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# KOMOKA RAILWAY MUSEUM



# NEWSLETTER



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There will be no regularly monthly meetings till March 2016

The museum will be closed till April 2016

#### NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT







Wishing all of our members and friends of the museum, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Have a safe holiday season as you travel and visit family and friends.

The Museum is planning on a lot of projects, large and small for 2016. Some projects will require contractors while others are ones that volunteers can make happen. Consider giving a few hours in 2016 to accomplish those tasks.



The Komoka Railway Museum will close for the season on Saturday December 5, 2015.

Regular hours will resume the first Saturday in April, 2016.

#### FROM THE TRAFFIC DEPT.

#### **TENTATIVE STEAMING SCHEDULE FOR 2016**

Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup>, May 7<sup>th</sup>, May 14<sup>th</sup>, May 28<sup>th</sup>,

June 4<sup>th</sup>, June 11<sup>th</sup>, Sunday June 19<sup>th</sup>, Saturday June 25<sup>th</sup>.

Friday July 1<sup>st</sup>, Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup>, July 16<sup>th</sup>, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, July 30<sup>th</sup>.

Saturday September 3<sup>rd</sup>, September 10<sup>th</sup>.

Subject to weather, contact for verification 226 973 4462.

Times approximately 10 am to 1 pm.

The whole month of August has been left available for family re-unions, birthday parties, car clubs etc arrangements can be made by calling the number above.

#### FROM THE MACHINE SHOP

The sub-contract work that kept the machine shop busy through the summer has come to an end and new locomotive work as well as new work for the car shop can go ahead.

Machining of components for the coal crushing and grading plant has started with the rollers for the crusher having been finished ready for weldments as details become available from the Drawing Office.

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#### FROM THE STORES DEPT.

A substantial quantity of iron castings has been received from the foundry for passenger car side frames and wheels both for locomotives and passenger cars. The Inspection Dept reports the castings to be of excellent quality and a trial of the wheels in the lathe using carbide tooling found them to have a useful degree of hardness so it is not contemplated fitting steel tyres from new.

A further order for castings has been placed with the foundry.

#### **FUTURE FACEBOOK GROUP**

At the last membership meeting, it was agreed to start a Facebook page. The President will create the Komoka Railway Museum group. Watch for details soon.

Visit the link below to see the latest on the St. Jacobs & Aberfoyle Model Railway

Visit http://www.stjacobsmodelrailway.com/

Visit the link below to see the Toronto Railway Museums hours

Visit http://www.trha.ca/news.html to learn more!

#### **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**

December 13, 2015 Woodstock Toy & Collectible Show

December 20, 2015 Ancaster Collectibles Extravaganza

January 3rd, 2016 Woodstock Toy And Collectibles Expo

January 31st, 2016 London Collectibles Expo

## **MODEL TRAIN SHOWS**

January 10th, 2016 Woodstock Model Train Show And Sale

#### **NOSTALGIA & SMALL ANTIQUE SHOWS**

December 6, 2015 Ancaster Nostalgia Show and Sale

January 17th, 2016 Woodstock Nostalgia Show And Sale

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### FLAT FILE DRAWER CABINET STILL NEEDED

Do you have or know of where we can obtain the following at no or little cost?

The Komoka Railway Museum is in need of a flat file drawer cabinet to store larger items in e.g. maps, blueprints etc.

Contact Dan Oatman at danoatman@gmail.com or 226-973-5202

**UPDATE:** We still do not have one yet but are following on a couple of leads.

Thanks to those for supplying the follow up leads.

Some recent donations to the museum. Thanks to all those who gave a donation to the museum.

## **Komoka Railway Station sketch**





Caboose lantern

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CN Railway Police Uniform



Submissions due by December 23, 2015 for January 2016 newsletter Dan Oatman 5 Velma Street, Strathroy ON, N7G 3L2, 226-973-5202 danoatman@gmail.com

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