



Downpatrick Rail way Museum

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Press Release

Egg-citing Fun for all at the Railway

There'll be eggs-travagant fun at the Downpatrick Railway Museum with free eggs galore on this year's Easter Eggspress, on April 11th and 12th.

The steam train will be used for excursions from the town centre from 2pm till 5pm, along the restored portion of the old Belfast and County Down railway. Once the train gets to the old Loop Platform, it's 'everyone off' to find the Easter Eggs.

Railway Museum Chairman, Michael Collins, said, "Once the children have tracked down where the eggs are hidden, each of them will receive their bounty on production of a valid ticket."

He continues, "As well as fun for the children, mums and dads also get the chance to experience rail travel at its most traditional, with commentary on-board telling the story of the railways in Ireland.

"After returning to the station, a tour of the workshops and the behind-the-scenes work of the project will be given."

The station houses a unique collection of photographs depicting the Belfast and County Down Railway, as well as the early days of the Downpatrick Railway Museum.

Volunteer Robert Gardiner added, "There's also a model "*Thomas the Tank Engine*" layout that'll keep the kids entertained."

Refreshments will be served all day onboard a buffet carriage at the Loop Platform, and car parking is free

Tickets cost £4.50 adults, £3.70 children (including egg), £3.50 senior citizens, and a family ticket costs £15.50. Children aged three years old or below go free - there's no need to book and a ticket lasts all day.

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