KOMOKA RAILWAY MUSEUM

NEWSLETTER





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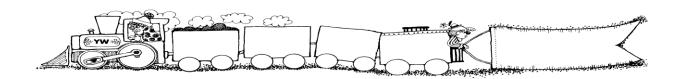
Monthly meetings are held at the museum on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

The next meeting will be on

Thursday, June 19, 2014

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Memberships are now due. Please forward your renewal for 2014. Thank you for your support of the museum.



COMING OUR WAY

A very exciting addition to our collection has been donated.

As you can see from the picture above, the acquisition is a circus train.

More details will follow later in future newsletters.

There will be transportation costs in getting the collection to the museum from New Brunswick which will arrive in July 2014.

You are being invited to contribute toward the transportation costs. All donations are eligible for tax receipts. Please make sure that donation is marked for *Circus Train acquisition* in order for your donation to go to this project. Thank you for your contribution.

On the first outing of the season Diesel/Electric #3 was not on top form. An enquiry to the makers as to the possible problems brought talk of AC traction and thyristor control which only elicited blank stares among the shop crafts. It was, therefore, decided to investigate the state of the DC traction motor which proved to be in remarkably good condition. The commutator was skimmed and the motor re-assembled. Iit now awaits a time slot on the heavy lift road. In the meantime the wire pullers (sorry! Electricians) are looking at the wiring as time permits. For a 19 year old locomotive it has done well and hopefully will continue to do so.

FROM TRACKSIDE; The p/way gang still have some 'umps an' 'ollers to smooth out, but it is safe for normal traffic. The long drag from the original station site has been eased as has the drop on the back straight where now are the steaming bays. There are a couple of lengths that will be changed out in due course as they have slightly crippled rails. The first priority is to control the vegetation encroaching on to the track with this work being completed in the next two weeks.

FROM THE TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT; Resident #4 now sports a pair of name plates "Sweet Petunia" made by the Arkona non-ferrous foundry, the new tyres are looking good and doing the job, the smaller flanges were a cause for some unfounded concern but Petunia holds the road well.

Ed Spencer

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

June's President's Report has one item that the Museum's members need to be informed about and that is the Live Steam Operation will be shut down for two weeks in June. Our Museum's Secretary and Track Superintendent Ed Spencer and Mary-Ann his new bride will be honeymooning in England for two weeks June 11 to 26.

To Ed & Mary-Ann congratulations and have a good trip.

C. A. Ward President



TENTATIVE STEAMING SCHEDULE FOR 2014

June 2014 Schedule

Sun. June 1st, Sat. June 7th,

July and August 2014 Schedule

Sat. July 5th, Sun. July 20th, Sun. Aug. 3rd, Sun Aug.31st

September 2014 Schedule

Sat. September 13th, Sun. September 28th

Approximate times are from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The schedule is subject to weather conditions and locomotive availability.

Other times can be arranged by appointment. 226-973-4462

FUTURE EVENTS

There is now a new website with all the shows listed on it, please check it out.

Here is the link http://www.collectorshows.ca/

Toy & Collectibles Shows

July 20, 2014 Woodstock Toy & Collectible Show

Model Train Shows

October 19, 2014 Woodstock Model Train Show and Sale

Nostalgia & Small Antique Shows

June 22, 2014 Ancaster Nostalgia Show and Sale

ABERFOYLE JUNCTION MODEL RAILWAY

The model railway is now open to the public on the times listed below.

May to December 2014 Every Saturday and Sunday

Check out their website at: www.stjacobsmodelrailway.com.

STJ&AMR address: 1440-3 King Street, St. Jacobs. Telephone: 519-664-3737

HIGHLIGHTS FROM MAY 2014 MEMBERS MEETING

- 1. One application for summer employment received. Interview arranged for Saturday, May 3, 2014 at 10 a.m.
- 2. Eco fest Sunday June 22, 2014 at the Komoka Community Centre. Volunteers would be welcome.
- 3. Baggage car renovations updated. Looking for an experienced person in non-profit projects to make recommendations and advise as to building code requirements.
- 4. Proceeding to get estimates for floor in building housing large item.
- 5. Membership renewals to go out in next newsletter.
- 6. Christmas lottery in process.
- 7. Circus train donation from New Brunswick accepted. Cost for transportation in bringing to museum.

Submissions due by June 28, 2014 for July 2014 newsletter

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