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# KOMOKA RAILWAY MUSEUM



## NEWSLETTER



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

Komoka Railway Museum  
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Komoka, Ontario  
519-657-1912  
[www.komokarailmuseum.ca](http://www.komokarailmuseum.ca)



**The next regularly monthly meeting is scheduled for  
Thursday, June 16, 2016 at 7:30 pm**

**SEE YOU THERE!**

### NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

#### **UPDATES ON GRANT APPLICATIONS.**

-- Grant for two students over the summer

One Student hired. Receiving applications for the outside position

-- Grant for money to paint station

Have received money to cover the cost of repainting the station

#### **NEW SPRING PROJECTS**

--Began work on the interior of the baggage car

--Revamp waiting room in the station

--Clean out and freshen up the caboose to include in tour.

#### **May 2016 Newsletter**

It has been brought to the editor's attention that not everyone received the May 2016 newsletter via email. Some did receive it and some didn't. If you did not receive it, let me know and I will email you another copy.

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## **STEAMING SCHEDULE FOR 2016**

### **Komoka Railway Museum**

**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**

**The updated Facebook page is now Komoka Railway Museum without the "Inc" on the end.. If you followed the old page, it is no longer there. You will have to like the new page.**

Effective June 20, 2016, please note that the Museum will no longer be using the PO Box #22 in the mailing address. Canada Post will be using the 911 address for directing mail. Please amend your mailing addresses.

#### **OLD MAILING ADDRESS:**

Komoka Railway Museum  
PO Box 22  
KOMOKA ON N0L 1R0

#### **NEW MAILING ADDRESS:**

Komoka Railway Museum  
133 Queen Street  
KOMOKA ON N0L 1R0

Calendar of events for Komoka Railway Museum  
2016

(Revised May 22/16)

Volunteers are always welcome to come  
and help at any of these events.

Please contact Dan Oatman or Ed Spencer

Date	Event	Times
Mon Jun 6/16	Komoka Library	10-4
Fri Jun 12/16	Iron Horsemen	2 pm
Sun Jun 12/16	Komoka Fest	10-2
Fri Jul 1/16	Canada Day	All day

<b>WEBSITES OF INTEREST</b>	<b>WEBSITE ADDRESS</b>
Niagara Railway Museum	<a href="http://www.nfrm.ca/">http://www.nfrm.ca/</a>
Toronto Railway Museum	<a href="http://www.trha.ca/news.html">http://www.trha.ca/news.html</a>
St. Jacobs & Aberfoyle Model Railway	<a href="http://www.stjacobsmodelrailway.com/">http://www.stjacobsmodelrailway.com/</a>
Heimbürger House Publishing (Railroad Books)	<a href="http://www.heimburgerhouse.com">www.heimburgerhouse.com</a>
Charlie Smiley Videos	<a href="http://www.cspmovies.com">www.cspmovies.com</a>

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**FROM THE MAINTENANCE OF WAY DEPT.**

The vegetation control crew went to work with a vengeance as soon as the dandelions appeared and the track was well manicured in time for the Shunpikers on May 8th.

Wood chips are being strategically placed around the track to smother weeds as time permits.

The track suffered no real damage over the very mild winter and normal running commenced on April 30th with no slacks.

A pair of Killdeers have nested at the highest point on the track and on May 8th had 1 egg.

**FROM THE TRAFFIC DEPT.**

Our resident #4 did sterling service on May 8th and only required a quick trip to the shed for ash removal and a poke with a flue brush at mid-day.

The electric #3 was a bit sluggish but helped greatly all the same as the problem was traced to an old battery that has been replaced.

**FROM THE B&B DEPT.**

New signs were made over the winter, one in particular worthy of mention is the name for the station "Murray's Landing" .

There is a vacancy for an Intern to work in B&B for the summer. There is work to be done around Komoka station that never seems to get done before the snow comes again.

**FROM THE SHOPS.**

A new lathe is being held in storage pending installation in larger facilities before the Fall.

**FROM HR;**

We are pleased to welcome Hayley back at the front desk for the summer and the word has gone out for a B&B Intern, which co-incidentally will mean extended opening hours.

Letters of interest will be accepted at the museum by e-mail, Canada Post or in person on Saturday mornings between 9 am and noon for a job description contact the museum.

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.**

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Pictures of Shunpikers Visit on May 8<sup>th</sup> , 2016.  
Estimated that 2500+ people visited the Museum.



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We welcomed two London Beaver & Cub Scouts (80<sup>th</sup> London & 73<sup>rd</sup> London) groups  
May 16, 2016 for a tour of the Museum. They appeared to have a good time.



**FUTURE EVENTS**

For more details check out website with all the shows listed on it, check out the link below

<http://www.collectorshows.ca/>

**TOY & COLLECTIBLES SHOWS**

June 5, 2016 Ancaster Collectorfest

June 12, 2016 Kitchener Collectibles Expo

July 10, 2016 Woodstock Toy and Collectibles Expo

**MODEL TRAIN SHOWS**

June 5, 2016 Ancaster Collectorfest

**NOSTALGIA & SMALL ANTIQUE SHOWS**

June 12, 2016 Kitchener Collectibles Expo

June 26, 2016 Ancaster Nostalgia Show And Sale

***Submissions due by June 23, 2016 for July 2016 newsletter***

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