

ASSOCIATION OF RAILWAY ENTHUSIASTS

BALLARAT TRAM TOUR



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The Association invites you to participate in our very last Local Tour Activity, a Commemorative Tour to Ballarat Trams on **Saturday 6th May** using regular V/Line Trains.

The very first ARE activity occurred on Sunday 23 July 1961, when an ARE Group travelled on the Regular V.R. Sunday Excursion Trains to and from Ballarat, to travel on a Chartered Tram Tour of the then SEC Tramway System using Cars 21 & 32.

So, we felt that it would be fitting to recreate this activity as best is possible today, by visiting the current Ballarat Tramway Museum operation and having a Tram Ride (or two!).

Here, then are the details.

Saturday 6th May.

The Group will travel on the 1014 Southern Cross to Wendouree Vlocity, due Wendouree at 1151.

Please book and pay for your own VLine tickets. We can then transfer to the local Route 10 Bus (due 1206 for the short 5 Bus Stops journey down Gillies St to the Ballarat Tramway Museum Depot and Museum. If desired you can walk the 1500 metres distance.

At the BTM Depot/Museum a light lunch will be provided, included in your Tram Ride fare (please indicate any dietary requirements on the Booking Form).

After lunch tram rides can be enjoyed, whilst inspection of the recently opened BTMS Museum will be available. Apart from traditional SEC Trams, the Museum Collection also currently includes Launceston No. 14, Geelong No. 2, and VR No. 41.

As a token of appreciation to our loyal Members who have supported us through to now, we are offering current ARE Members Free Travel on the Ballarat Tram section of this Tour, and Members can bring along one Guest also for free! **For travel between Melbourne and Wendouree, (and on the local Bus) normal Myki Fares apply, (Wendouree is in Zone 8, Concession Daily fare from Melbourne \$15.96, double for Full Fare)**

For the return journey, the bus passes the Depot at 1441 or 1602 with travel then on the 1514 or 1614 trains from Wendouree, due Southern Cross 1648 or 1748.

Bookings can be made either by Mail on the within Booking Form in the time -honoured way, or by E-Mail. If booking by Mail, a self stamped addressed envelope would be appreciated so that final details can be forwarded to you around one week prior to the Tour. If booking by E Mail, the final details will be e-mailed to you in the week leading up to the tour.

If E- Mailing your bookings, you can either fill in the booking form and scan it into an E Mail, or include the relevant information into the body of the E Mail. Additional Bookings in addition to the Member & Guest free travel arrangement are welcome.

Enquiries - John Turner, Organiser (Telephone 0408 053 948) or jh_turner@hotmail.com
Graeme Cleak, Booking Officer, (Telephone 0438 074401) or gcleak@optusnet.com.au

Booking Form

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ARE Tours,
P.O. Box 312,
NUNAWADING VIC 3131.

Or E Mail to
gcleak@optusnet.com.au

Please Reserve the following Bookings;

..... Member Free Travel

..... Members Guest Free Travel.

.....Adults. @. \$15 \$

.....Children @. \$8 \$

Total Remittance (if applicable). \$.....

Name..... ARE Member No.

Name of Guest.....

Names of Other Passengers.....

Address.....

E Mail Details.....

Phone.....

Credit Card Details (if applicable) Numbers.....

Expiry Date..... Name on Card.....

Please list any Dietary Requirements for any members of your party.

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