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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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Monthly meetings are held at the museum on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.
PLEASE NOT THAT THE AUGUST MEETING IS CHANGED TO AUGUST 27th NOT AUGUST 20th

The next regular monthly meeting will be on Thursday, August 27, 2015

A VERY BIG APPRECIATION

On June 6, 1980, Ron Davis became the first curator of the museum. Ron is still curator and so that means Ron has served the museum and the community for 35 years this past June.

On behalf of all your friends and members of the Komoka Railway Museum, we say thank you very much.

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

The editor is always open to receiving items of interest from the members and others who would like to share items, stories, pictures of interest.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are always welcome to help out as well with a number of projects around the museum.

SUMMER HOURS

The Komoka Museum will be open weekly Thursday to Sunday from 9 am to 4:30 pm daily until August 30, 2015, when the museum will revert to being opened on Saturday mornings from 9 – 12. Invite your friends and family to come and explore a part of our Canadian railroad history.



TENTATIVE STEAMING SCHEDULE FOR 2015

Komoka Railway Museum

Saturday Schedule

August 8, August 22, August 29, September 12

Approximate times are from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

The schedule is subject to weather conditions and locomotive availability.

Other dates by prior arrangement through the museum.

Birthday parties, car clubs, service club outings etc. are welcome

For further information or to confirm steaming operation,

call Ed Spencer at 519-488-1622 or 226-973-4462

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

August 23 Ancaster Collectibles Extravaganza

September 27 Woodstock Collectibles Extravaganza

MODEL TRAIN SHOWS

October 18 Woodstock Model Train and Show

NOSTALGIA & SMALL ANTIQUE SHOWS

September 13, 2015 Woodstock Nostalgia Show

October 4, 2015 Delaware Nostalgia Show

INVITATION

At the end of the newsletter, is an invitation to join Ron and June Davis and family and friends in a special anniversary celebration, please make note of the details and join them in their celebration.



MUSEUM POTLUCK

For all who came out on
Sunday, July 19, 2015 for the potluck
at the Komoka Railway Museum
and who brought all the good food,
thanks for coming
and sharing the afternoon
and your interests other than trains.

Anyone for a second annual potluck next year?

FROM THE TRAFFIC DEPT:

Resident #4 made another sojourn to Hamilton the 15th of July and ran well. It was noticed that the fire burned more lively at the front of the box than the rear although the fire is deeper due to the slope of the firebars. This has always necessitated regular use of the fire irons to keep the fire evenly spread. A report was made to the running shed management and passed up to the design office.

A suggestion of a brick arch was deemed impractical due to the superheater elements reaching through to the back of the firebox and constricting limited space. It was noted that a previous set of firebars had burnt through approximately a third of the distance from the front so perhaps a baffle to divert the air to the rear of the firebox might be an advantage, this has been fitted and tried with success, however, it restricts the space for ash clean out while running but as the fire iron is used less it means less unburned fuel falling through the bars to waste. Further observations while running will be noted.

FOR SALE

Jim Walker, 519- 472- 6255, has his HO North American/ Canadian RR for sale. The layout is round the walls of a 10' X 10' basement room. There are multitracks with over 30 RR cars. Contact the Walker's for further details.

Submissions due by August 23, 2015 for September 2015 newsletter

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The newsletter is available via email instead of via Canada Post. Let me know if you want to be added to the email list



One of the station's new critters, a young cottontail. The editor WILL NOT be adopting this one, although Komoka, the cat, would probably think it would be a neat playmate to chase.



Hot weather getting you down? Don't know how to stay cool? Komoka demonstrates how to be cool!!

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RON AND JUNE DAVIS

PLEASE JOIN
CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN
IN CELEBRATING THEIR
60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

OPEN HOUSE

COMMUNITY CENTRE
133 QUEEN STREET, KOMOKA

SATURDAY, AUG. 1ST, 2015

DROP BY ANYTIME 1 - 4 PM
CONGRATULATIONS ONLY, PLEASE.