



# NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

## 2024 EVERETT CONVENTION SCHEDULE & EVENT DETAILS

### Top 5 Reasons to Come to Everett

The 2024 convention committee is very much looking forward to seeing you in Everett this September. Since last year's convention was in Tacoma, we'd like to highlight the top 5 reasons to attend another West End convention this year:

1. Friday's train ride behind NP 924 at the Northwest Railway Museum in Snoqualmie, which includes a full behind-the-scenes tour of NWRM's facilities
2. Saturday's joint "jumbo" swap meet with the GNRHS
3. The first NPRHA convention north of Tacoma, so there is a focus on north Puget Sound topics and sites
4. Delta Marriott hotel is a very nice property and convenient to attractions in downtown Everett and the recently-redeveloped Everett waterfront on Puget Sound
5. Involvement of Everett historians in the program, to help provide local flavor.

### Schedule Overview

Tuesday 9/10: Arrival day – No-host mixer and first Board meeting in the evening

Wednesday 9/11 and Thursday 9/12  
– Presentations from 9am – 9pm with meal breaks

Friday 9/13 – Excursion to Northwest Railway Museum

Saturday 9/14 – Swap meet, modeling presentations, history walks, banquet, and second Board meeting

### Short Walks

In conjunction with the Everett History Museum, we will have a couple of short walks near the hotel. One of the walks will be to the former NP depot and yard site, of which there is unfortunately nothing remaining. The other walk will be around downtown Everett, which several historic or otherwise interesting buildings, including a former Carnegie Library and a transportation hub for local and regional trains and buses.

### Presentation Topics

Here is a sampling of the 30 or so exciting presentation topics for 2024:

- Bellingham, Seattle roundhouse, Kirkland steel mill, Snoqualmie Branch
- North Puget Sound Logging railroads that shipped on the NP
- How to read a dispatcher's train sheet
- NP dining car china and NP Tacoma Division scheduled freight trains
- Grays Harbor Line and the Buckley Line
- Deep dive panel discussion on NP track standards and practices
- Short "Ted Talks" on a number of topics
- Late Show – 300 NP photos you have never seen
- NP modeling presentations



*More information on other side.*

## Neighborhood Shops & Eateries

There are also a number of quality shops and eateries. Here are just a couple of them. Venture Restaurant, in hotel, offers breakfast and dinner (3-11), more restaurants within three to five blocks. Hotel swimming pool, hot tub, spa. On-site parking \$7/day.



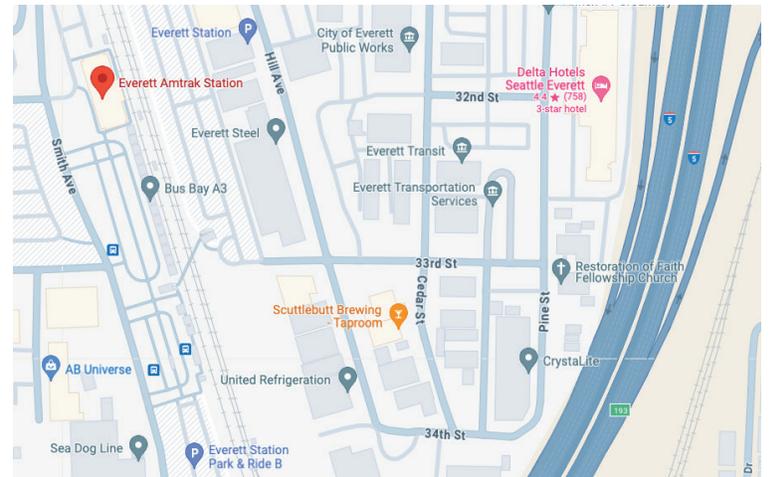
## Transportation

Amtrak's Chicago-Seattle Empire Builder serves Everett Station in both directions daily. Amtrak offers one morning and one afternoon Seattle-Everett Station and Everett Station-Seattle train daily.

Sound Transit offers two Seattle-Everett Station morning Sounder trains and two Everett Station-Seattle afternoon trains daily. Sound Transit bus routes 510 and 512 link Seattle and Everett Station in conjunction with frequent Link Light Rail 1-Line trains between downtown Seattle and Northgate transit center. Route 510 offers afternoon-only through bus service downtown Seattle-Everett Station, morning-only Everett-Seattle. Check website for schedules.

Everett Transit routes 4 and 18 serve Everett Station and stops on Pacific Avenue near the hotel, with connections at Everett Station to downtown.

As of January 2024, the hotel does not furnish shuttle service.



## Everett History Links

Here are some links you can peruse to learn more about Everett history.

- Thumbnail History of Everett (<https://t.ly/f8kCY>)
- Overview of Everett Industries (<https://t.ly/zVHQa>)
- Everett's Streetcars (<https://t.ly/M0TqC>)
- Tracked History, Part 1: Streetcars & Buses (<https://t.ly/A3JzO>)
- Historic Maps of Everett (<https://t.ly/eFgAK>)
- NP in Everett in the mid-1950s (<https://t.ly/BtYEX>)
- Downtown walking tour (<https://t.ly/-1EuT>)
- Riverside neighborhood walking tour (<https://t.ly/RhTx3>)

## Possible Side Trip on Monday 9/9

If you are interested in an all-day driving tour of the Sumas Line and Bellingham, with frequent stops to explore NP-related sites, please contact Kent Sullivan ([kent@sosufamily.net](mailto:kent@sosufamily.net)). This possible excursion is not part of the convention and, for non-local guests, would require 2 more hotel nights since we would begin the trip early in the morning.

## NPRHA CONVENTION

### Everett, Washington

September 10-14, 2024

Join your fellow NPRHA members in this historic Pacific Northwest city—ride with the only operating NP steam locomotive!

**Convention Hotel:** Marriott Delta  
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