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# KOMOKA RAILWAY MUSEUM



# NEWSLETTER



The Ontario Trillium Foundation is an agency
Of the Government of Ontario

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www.komokarailmuseum.ca

The next regularly monthly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 19, 2016 at 7:30 pm

**SEE YOU THERE!** 

### NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

# **UPDATES ON GRANT APPLICATIONS.**

-- Grant for two students over the summer

**GOOD NEWS: BOTH STUDENTS APPROVED** 

-- Grant for money to paint station

**STILL AWAITING RESPONSE** 

--Grant for floor and door replacement on the large exhibits building THE MUSEUM MEMBERS ARE DISAPPOINTED THAT THIS GRANT WAS NOT APPROVED

# **New spring projects**

- --Revamp waiting room in the station
- --Clean out and freshen up the caboose to include in tour.

Plus several groups are coming for tours and extra help could be used for those days. See list further of newsletter for details.

# STEAMING SCHEDULE FOR 2016

# Komoka Railway Museum

Sun. May 8, Sat.May 14, Sat. May 28
Sat June 4, Sun. June 12, Sun. Jun 19, Sat. June 25
Fri. July 1, Sat. Jul 9, Sat. Jul 16. Sat. Jul 23, Sat, Jul 30
Sat. Sept 3, Sat Sept 10

Approximate times are from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The schedule is subject to weather conditions and locomotive availability.

The month of August is available for

Family re-unions, birthday parties, car clubs, service club outings etc.

To make a reservation or to confirm steaming operations, .

please call Ed at 226-973-4462

## **UPDATE ON FACEBOOK GROUP**

While getting everything organized, it was discovered that there was another Komoka Railway Museum page that had been created a few years ago and was attached to no individual or group.

As a result of amalgamation of the two group pages, the Facebook page is now Komoka Railway Museum

without the "Inc" on the end. Sorry for the confusion. If you followed the old page, it is no longer there. You will have to like the new page. As time goes on, hopefully this page will be another means of communication for the museum.

# 3 May 2016

We welcomed visitors from the North Middlesex Historical Society on Tuesday, April 26 for a tour of the museum. They enjoyed their visit and we had a great evening interacting with them. This was their first visit to the Museum. See pictures below of the visit.













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Calendar of events for Komoka Railway Museum			
2016			
(Revised May 4/16)			
Date	Event	Times	
Sun May 8/16	Shunpikers	10-5	
Mon May 16/16	Scouts (from London)	7pm	
Mon Jun 6/16	Komoka Library	10-4	
Sun Jun 12/16	Komoka Fest	10-2	
Fri Jul 1/16	Canada Day	All day	

WEBSITES OF INTEREST	WEBSITE ADDRESS	
Niagara Railway Museum	http://www.nfrm.ca/	
Toronto Railway Museum	http://www.trha.ca/news.html	
St. Jacobs & Aberfoyle Model Railway	http://www.stjacobsmodelrailway.com/	
Heimburger House Publishing (Railroad Books)	www.heimburgerhouse.com	

#### FROM TRACKSIDE

The track survived the winter in good condition, with only some minor adjustments being necessary.

The vegetation control crew have been out attacking the thistles and laying down wood chips where needed to smother the other weeds.

The mower had a good overhaul and is awaiting new blades which are expected soon.

## **FROM THE SHOP**

The boiler shop successfully repaired a leaky boiler from another railway and a test certificate has been issued.

Several types of coal have been graded ready for another season of experimental running.

New signs have been made for the station and should make for a safer area around the steaming bays.

Ed Spencer



#### COMMEMORATION OF THE OFFICIAL OPENING

On July 1, 2016, the Canada Day celebrations will be in Komoka.

This July will mark the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the official opening on July 1, 1986.

Plan to come and celebrate with us.



Any thoughts on how we can celebrate this special occasion.

### **FUTURE EVENTS**

For more details check out website with all the shows listed on it, check out the link below <a href="http://www.collectorshows.ca/">http://www.collectorshows.ca/</a>

#### **TOY & COLLECTIBLES SHOWS**

May 15, 2016 Woodstock Toy And Collectibles Expo June 5, 2016 Ancaster Collectorfest

### **MODEL TRAIN SHOWS**

June 5, 2016 Ancaster Collectorfest

## **NOSTALGIA & SMALL ANTIQUE SHOWS**

May 29, 2016 Woodstock Nostalgia Show And Sale

June 26, 2016 Ancaster Nostalgia Show and Sale

# Submissions due by May 25, 2016 for June 2016 newsletter

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