to support efforts to restore these cars by sending a check to the East Troy Railroad Museum, Cars 6 and 761 Restoration, P.O. Box 943, East Troy, WI 53120. You may also visit our Charity.GoFundMe page to make a donation:

 charity.gofundme.com/ss-car-6-and-ns-car-761-restoration

**Milwaukee Streetcar #846**

* Car 846 is one of only five existing Milwaukee streetcars, and one of only two that still operate. In 2017 we had the trucks on the car rebuilt, and new wheels were installed, allowing the streetcar to return to the rails for many more years.