

Excursion Railroads Nearby*

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Excursion Railroads and Modeling

- **Research for your era**
- **Operating on your layout**

*** Nearby is upto 6 hours drive time**

(Based on posted speed limit. Please drive safely)

Prices are full Adult, many offer discounts for seniors/military

Schedules may vary

Handout available with city and web address

South Carolina RR Museum

Town	From Columbia	From Greenville
Winnsboro, SC	:30	1:40
ga	Runs Saturdays thru the summer +Special trains \$17 for 40 min. round trip Cab rides available	



Great Smoky Mt Railroad

Town	From Columbia	From Greenville
Bryson City, TN	3:15	2:10
<p>\$58 for a 4:30 trip. 2-3 days a week thru the summer Model train museum free with ride ticket Steam and diesel power</p>		



North Carolina Transportation Museum

Town	From Columbia	From Greenville
Spencer, NC	2:05	2:15

\$12 Admission and train ride. \$6 Admission only.
Large inventory, authentic station and roundhouse
Tuesday-Sunday during the summer



Tweetsie Railroad

Town	From Columbia	From Greenville
Blowing Rock, NC	3:00	2:40

Open Thursday - Monday
Amusement Park-\$60 Daily, unlimited rides, steam
August 26-27 is Railroad Heritage Weekend



Blue Ridge Scenic Railway

Town	From Columbia	From Greenville
Blue Ridge, GA ga	4:20	3:00
4 hour, 26 mile round trip along the Toccoa River \$57 for 4 hour ride, limited schedule thru summer Diesel only		



New Hope Valley Railway

Town	From Columbia	From Greenville
New Hill, NC ga	3:20	3:50
Schedule is all over the map, check web page 4 mile ride, 1 hour Steam and diesel		



Big South Fork Scenic Railway

Town	From Columbia	From Greenville
Stearns, KY ga	5:30	4:10
3 hour round trip, 7 miles \$28 Logging and coal history		



Tennessee Valley Railway Museum

Town	From Columbia	From Greenville
Chattanooga, TN	4:45	4:15
ga	4 hour, Hiawassee Loop ride, \$34 90 min. Missionary ridge \$24 Everyday thru the summer	



SAM Shoreline

Town	From Columbia	From Greenville
Cordele, GA ga	4:00	4:15
Various Saturdays thru the year \$20 & \$40 rides Nov. 11 Cordele Railfan Festival		



Heart of Dixie Railroad Museum

Town	From Columbia	From Greenville
Calera, AL	5:25	4:40
ga		
Saturdays, \$15, 75 min. ride		



Honorable Mentions

<p>Tennessee Central Railway Museum</p>	<p>Nashville, TN</p>	<p>Over 6 hours from Columbia Specialty Trains: Wine, Polar Express, Train Robbery</p>
<p>Bluegrass Scenic Railroad and Museum</p>	<p>Versailles, KY</p>	<p>Almost 6 hours from Greenville Saturdays, 2/day</p>

End

Questions / Comments

NMRA Palmetto Division 2023 Summer Division Meeting

- 9:15 – Doors open for Registration, Swap Meet and Socializing**
- 9:30 – Call to Order and Review of Day’s Activities – Roger Liska**
- 9:35 – New Member Recognition – Roger Liska**
- 9:40 – Present Popular Models, Popular Photos & Tips/Techniques Contestants – Chuck Jenkins**
- 9:55 – Break**
- 10:05 – Benefits of Joining NMRA**
- 10:10 – Clinic – Nearby Excursion Railroads – Rich Lehman**
- 10:40 – Break**

Business Meeting

- 10:50 – Superintendent’s Report – Roger Liska**
- 10:55 - Treasurer’s Report – Myron Pensyl**
- 11:00 – Free Military Memberships Update – Ken Majchrzak**
- 11:05 – What’s On Your Wok Bench Update – Jack Varadi**
- 11:10 – Update on Planned Clinics**
- 11:15 – Division T-Trak Layout Update and Division hats and shirts – Dave Winans**
- 11:20 – AP Update – Howard Garner MMR**
- 11:25 – Local Model Club Updates**
- 11:30 - Amroc and it’s mission**
- 11:35 – Contest Winners, Railpass and Member Drawings – Chuck Jenkins**
- 11:45 – Meeting Adjourn**

AMROC Layout Tour – 11:45 to 12:45

Lunch at Lizards Thicket (818 Elmwood Ave, Columbia) or some other location – On your own

Layout Tour 1:45- 3:45 – Bob Pascoe’s N-scale Pennsylvania layout which is a 13’ x 6’ layout over his garage. He will also have a small 3’ x 5’ subway layout downstairs in the garage. Bob’s address is 341 Chelmsford Drive, Columbia. It is NE of Columbia