

Autauga Northern Railroad Excursion November 10-11, 2018

Join us for the 2018 Motorcar Excursion on the Autauga Northern Railroad. It will be a beautiful fall ride along the rails of this ex-GM&O Railroad line between Prattville and Maplesville, Alabama.

Saturday, November 10th

There will be a safety meeting at 7:30am CST at the old GM&O Railroad Depot on Upper Kingston Highway. The depot's address is 343 Walnut St., Prattville. **Everyone must be present and attentive.** There will be a northbound train to Maplesville due around 8:00am and after it goes by we will begin our set on. If possible, please have inspection forms filled out in advance. These forms will also be available at the set on. All release forms will be available and must be signed at the set on. Please do not set cars on the track until you have permission from the excursion coordinator or a designated representative. Once set on is complete, we will depart Prattville (MP 168) for Maplesville (MP 130), stopping in Billingsley (MP 145), for a bathroom break. There may be an additional stop in one of three sidings to allow the southbound train to pass. We will then continue on to Maplesville where we will eat lunch at a local restaurant. After lunch, we will head back to Prattville, with a bathroom break again in Billingsley. Once back in Prattville, we will tie our cars down for the night. Total roundtrip miles for the day, 75.

We hope everyone will join us for dinner Saturday evening around 6:00pm at Fantails Restaurant in Millbrook. It is located just across I-65 from Prattville. (2060 Downing St., Millbrook, AL.) It is a buffet style seafood restaurant and the food is great! Cost \$16.00 per person.

Sunday, November 11th

The safety briefing will begin at 7:30am. Everyone must be present and attentive. After the briefing we will run south 5 more miles into Prattville and across the GM&O bridge over Main St. to the rail yard in Prattville where there will be a restroom break. We will then turn our cars and head back north. We will go past our set on point and run to Billingsley where we will turn our cars. The goal is to be back in Prattville by noon. Total roundtrip miles for the day, 50.

Parking, Fuel & Restroom

There is ample parking for vehicles, trailers and motor homes behind the ball fields at Bell Park, adjacent to the tracks. There is a gas station across the street from the set on location. Toilet facilities will be available at the set on location, and in Billingsley and Maplesville.

Directions to Set On

From I-65, take exit 179, then head west on Cobbs Ford Rd. (State Hwy 6), which becomes E Main St., then W. Main St. West Main makes a hard right hand curve and

becomes South Court St. From South Court St. veer left onto Upper Kingston Rd. It's about 200 yards to the tracks.

Safety

All NARCOA rules apply. Safety vests, over the ankle rugged soled shoes or boots (**no tennis shoes**), and long pants must be worn while on RR property, including during the set on and set off. Safety glasses must be worn while riding in motorcars. There will be train activity all day Saturday. When trains are passing, please be inside your speeder, or if outside, be on the opposite side from the train. We will travel at restricted speed for the entire run.

Radios

Radios are not required, but are recommended. Narrow-band radios only. Radio Channel is AAR Channel 25 (160.485). Our backup channel will be NARCOA 2.

Hotels

There are plenty of hotels in Prattville/Millbrook area. I have arranged for a block of rooms at the Prattville/Millbrook Sleep Inn. The room rate is \$75 per night. Please let them know you are with NARCOA. You must call the hotel directly to receive this rate. The number is 334-532-0500. The address is 2295 Cobbs Ford Rd. Millbrook, AL 36054. November is football season, so please reserve your room ASAP if you plan to ride.

Registration Details

There will be a 25-car limit. Please fill out the registration form below and mail it with a check for \$150.00, made payable to Chris Thompson. No refunds will be issued after October 10th, unless your spot can be filled.

Thanks

Thanks in advance for your safe participation on the Autauga Northern Railroad excursion. Please have a safe trip to Prattville and feel free to contact Jonathan or me with any questions or concerns.

E.C. Chris Thompson and E.C. Jonathan Blair

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Mail Registration Form and Check to:

**Chris Thompson
299 Hannah Chase Way
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Registration Form

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Email: _____

Primary Operator Certification No: _____ 2018 Insurance # 18- _____

Secondary Operator Certification No: _____ 2018 Insurance # 18- _____

Type Motorcar: _____ RR & Car # _____ Hi-rail: _____

Number of Passengers including operator: _____ RR Radio: _____ yes _____ no

Complete Registration Form and mail with check or money order for \$150 payable to Chris Thompson to:

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SORRY, NO REFUNDS AFTER OCTOBER 10th UNLESS YOUR SPOT CAN BE FILLED.

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