

# Kevin Pearce Tours



FULLY ESCORTED

# Wheatlands Escapade Rail Tour

All Aboard this little-known rail link from East Perth to our rural heartland. The MerredinLink train is ready to take you on a 3-day journey of history and discovery.

Our Wheatlands Escapade tour features a two night stay at the popular Northam Rec Hotel.

There's nothing more Aussie than a character-filled pub, ... a cold one and a bit of banter with locals. Aussies have been doing just that for centuries ... - if only the walls at the Rec could talk.

The hotel started as McCarthy's Hotel, and was the eighth and last hotel opened in Northam in the 1900's. It was known as the railway workers' hotel. The stables behind the hotel were important, as it had its own horse cab which would meet the passenger trains that utilised the *original eastern railway line* at the old Northam station in the 1920's. The hotel and the stables have been transformed into modern, ground floor accommodation.



All aboard the  
**MerredinLink** train

## 3 DAYS / 2 NIGHTS

SPECIAL FARES : Senior Smartrider \$1395,  
Adult full fare \$1430 Single room supplement \$298

### INCLUDES:

- Return travel aboard the MerredinLink train to Toodyay, Northam and Cunderdin
- Two nights ground floor accommodation at the historic **Rec Hotel** in Northam with ensuite facilities
- ALL meals are included** - includes one meal with drinks and entertainment by "Popera Star" Jay Weston
- Lunch in the famous cartoonist-inspired **Ettamogah pub** in Cunderdin
- A visit to the **York Motor Museum**
- Beverley sights and enjoy a CWA luncheon at the Station Arts Centre,
- Porterage of your suitcase
- Services of your tour managers Kevin Pearce & Rory Oktaviono

Coach tours to  
**YORK AND BEVERLEY**



SEE OVER FOR OUR DAILY ITINERARY ▶

# ALL MEALS ... ALL ACCOMMODATION ... ALL TRAIN AND COACH TRAVEL ... ALL SIGHTSEEING. Great Value!



## Day 1 MONDAY PERTH - CUNDERDIN - NORTHAM

All aboard the **MerredinLink train** at the **East Perth rail terminal** in readiness for departure at **08.45am**.

Enjoy the views as the train winds its way through the picturesque Avon Valley. On passing Northam we leave the valley and continue through the wheatlands region before reaching Cunderdin. Our waiting coach will transfer us to the famous Cunderdin Pub designed on the 'Ettamogah' cartoons by the famous cartoonist Ken Maynard.

There's time to take photos as we enjoy lunch in the hotel, and then head back to the station to reboard the Perth bound **MerredinLink** to continue our journey to Northam. We transfer to our accommodation at the delightful country style **Rec Hotel** for the next two nights. Dinner is served in the hotel's dining room.

THE REC HOTEL (LD)

## Day 2 TUESDAY YORK - BEVERLEY SIGHTSEEING

After a leisurely country-style, hearty breakfast, we board our coach and head to York to visit its famous Motor Museum. It showcases a fascinating collection of cars and bikes from over 100 years of motoring history.

As the oldest, inland European settlement in WA, York was established to grow cereal crops to feed the Swan River Settlement in 1829. We next continue our tour to Beverley, another vibrant country town located near the Avon River. Early passenger trains ceased to run through Beverley in 1978, but the beautiful station has been preserved and today it functions as an Arts Centre. The local CWA ladies will provide lunch for us inside the Arts Centre.



Jay Weston

This evening we visit another historic Northam hotel - **The Riverside**, for dinner and drinks including our entertainer - Jay Weston.

THE REC HOTEL (BLD)

## Day 3 WEDNESDAY NORTHAM - TOODYAY - PERTH

Following breakfast, we check out from our hotel and visit the **old Northam Railway Station** established in 1900. The station closed in 1996 when the new Avon Valley rail route was opened. The station has since been preserved as a museum housing interesting railway memorabilia including a restored steam locomotive. We continue our sightseeing to Toodyay - first settled in 1836, and originally known as Newcastle until renamed **Toodyay** in 1910. Lunch is provided at a local pub before we transfer to the station for our homeward journey aboard the MerredinLink. **The train is scheduled to arrive at East Perth at 04.30 pm.**

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## BOOKING CONFIRMATION & CONDITIONS

### PAYMENTS

Full payment is required together with a completed booking form within seven days of making a reservation, to secure your booking. Failure to do this may result in the cancellation of your reservation.

### CONCESSIONS

Senior travellers must quote a valid nine-digit Smartrider number to travel at the Senior Concession rate.

### TRAIN TRAVEL

The MerredinLink train departs from the East Perth Rail Terminal at 08.45 am on the Monday and arrives back at 04.30 pm on Wednesday.

### CANCELLATION CHARGES

30 Days or more before departure, **35% less of tour cost.**  
Less than 30 days before departure, **100% of tour cost.**

**Travel insurance is available.**

### REFUNDS

No refunds can be given to any passenger who joins the tour after its commencement, or for early departure from the tour. Additionally, no refunds can be given for any accommodation, meals or excursions not partaken during the tour.

### YOUR TOUR MANAGERS

Experienced Train buff Kevin Pearce and photographer Rory Octaviano will assist you throughout this special rail tour.

### ITINERARY CHANGES

Tour de Force Travel reserves the right to change the itinerary or mode of transport due to any operational reasons beyond its control.



Kevin



Rory



Tour departs  
Perth March 23  
2026

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**BE QUICK! - BOOK HERE!**

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