

# KOMOKA RAILWAY MUSEUM

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**Komoka: Museum mascot**

The Museum acknowledges a grant  
provided by the Municipality of  
Middlesex Centre

In June 2016,  
the Komoka Railway  
Museum was inducted into  
the North American Railway  
Hall of Fame

Komoka Railway Museum  
131 Queen Street  
Komoka, Ontario  
519-657-1912

[www.komokarailmuseum.ca](http://www.komokarailmuseum.ca)

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***We thank all our members for attending our monthly meetings.***

***The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 7:30 pm***

***PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING CHANGE COMING.***

***Effective with the September 2018 meeting,  
the monthly meetings will be on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm.  
Please make sure that you mark this change on your calendars.***

### NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

#### SUMMER STUDENT

The museum is delighted to have Heather Wilson this summer as our assistant-curator. Already, she has been very creative and is working on some research projects for the museum. The museum now has extended summer hours again for the 2018 summer season till August 26, 2018. The hours open are from 9 am to 4pm, Thursday to Sunday each week till the last week in August. If you haven't stopped by to meet Heather, pop in and say "Hi" and go for a tour if you haven't been through.

#### REPLACEMENT OF STATION DECK

Soon work on the deck will resume. Thanks to Rob Hockin for co-ordinating this project.

#### ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

Thanks to all those who have renewed their membership for 2018-2019. If you have not paid yet, we would appreciate your forwarding your membership renewal at your earliest convenience. The memberships are still \$25.00 per year.

The email attachments are newly created handouts by Heather Wilson, our summer assistant curator. A good overview of the museum's and area's history and a good poster.  
Good work Heather.

Here is a link to the story of the 6060 being restored in Sarnia.

<https://london.ctvnews.ca/video?clipId=1432128>

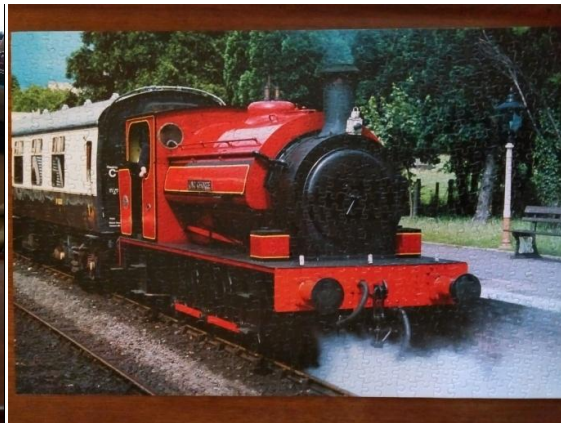
**The Hi Railer getting cleaned up for the parade.**  
Thanks Rob for washing the Hi Railer



The Hi Railer all decked out for Canada Day 2018 in Mt Brydges  
Thanks Tom for driving the Hi Railer



Miles with another puzzle completed. Way to go Miles!!



## UPCOMING EVENTS/GROUP TOURS FOR THE MUSEUM

Thanks to the volunteers for helping out with these events

EVENT	DATE(S)	TIME	VOLUNTEERS
Colborne Lodge Residence (Tour)	Friday, August 3, 2018	10 am and 1pm	Al Ward, Rob Hockin, Ron Davis

***Want to learn a bit about Samuel Morse***, here is an interesting link.

<http://qrznow.com/man-behind-morse-code/>

**Our telegraph and insulator display** is almost put together. Heather has been working on the histories of the telegraph equipment.

## WEBSITE UPDATE

**Thanks to Justin for working at updating the museum's website. Looks great!**

**If you haven't checked it yet, please do. Visit us at [www.komokarailmuseum.ca](http://www.komokarailmuseum.ca)**

<b>SOME LINKS THAT MIGHT BE OF INTEREST TO YOU</b>	
Niagara Railway Museum	<a href="http://www.nfrm.ca/">http://www.nfrm.ca/</a>
Palmerston Railway museum	<a href="http://www.palmerstonrailwaymuseum.com/">http://www.palmerstonrailwaymuseum.com/</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>
Elgin County Railway Museum	<a href="https://ecrm5700.org/">https://ecrm5700.org/</a>
Heimburger 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>
North American Railway Hall of Fame	<a href="http://casostation.ca/">http://casostation.ca/</a>
Canadian railway stations and structures	<a href="http://www.canada-rail.com/ontario">http://www.canada-rail.com/ontario</a>

**Donations for the ongoing maintenance and expansion of our collections are always welcome**

**YOUR DONATION VIA CAN BE FORWARDED TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS**

**Komoka Railway Museum**

**131 Queen Street**

**Komoka ON N0L 1R0**

**OR If paying via credit card is preferable, please pay online at the following address:**

**<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/komoka-railway-museum/>**

**The Komoka Museum is a registered charity and your donation of \$20.00 or more  
can be receipted for income tax purposes.**

***Submissions due by July 30, 2018 for August 2018 newsletter***

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***The newsletter is available via email. Let me know if you would like to receive the newsletter via e-mail.***

## **THE BOOMER AUCTION SALE**

OF MODEL TRAIN EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS  
OPERATED BY THE CHATHAM MODEL RAILROAD CLUB  
THE AUCTION WILL BE HELD ON THE LAST SATURDAY IN OCTOBER  
AND WILL RUN EXACTLY AS IT HAS FOR THE LAST 60+ YEARS

### **FOR 2018:**

LOCATION - THE SPIRIT AND LIFE CENTRE (formerly St. Joseph's Hall)  
184 Wellington St. W. in Downtown Chatham, plenty of parking.

DATE: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2018

SIGN-UP LISTS WILL BE POSTED ON THE DOOR AT 8:00 AM

AUCTION SALE STARTS AT 10:00 AM

ADMISSION: \$5.00 WHICH INCLUDES DOOR PRIZES

### **FOR INFORMATION:**

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MODEL TRAIN ESTATES WELCOME!!!

## **FUTURE EVENTS**

**For more details check out the websites with all the shows listed by following the links below :** <http://www.collectorshows.ca/> and <http://www.railwaypages.com/>

### **TOY & COLLECTIBLES SHOWS**

Ancaster Collectibles Extravaganza	August 19, 2018
Woodstock Toy and Collectibles Expo	September 23, 2018
Kitchener Collectibles Expo	September 30, 2018

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

Woodstock Nostalgia Show and Sale	September 9, 2018
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### **MODEL TRAIN SHOWS**

Burlington Model Railway Club Open House	July 29, 2018
Burlington Model Railway Club Open House	August 26, 2018
Picton Model Railroaders Model Train & Hobby Show	September 15 & 16, 2018
Mississauga Model railroad Flea Market	September 16, 2018
NMRA-NFR Convention Huntsville ON	September 28 to September 30, 2018
Greater Toronto Train Show	September 29 & 30, 2018
Montreal Model Train Exposition	September 29 & 30, 2018
Muskoka & Simcoe County Model railroad Layout Tour	September 30, 2018
Burlington Model Railway Club Open House	September 30, 2018