

OPEN DAYS

Weekends, Wednesdays & Bank Holidays
Excluding 5th, 6th & 13th Sept, 23rd, 26th, 27th & 30th Dec

ADMISSION PRICES 2026

	Museum Day	Event Day	Special Event	Day out with Thomas™
Adult	£8.50	£11.50	£13.50	£19.00 + Booking Fee
Child	£4.50	£8.50	£9.50	£15.00 + Booking Fee

Well-behaved dogs on leads are welcome at no charge.

Help us to continue preserving the past for future generations and GiftAid your admission if you can.

Tickets can be purchased in advance from our website - some events require pre-booking. See www.earm.co.uk for details.

If you require step-free access to the Museum, please consult our reception staff on arrival for driving directions to the alternative entrance.

HOW TO FIND US BY CAR & BY TRAIN

We are at Chappel & Wakes Colne, about 8 miles from Colchester on the A1124, CO6 2DS. Regular Greater Anglia trains also run to the Museum from Marks Tey and Sudbury.



EAST ANGLIAN RAILWAY MUSEUM

Chappel Station, Station Road

Chappel, Near Colchester, Essex, CO6 2DS
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Registered Charity Number 1001579

2026 WHAT'S ON



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OPENING TIMES

1 Apr - 31 Oct 10:00 - 17:00
1 Nov - 31 Mar 10:00 - 16:00



MURDER MYSTERY EVENING

Can you solve the puzzle during our special Murder Mystery Evening, in association with Interact Imaginations?

Our steam train will be in operation during the event, which also includes a meal. Booking is essential for this event.

SATURDAY 13th JUNE



NOW OPEN!

NEW EXHIBITION HALL NOW OPEN!

After some major development and investment in the future of the Museum, our new Exhibition Hall is now open!

Come and have a look around the new displays and vehicles which are inside, including the Network SouthEast Class 317 vehicle.

TELL US WHERE YOU FOUND THIS LEAFLET AND SAVE!

If you picked up this leaflet at a location other than the East Anglian Railway Museum, fill in the details below and let us know where. Present your voucher in reception and we'll give you a discount on admission to the museum. (Not valid on Day Out With Thomas / Beer Festival).

Location: _____
Town: _____
Your Postcode: _____

GET INVOLVED

The Museum is run by volunteers and new recruits are warmly welcomed. There is a surprisingly wide range of volunteering opportunities. From restoration and other railway-centred tasks to administration, estate tasks and more. There could be something tailor-made for you.

Find out more from our website, or email us via volunteering@earm.co.uk.

KEY TO COLOURS ON CALENDAR

- Museum Viewing**
Open for viewing
- Diesel Event Day**
Book in advance and save
- Steam Event Day**
Book in advance and save
- Special Event Day**
Book in advance and save
- Chappel Beer Festival**
Prebooking essential
- Day out with Thomas**
Prebooking essential

MUSEUM VIEWING DAYS

Orange days. We are open Weekends and Wednesdays*, you can browse the Museum's ten acre site at your leisure.

See the trains, station, buildings, Display Rooms, New Exhibition Hall, Restoration Shed, Goods Shed, Model Railway display, and more. We also have a train-themed playground.

*Not including 5th - 6th & 13th Sept and 23rd - 30th Dec.

DIESEL EVENT DAYS

Green days. One of our vintage diesel locomotives, Diesel Railbus or heritage Diesel Multiple Unit will be in operation giving unlimited rides. All the exhibits and displays on the Museum Viewing day will also be available.

Unlimited rides on our miniature railway are also included in the price of admission. (Subject to volunteer availability).

STEAM EVENT DAYS

Red days. Come along and have unlimited rides on a train hauled by one of our resident steam locomotives. All the exhibits and displays on the Museum Viewing day will also be available.

Unlimited rides on our miniature railway are included in the price of admission. (Subject to volunteer availability).

SPECIAL EVENT DAYS

Purple days. As well as rides on one or more of our trains, there will be other special attractions, such as free bus rides, vehicle displays, or model railway show. More details about these days can be found elsewhere in this leaflet, or on our website.

All the exhibits and displays on the Museum Viewing day will also be available during Special Event Days.

Use the key on the left to see what we are doing each day we are open.

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NOVEMBER							DECEMBER						
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MONDAY 25th MAY

CLASSIC VEHICLE SHOW

Our popular classic vehicle event at the Spring Bank Holiday, with a wide assortment of road vehicles, including cars, bikes, buses and more.

There are free bus rides to Bures and back as well as vintage, steam, diesel and miniature railway rides.



SUNDAY 26th JULY

ESSEX ELECTRICS EXHIBITION

Help us celebrate forty years of Network SouthEast with our Essex Electrics event.

Our vintage trains will be in operation and you can have unlimited rides. There will also be a chance to have a look at our preserved Class 309 and 317 vehicles.



SUNDAY 14th JUNE

EAST ANGLIAN BUS DAY

A special day for all bus fans. A number of vintage and heritage buses and coaches will be running, giving free rides in the local area.

Come and see some local vehicles from days gone by, one of our vintage trains will also be in operation.



SUNDAY 9th AUGUST

MODEL RAILWAY SHOW

Our popular model railway show which includes a large number of layouts - including visiting layouts of gauges is back for 2026.

There will also be a wide range of trade stands, as well as rides on our full-sized steam train.



SUNDAY 5th JULY

STEAMPUNK SHENANIGANS

Ladies and gentlemen. We cordially invite you to join us at the EARM for this, our Annual Steampunk fair hosted in conjunction with the League of Essex Extraordinary Gentlemen, with special Steampunk market.

This is a family friendly event, which also includes train rides on our vintage train.



8th to 12th SEPTEMBER

CHAPPEL BEER FESTIVAL

The Chappel Beer Festival returns for its annual outing - with a wide range of real ales, beer, ciders and perrys.

Food & soft drinks will also be available at all times. Admission to this event is by pre-booked ticket only - visit our website for details and how to book.

Platform Two Café is open each day that the Museum is open, selling a range of drinks, snacks and lunches. See website for their opening times and menu.

Our model railway rooms are planned to be open, subject to volunteer availability, at most special event days and on Wednesdays throughout the year.

We reserve the right to alter, or cancel any event/open day shown for any reason. Please see website to confirm details of our open days during 2026.