



# KOMOKA RAILWAY MUSEUM

## NEWSLETTER

**Komoka Railway  
Museum  
133 Queen Street  
Komoka, Ontario  
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**Monthly meetings are held at the  
museum on the third Thursday of  
each month at  
7:30 p.m.**

### ***Next Meeting***

***Thursday,  
January 19, 2012  
at 7:30 p.m.***

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## **Happy New Year**

As a volunteer, I have agreed to be editor of the monthly newsletter starting January 2012. Here is the simple beginning.

There were a couple of items (including an interview) that I would have liked to have included but December 2011 was very busy and there was not as much time available to get everything done as I had hoped. There will be future newsletters to get things a rollin'

To truly make this *your* newsletter, your input is needed for articles, pictures, stories etc. as my schedule at the present does not give me the luxury of time to produce articles, research etc. for your newsletter myself. So *your* contributions are most welcomed and appreciated.

You may contact me with your contribution in one of the following ways:

Your submissions via email would be easier for me to work with in assembling the newsletter.

There are so any exciting stories about the history of railroads. Let's share the wealth!

**Please have all of your submissions by the 1st of each month to the editor in order for the newsletter to arrive in a timely manner.**

**Dan Oatman, Editor**

***Submissions due by February 1, 2012 for next newsletter***

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Ron Davis and Dan Oatman will be speaking at the Strathroy District Historical Society meeting on Monday March 19, 2012 7:00 p.m. on the Komoka Railway Museum.

## **FROM THE LINESIDE**

### **Canada Day**

This summer was exceptionally successful, starting with the Canada Day parade where member Rick Oliver was drafted to control the children, young and not so young, who wanted to ride the trains. Thanks also to member John Mason, for running the Sarnia club locomotive and carrying a good piece of the load. Mark Toth was encouraging the youngsters with his battery powered F7 units. All in all, it was a very successful Canada Day which was reflected during the rest of the summer, especially during on the Open Doors weekend in September.

Donations at the track were welcomed and added to the museum's general fund.

### **Countess of Dufferin**

We have been favoured as temporary custodians of CPR #1, "The Countess of Dufferin" to a scale of 1" to the foot until a railway museum can be established in Forest. It is intended to fit a propane burner and then run this loco next summer.

### **CNNR #4**

Our resident loco, CBNR #4 is in the shops for some minor maintenance and re-work to the plumbing.

### **K.D. Fortner**

The Sarnia loco, the "K.D FORTNER " , will get a new oil pump before it takes to the road again in the spring.

Your future contributions will fill this space