

Geelong & South Western Rail Heritage Society Inc.

**Christmas in July Rail and Lunch Tour –
Saturday 29 July 2017**

BOOKING FORM

The Booking Officer Date: ____/____/2017
Christmas in July Lunch
PO Box 1953, Geelong 3220

Please find set out below my booking requirements for the above tour.

_____ **Adults** @ \$144.00 ea. \$ _____
_____ **Concession** @ \$139.00 ea. \$ _____
_____ **Child u/16** @ \$130.00 ea. \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Payment may be made directly into our bank account over the counter or by internet banking. **Bendigo Bank: BSB 633 108, account number: 130308083** (Please identify your payment as **“Christmas Lunch”** and include the surname of the person making the booking). Make cheques/money orders payable to **Geelong & South Western Rail Heritage Society Inc.**

Payment may also be made by **Mastercard** or **VISA** (Tick card type). **It will be processed to show the transaction as “Leaf and Stone”.**

Full name of Cardholder: _____
Card Type: MasterCard VISA
16 digit Credit Card Number:
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Expiry Date: _____
Cardholder Signature: _____

(In order to process your payment, we also require the three digit number from the rear of your credit card. Please write it here _____, or if you are reluctant to do so for security reasons, please bring the card with you on the day so that we may record it then. Your credit card details will be destroyed after we process the payment).

Name of person making booking: _____

Address: _____

_____ Postcode: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Names of others in party (Show age if U/16): _____

Any special dietary requirements? _____

I will be joining the tour at:
 Southern Cross Newport Lara
 North Shore Geelong

Please confirm booking by email or enclose a business-sized (DL) stamped self-addressed envelope for details to be posted to you.

Signed: _____ Date: ____/____/2017

**Geelong & South Western
Rail Heritage Society Inc.**



Christmas in July
**Heritage Train Ride
and Lunch**



Join us for a day of heritage train travel, open fires and warming food, as we celebrate Christmas in July at the historic Birregurra Railway Station.

Saturday, 29 July 2017

THE historic Birregurra Railway Station was constructed of Portarlington brick in 1877, with brick extensions added around 1890. It has a veranda along the passenger platform supported by cast iron posts, French doors and open fire places. Restoration works have been carried out over the past two decades and are ongoing.

Travel there and back by 1930 vintage Diesel Electric Rail Motor (DERM) from Melbourne or Geelong and enjoy around four hours at Birregurra Station. Relax in front of warming open fires whilst you enjoy a two course hot lunch with drinks.

Tour Details

The DERM is expected to depart from Southern Cross station at 9.30am, picking up at Newport beforehand (8.45am), Lara and North Shore (if required), and Geelong at 10.50am.

Enjoy cruising through the pleasant countryside surrounded by the polished interior woodwork and the sound of a quaint 85 year old rail motor humming its way back in time to Birregurra, arriving there at midday.

You will be welcomed into the historic station building with a complimentary drink and warming open fire. During your four hour stay, a hot roast dinner and dessert will be served. Additional drinks may be purchased from a cash bar at moderate prices.

At 4.00pm, we will board the DERM for a relaxing late afternoon ride home without having to be concerned about driving. Return to Geelong will be at 5.00pm with arrival at Southern Cross at 6.15pm. There will be set down stops at North Shore and Lara if required. Return to Newport will be at approximately 6.45pm.

You must advise if you wish to be picked up or set down at Newport , Lara or North Shore otherwise the DERM will only stop at Southern Cross and Geelong stations.

Please indicate on the Booking Form if you have any special dietary requirements.

Times

Anticipated times are: Southern Cross depart 9.30am (pick up at Lara or North Shore if requested), Geelong 10.50am and arrive Birregurra 12.00 noon. Return, depart Birregurra 4.00pm, Geelong 5.00pm (set down at North Shore and Lara if required) and arrive Southern Cross at 6.25pm. **Final times and platform numbers will be advised during the week prior to departure when bookings will be confirmed.**

Booking & Fares

Adult \$144, Concession \$139, Child \$130. (Fare includes rail travel, complimentary drink on arrival, two course meal and tea/coffee).

The same fare will apply from Geelong or other intermediate stations, due to the cost of hiring the DERM making a large proportion of the costs. However, those passengers are welcome to travel to Southern Cross by V/Line at their own cost and join the DERM there.

Bookings are to be made on the attached form and posted to the Booking Officer, Christmas in July Lunch, PO Box 1953, Geelong 3220, or by email to railexp@bigpond.com.

Final information will be forwarded during the week prior to departure, by email if you have indicated that option, or by mail. (Please enclose a stamped self-addressed DL size envelope with your booking if you wish to have information mailed to you).

Enquiries

Phone enquiries may be made to Michael Menzies on 0419 546 251, preferably between 7.00pm and 9.30pm weeknights.



Please complete remainder of this form on the reverse side.

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The primary activity of the Geelong and South Western Rail Heritage Society is the restoration and maintenance of the historic Birregurra Railway Station. Since 1995, Society members, supported by funding grants and employment training schemes, have made major repairs to the station building and continue to restore and maintain it and the station grounds. Open days and displays are held at the station.

Society members undertake research and record local rail history. Occasional bus trips are organised to view the remains of local rail lines.

MEMBERSHIP

New members are welcome to join and wider community support is sought.

Membership enquiries may be directed to:

**The Secretary,
Geelong & South Western
Rail Heritage Society Inc.
P.O. Box 1953, Geelong 3220**

Further information is available from the Society President, Michael Menzies on 0419 546 251, or railexp@bigpond.com.