



Downpatrick & County Down Railway Society

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Steam Back for May Day

There's another chance to catch the steam train at the Downpatrick & County Down Railway this May Day, Monday 29th May.

For the first time, trains will be running on this month's second May Day bank holiday.

Railway chairman, Michael Collins, explains: "Essentially we're running on the second May Day because our passengers were asking us to".

He continues, "We didn't use to run on any May Day, but people want somewhere to go on a public holiday, and they seem to love the vintage train!"

Mr Collins says that if anyone wants to see the behind-the-scenes work that goes on to make the trains run, guided tour of the workshops will be given - just ask a member of staff.

"And if you want to keep the children entertained while you wait for the the train, "Thomas the Tank Engine" model railway will be back as usual," adds Mr. Collins.

Refreshments, at highly competitive rates, will be served all day onboard the buffet carriage parked at the station - perfect for warming up after coming back from Inch Abbey.

Trains run 1.40pm till 5pm and you can board at either Downpatrick or Inch Abbey Station. Single and return tickets to Inch Abbey are available, and cost £4.50 adult return, £3.50 single; children and senior citizens £3.50 return, and £2.50 single.

Don't forget that children aged three years old or below go free, and there's no need to book.

For train times, log on to the website at www.downrail.co.uk, or for further information telephone 077 9080 2049.