## The Hiwassee Loop + TVRM Sunday and Monday, May 4-5, 2025

#### Sunday - Etowah, TN to Copperhill, TN



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 <u>optional</u>, <u>extra cost</u> visit to the Tennessee Valley Railroad Museum's operation in Chattanooga (www.tvrail.com). We will set on at Grand Junction, the museum's depot. From there we will cross Chickamauga Creek and then CSX RR. 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. <u>Hardsole shoes are required for operators and passengers</u>. You must have 2025 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 <u>TWO weeks</u> or your reservation will be cancelled.

There will be a Wait List. No refunds after April 18th, 2025 unless a wait list person fills the slot. Emergency situations will be considered.

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### Registration

Name:		<del></del>
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	
E-Mail Address:		
Primary Operator Rules No:		2025 Ins. No: 25
2nd Operator? Name		
Rules No:		2025 Ins. No: 25
Put on Wait List? (If Yes,	, send paymen	t with registration)
Hy-rail? Motorcar Typ	e if bigger tha	n an MT14
Number of Passengers including o	perator:	_
Sunday only: \$95, Sunday and M	Monday: \$13	0 (No Monday only rides)
Please make check for \$95 or \$13	<b>0</b> payable to <u>W</u>	/illiam Delmar and mail to:
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You can also pay with Zelle to bdelmar.mt19@gmail.com. Fill out the registration and email it to me. You must still do this within two weeks of signing up.