

2024 Feather River Rail Society Event Calendar

January

Museum Closed to the Public

- 1 New Year's Day
Director Nominations open for 2024 elections
Nominations go to Nomination and Election Committee
- 13 Board Meeting – 1 PM – WPRM, Portola
- 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 31 Director Nominations close for 2024 elections

February

Grounds Clean-up

Museum Closed to the Public

- 10 Board Meeting – 1 PM – WPRM, Portola
- 12 Election – Candidates Statements and Payments due
- 19 Washington's Birthday

March

Museum Closed to the Public

- 4 Election Withdrawal Deadline
- 9 Board Meeting – 1 PM – WPRM, Portola
- 10 Daylight Savings Time Starts
- 31 Easter
Train Sheet Deadline

April

Museum Closed to the Public

- 11-14 2024 Western Pacific Convention Oroville, CA
- 13 Board Meeting – 8:30 AM – Convention Oroville
- 15 Election Ballots mailed to membership by this date
- TBA WP 165 Steam Work Session

May

Museum Hours Starting 5/2 (see notes about hour / event changes):

Thur. and Fri. 12 Noon to 4 PM

Sat. and Sun. 10 AM to 5 PM

Train Operations begin Memorial Day Weekend

- 2 Museum Opens to Public
RAL Season Opens
- see note about hour / event changes
- 4 Operating Department Crew Training – 10 AM Portola, CA.
- 11 Board Meeting 1PM Portola, CA
Appoint Election Tellers
- 11-12 Facilities Work Party – 10 AM - 5 PM
- 12 Mother's Day
- TBA WP 165 Steam Work Session
- 25 Opening of Regular Operating Season – Train operations 11 AM to 2 PM
- 25 Holmes Celebration of Life (Norm and Barbara Holmes)(After museum closing)
- 26 Train operations 11 AM to 2 PM
- 27 Memorial Day – Museum Open 10 AM to 5 PM
Train operations – Train ops 11 AM to 2 PM
- 31 Ballot Return Deadline – 5 PM

June

Museum Hours (see notes about hour changes):

Thur. and Fri. 12 Noon to 4 PM

Sat. and Sun. 10 AM to 5 PM

Train Operations:

Sat. & Sun. 11 AM to 2 PM

- 8 Open Cab Day 10 AM to 5 PM
Members Dinner – 5:30 PM
Board Meeting and Annual Membership Meeting – 7:00 PM WPRM, Portola
Election Results
- 9 Open Cab Day 10 AM to 5 PM
- 15 Lost and Found Gravel Grinder Bike Race in Plumas County
- 16 Father's Day
- 30 Train Sheet Deadline

July

Museum Hours (see notes about hour changes):
Thur. and Fri. 12 Noon to 4 PM
Sat. and Sun. 10 AM to 5 PM
Train Operations:
Sat. & Sun. 11 AM to 2 PM

- 4 Independence Day – 10 AM to 5 PM (No train operations)
- 5 Museum Hours - 10 AM to 5 PM (No train operations)
- 10 UP Big Boy 4014 Celebration (Museum open 9 – 6)
- 13 Board Meeting – 4:30 PM – WPRM, Portola
Installation of New Board

August

Museum Hours (see notes about hour changes):
Thur. and Fri. 12 Noon to 4 PM
Sat. and Sun. 10 AM to 5 PM
Train Operations:
Sat. & Sun. 11 AM to 2 PM

- 4-11 Hot August Nights – Reno
- 10 Board Meeting – 4:30 PM – WPRM, Portola
Appointment of Committees & Officers

September

Museum Hours (see notes about hour changes):
Thur. and Fri. 12 Noon to 4 PM
Sat. and Sun. 10 AM to 5 PM
Labor Day 10 AM to 5 PM
Train Operations:
Sat. 8/31/24 11 AM to 2 PM
Sun. 9/1/24 11 AM to 2 PM
Mon. 9/2/24 11 AM to 2 PM
Sat. 9/28/24 11 AM to 4 PM

- 2 Labor Day - Museum Open 10 AM to 5 PM
Last Day of Operating Season
Train Rides 11 AM to 2 PM
- 14 Board Meeting – 1:00 PM – WPRM, Portola
Calendar Review
Budget Notice to all Departments (Revised Budget Requests)
- 28 2024 Portola Railroad Days – Caboose Trains
- 30 Train Sheet Deadline

October

Museum Hours through 10/6 (see notes about hour changes):

Sun. 10/6, 10 AM to 4 PM

After 10/6, Museum Closed except for Special Events

- 6 Last Day Museum Open for 2024 Season

- 12 Board Meeting – 1:00 PM – WPRM, Portola
Budget Deadline
RAL Season Closes

- 19-20 Pumpkin Patch Express – open: 10 AM - 6 PM, trains: 1 PM - 5 PM departures
Evening trains on Saturday 7 PM – 9 PM departures

- 26-27 Pumpkin Patch Express – open: 10 AM - 6 PM, trains: 1 PM - 5 PM departures
Evening trains on Saturday 7 PM – 9 PM departures

- 31 Halloween

November Winter Prep Museum Closed to the Public

- 3 Daylight Savings Time ends

- 9 Board Meeting – 1 PM – WPRM, Portola

- 11 Veterans Day

- 28 Thanksgiving

December Santa Trains Museum Closed except for Special Events

- 6 Portola City Tree Lighting - Main Park, Portola

- 7 Santa Trains – Gates open at 4 PM, trains begin 5 PM

- 13-14 Santa Trains – Gates open at 4 PM, trains begin 5 PM

- 14 Board Meeting – 1 PM – WPRM, Portola

- 20-21 Santa Trains – Gates open at 4 PM, trains begin 5 PM

- 25 Christmas

- 31 Train Sheet Deadline / New Year's Eve

NOTE: All events and hours are subject to change due to weather, public health and volunteer conditions. In particular, special events in October and December are WEATHER PERMITTING, as are Run-A-Locomotive availability. If you have a question about operations when weather is questionable, please call 530-832-4131 for the latest information.

APPENDIX: Train Schedule 2024

Weekend Train Schedule
11:00
11:30
12:00
13:00
13:30
14:00

Revision History:

DRAFT 11-3-23 kdc

DRAFT 11-8-23 ejv

DRAFT 11-13-23 ejv

DRAFT 11-17-23 kcd, pf, ejv

DRAFT 11-18-23 pf

DRAFT RELEASED 11-19-23 ejv

11-20-23 Corrected Election – Candidates Statements and Payments due from 2/13/23 to 2/12/23 – pf

Approved with changes 12-9-2023 – Removed Volunteer Breakfast, Added Holmes Celebration of Life -dc

02-13-24 – Updated summer caboose train times to be 11-2 – pf

03-04-24 – Added “Open Cabs Days” for June 7 & 8, 2024 - pf

03-04-24 – Corrected “Open Cabs Days” for June 8 & 9, 2024 -pf

05-24-24 – Added Big Boy Celebration July 10, 2024 -pf

06-03-24 – Updated June BOD meeting time to 7 PM combined with Members Meeting – pf

08-09-24 – Added 9/28/24 2024 Portola Railroad Days WP 165 Steam Operations – pf

08-14/24 – Changed 9/28/24 2024 Portola Railroad Days to Caboose Trains – pf