

## KOMOKA RAILWAY MUSEUM

## NEWSLETTER



**Komoka Railway  
Museum**

**133 Queen Street  
Komoka, Ontario  
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[www.komokarailmuseum.ca](http://www.komokarailmuseum.ca)

**Monthly meetings are held at the  
museum on the third Thursday of  
each month at  
7:30 p.m.**

***Next Meeting***

***Thursday,  
June 21, 2012  
at 7:30 p.m.***

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

On Monday, June 18, 2012 at p.m.  
at 7 p.m., the Strathroy District  
Historical Society will be visiting  
the Komoka RR Museum for a  
special tour.

**MODEL RAILROAD TRAIN SHOWS AND SALE**

- 1) Woodstock October 21, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Auditorium & Mutual Market Buildings, Woodstock Fairgrounds, 875 Nellis St. Woodstock
- 2) Kitchener November 4, 2012 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Bingemans, 425 Bingemans Centre Drive Kitchener

Cost of admission for all shows is \$5.00 per person for each show.

**JULY 1, 2012 PARADE**

Volunteers needed for the parade in Delaware. If you are available, contact Al Ward.

**CLEANUP DAY**

On an undetermined Saturday soon, volunteers will be welcomed in a cleanup of the grounds to do a bit of tidying up. If you are available, contact Al Ward.

**On May 30, 2012, 10 grade 12 students from the Providence Reformed Collegiate visited the museum and from the pictures had a great time.**



**FROM THE LINESIDE****STEAM UP SCHEDULE**

The tentative steam schedule for 2012 is subject to locomotive availability and weather permitting as follows:

Saturday	June 16 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday	July 29 <sup>th</sup>
Saturday	June 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Monday	August 6 <sup>th</sup>
Saturday	July 14 <sup>th</sup>	Saturday	August 18 <sup>th</sup>
		Monday	September 3 <sup>rd</sup>

In addition, other days are to be determined.

**QUERY**

Editor: I came across this item recently. Someone had heard of a railroad with the initials URR and wondered about its history as it did not seem to exist after the 1860's. There were records of having about 40 stations in Ontario at one time plus some in Nova Scotia. Records seem to indicate that about 75,000 to 100,000 people had traveled the rails on this line. I figured out the name and its history. Can you?

Hint from last month's issue: The RR of URR stands for Rail Road.

**NOTES FROM TRACKSIDE****Bluewater locomotive**

The K.D. Fortner has returned to the stable after its winter overhaul. It could still use a paint job. The injector is still temperamental with the culprit likely the injector valve, located between the boiler and the L.H. water tank, not making it easy to get at.

**CBNR #3**

It has had a new main breaker installed and it looks like the Electric Traction Dept. managed to wire it up correctly, subject to load test. The new horn is a great improvement.

**CBNR #4**

It underwent successful steam trials the first week of May except for the rebuilt safety valves blowing off too early but should be remedied by middle of May. #4 seems to have developed a liking for soft coal as opposed to the Anthracite it's been burning up to now. Fortunately, there is an abundant supply of Smokeyhontas in Ridgetown.

**Note from the P/way gang**

Suggest changing out the straight length immediately before the traverse with a length from the steaming roads with expected completion by the end of June and will not affect track availability.

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