

# The Hiwassee Loop + TVRM Sunday and Monday, April 7-8, 2024

## Sunday - Etowah, TN to Copperhill, TN



**Notice-** The railroad has maintenance to be performed on the Loop bridge before their season starts. **This may cause this run to be cancelled.** They will advise by Monday, March 24th, which is ample time to cancel travel plans and reservations.

Sunday's run begins just southeast of Etowah, TN, on the Tennessee Valley Railroad Museum's Hiwassee River Railroad (ex-L&N Old Line), following the scenic Hiwassee River into the Hiwassee Gorge. Passing the powerhouse at Reliance, the line continues upriver several miles.

After Appalachia siding, we will climb 426 feet using the famous 8,000-foot-long Hiwassee Loop. The Loop makes 1-3/4 turns around Bald Mountain, keeping the grade below 2%. At points, multiple levels of track are visible. There is a good view of the Apalachia Dam in North Carolina which supplies water to the powerhouse.

From the community of Farner at the top of the grade, we will travel south through the countryside to the joint cities of Copperhill, Tennessee and McCaysville, Georgia, located beside the Ocoee / Toccoa River (the name changes at the state line).

This will be our Lunch Stop and Turnaround. Food choices include Pizza, Deli, BBQ, Mexican and more.

Sunday: Roundtrip miles: 86    Cost: \$95.00    35 Car Maximum

## **Monday - Tennessee Valley Railroad Museum 4119 Cromwell Rd Chattanooga, TN**



Monday's run is an optional, extra cost visit to the Tennessee Valley Railroad Museum's operation in Chattanooga ([www.tvrail.com](http://www.tvrail.com)). We will set on at Grand Junction, the museum's depot. From there we will cross Chickamauga Creek and then CSX. We pass through the pre-Civil War (1856-1858) tunnel under Missionary Ridge, arriving at the TVRM shops to turn on the turntable. We will make a visit to the shop area (bring your camera). We should get off the track around Noon.

Monday: Roundtrip miles: 6    Cost: \$35.00    25 Car Maximum

This is a SERO Affiliate run. All NARCOA rules will apply. Reflectorized safety vests and A-car side safety chains required. No mentoring. No passenger trailers. Hard-sole shoes are required for operators and passengers. You must have 2023 NARCOA Insurance.

To reserve a slot on the run, I will accept email and phone calls. (This run fills up too quickly for snail mail). You **MUST** send full payment within TWO weeks or your reservation will be cancelled.

There will be a Wait List. No refunds after March 29th, 2024 unless a wait list person fills the slot. Emergency situations will be considered.

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Registration

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Operator Rules No: \_\_\_\_\_ 2024 Ins. No: 24-\_\_\_\_\_

2nd Operator? Name \_\_\_\_\_

Rules No: \_\_\_\_\_ 2024 Ins. No: 24-\_\_\_\_\_

Put on Wait List? \_\_\_\_\_ (If Yes, send payment with registration)

Hy-rail? \_\_\_\_\_ Motorcar Type if bigger than an MT14 \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Passengers including operator: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sunday only: \$95, Sunday and Monday: \$130 (No Monday only rides)**

Please make check for \$95 or \$130 payable to William Delmar and mail to:

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You can also pay with Zelle to bdelmar.mt19@gmail.com.

You can fill out the registration and email it to me.

You must still do this within two weeks of signing up.