



Railway Days Activity Guide

Saturday, September 14 & Sunday, September 15

SOME ACTIVITIES ARE WEATHER DEPENDENT.
ACTIVITIES SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND/OR CANCELLATION.

Demonstrations and Displays

Sat. & Sun.
10 a.m.–5
p.m.



Rail Pavilion Model Rail Displays & More

#38 | **Canmore Opera House**
#59 | **Burns' Barn**
#54 | **Railway Roundhouse**
#10 | **Innovation Crossing**
#32 | **Upper Wainwright Hotel**

#7 | **Famous 5 House**
See the exciting model displays from local train clubs located throughout the Park.

Sat. & Sun
3 p.m.



Water Tower Demonstration

#8 | **Railway Water Tower**
Discover how steam locomotives refilled water at the Railway Water Tower, a key task in the steam era.

Sat. & Sun.
1:45 p.m.



Home Remedies

#39 | **Cottage Hospital**
See our interpreter prepare old-fashioned remedies from home “receipts”.

Sat. & Sun.
Throughout
the day



Hooping Demonstration

#8 | **Midnapore Station**
Come and see how telegraph operators passed train orders and messages to train crews without stopping the train!

Sat. & Sun.
2 pm



Indigenous Games

#64 | **First Nations Encampment**
Learn how life skills were taught by playing traditional Indigenous games.

CPKC

A heartfelt thank you to CPKC for their generous sponsorship of Railway Days. Your support helps us keep history on track!

Demonstrations and Displays

Sat. & Sun.
10:30 -
11:30 a.m.



Double-Headed Steam Train
#54 | **Railway Roundhouse**
Marvel at two steam locomotives working together to pull historic passenger cars along the Park's scenic tracks.

Sat. & Sun.
10 a.m.–5
p.m.



Lego Displays
#10 | **Innovation Crossing**
Explore intricate Lego builds of Heritage Park's iconic exhibits, like the Wainwright Hotel, Prince House and more!

Sat. & Sun.
10 a.m. -
5 p.m.



Fairmont Motor Car
#54 | **Railway Roundhouse**
Watch this small speeder car zip around the tracks and discover more about its history. Demonstrations follow the double header on the main track.

Sat. & Sun.
11:30 a.m. &
12:30 p.m.



Turntable Demonstration
#54 | **Behind Railway Roundhouse**
Don't miss this rare chance to see our 1907 turntable in action with our Steam Train. Only during Railway Days!

Hands on Activities

Sat. & Sun.
10:30 a.m.–
11:30 a.m.



Railway Garden Games
#8 | **Midnapore Station**
Join the fun with garden games and grab Hollyhock seeds to start your own Railway Garden at home!

Sat. & Sun.
Throughout
the day



Hobo Camp
#8 | **Starts at Midnapore Station**
Explore the Hobo Camp, discover their origins, learn their secret language and search for it in the Village!

Sat. & Sun.
11 a.m.–
4 p.m.



Handcar Rides
#56 | **Near Railway Car Shop**
Try a handcar and experience the thrill of manually operating this historic railway maintenance vehicle.
**Guests under five may ride only for photos.*

Sat. & Sun.
11:50 a.m.–
12:20 p.m.



#2023 Engine Cab Tours
#54 | **Behind Railway Roundhouse**
Experience the engine cab from a conductor's perspective and maybe even blow the train whistle!

Sat. & Sun.
11 am &
3:30 p.m.



Will it Pan Out?
#11 | **Prospector's Tent**
Join our seasoned Prospector as you pan for treasure! Hear stories of the gold rush and what it took to "strike it rich."

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Caboose Rides (Ticket Required)
#45 | **Town Hall**
Walk-up tickets for sale at Town Hall while supplies last. Pre-purchased tickets can be picked up at admissions.

Hands On Activities

Sat. & Sun.
10 a.m.–
5 p.m.



Junction Jamboree

#52 | **Shepard Station**
Your one-stop for all things rail! Send a telegram, shop products, explore railway reads, and more!

Sat. & Sun.
10 a.m.–
4 p.m.



Slinging Lightnin'

#7 | Miller's Cabin
#8 | Midnapore Station
#62 | **Laggan Station**
#52 | **Shepard Station**
Learn telegraphy and send your own telegram with help from our volunteers, reaching the Park and three Alberta locations!

Sat.
11:45 a.m. &
2 p.m.



Butter Making

#61 | **Nightingale Colony House**
Ever wonder how butter is made? Help us make some the 1910 way!

Put today's admission toward an Annual Membership.



Scan the code for our food and drink venues.



Check out all our upcoming events!

Railway Days Quilt Raffle

Heritage Park Morse Telegraph Club is selling raffle tickets for a handmade quilt featuring Morse code signals. Tickets are \$10 for 3 or \$5 each, available at telegraphy locations. Draw is after Calgary's SUPERTRAIN show in April 2025.

Kids' Railway Challenge

Complete four railway-themed challenges: visit hobos, sling lightning, check out model railways, and train as a conductor. Drop your completed ticket at the Midnapore Info Booth #8 to enter the draw for a prize pack.



Scan the code to sign up for our newsletter.



Scan the code for boat, train and wagon ride schedules.

Performances

Sat. & Sun.
1:30 p.m.



On Track: A Look at How Railways Work

#59 | **Burns' Barn**
Local historian Doug Coats explains railway workings in his video presentation.

Sat. 2 p.m.
& 3:30 p.m.
Sun. 11 a.m.
1, 2:30 &
4 p.m.

Train Songs with Barry Luft

#8 | Outside Midnapore Station
Enjoy folk-style music rooted in Alberta's history.

Performances

Sat. & Sun: Mail Order Bride – Village Square and Ranch & Farm Life

Characters navigate the marriage market in a small pioneer town culminating in an unexpected wedding.



Love's Whirlwind

#33 | Post Office

10:30 a.m.

Home Sweet Home

#58 | Burnside Ranch

House – 11 a.m.

The Etiquette Test

#41 | Weedon School

Yard – 11:30 a.m.

The Wedding

#26 | Prince House

Lawn – Noon

Sat. & Sun: The Perplexing Prairies – Village Square

A street-scene story about the trials and tribulations of a Jewish immigrant attempting to get a foothold here in the West ca. 1910.



A Wondrous Welcome

#36 | Rectory

2:30 p.m.

Taking Out the Wash

#49 | Wing Chong

Laundry – 3 p.m.

Dr. J.D. Montgomery's
Majestically Marvelous
Miracle Tonic

#32 | Hotel front steps

3:30 p.m.

Rendezvous at the
Synagogue

#25 | Outside the
Synagogue – 4 p.m.

Guided Tours

Tours
offered vary
by day

Run time
20-30 min



Daily Guided Tours

#8 | Midnapore

Information Booth

Join a free guided tour!

Explore topics like women's work in 1910, Alberta's resource history, Heritage Park's development, or get a 'Welcome to Town' tour for newcomers.

Sun. 12:30
p.m.

Run time
15-20 min



On Patrol with the Mountie

#40 | Meet at Banff Barracks

Explore the RNWMP's 1910 duties and community interactions on this walking tour.

Tractor-Drawn Wagon Rides

Hop on and off at pickup points around the Park, starting at 10 am

Prairie Wagon Rides [Horse-Drawn]

Enjoy a scenic tour of the Historical Village – 11 am–4 pm. Departs across from Town Hall

Sun.
1:30 p.m.
Run time
15-20 min



Explore The Settlement with the Mountie

#70 | Meet at Berry Creek Barracks

Join the Mountie on patrol and explore Heritage Park's Settlement sites.



Heritage
Plaza



Resource
Ridge



Antique
Midway



Village
Square



Heritage
Rail Yard



Ranch &
Farm Life



First
Nations
Encampment



The
Settlement

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