

Would YOU like to work on the Railroad?

Join our Operating Department!

- Paul Finnegan, Crew Caller

The museum operates trains every weekend between Memorial Day and Labor Day. We also run our Pumpkin Express in October, Santa Trains in December and special event trains. If you have always wanted to have a taste of "working on the railroad", such as connecting air hoses, giving hand signals to the engineer and pulling pins on couplers, then this is your opportunity.



FRRS members (active and above) who would like to participate in the museum's train operating crews are required first to take a rules examination, sign a liability release and then to be instructed in safe operating procedures.

Two crew-training classes are scheduled for 2022. They are scheduled for Saturday, April 9th and Saturday, June 11th, starting at 10 am at the museum in Portola. You need only attend one day of training. Please use the "Join our Operating Department" link on the museum's home web page to register for the class day of your choice. Rule exams are available online after you register for class.



Get Onboard and Come Join Us for the Annual Members' Dinner & Meeting at the Museum on June 11th, 2022!

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Upcoming Events!

- April 9 Operations Crew Training – 10:00 AM
- Board Meeting – 1:00 PM – WPRM, Portola
- April 14 Museum Opens to Public
- April 18-24 Steam Department Work Session
- May 9-14 Steam Department Work Session
- May 12-15 2022 Western Pacific Railroad Historical Convention – Reno, NV
- May 14 Board Meeting – 9:00 AM – WP Convention, Reno
- May 15 Museum Closed to the public and non-working members – Convention Special Event: First official steam operations Western Pacific 0-6-0 165
- May 21 Railroad Photography Workshop
- May 28 Opening of Operating Season – Train operations 11:30 AM – 3:00 PM
- May 29 Train ops 11:30 AM – 3:00 PM
- May 30 Memorial Day – Museum Open 10 AM to 5 PM - Train ops 11:30 AM – 2:00 PM
- June 4 Lost and Found Gravel Grinder Bike Race in Plumas County
- June 11 Operating Department Second 2022 Crew Training – 10 AM
- Board Meeting – 3 PM – WPRM, Portola
- Members Dinner – 5:30 PM
- Annual Membership Meeting – 7 PM
- July 4 Independence Day – Museum Open 10 - 5
- Train Operations 11:30 AM – 2 PM
- July 9 Board Meeting – 4:30 PM – WPRM, Portola
- Installation of New Board
- August 13 Board Meeting – 4:30 PM – WPRM, Portola

