

EDITED FROM

The



CALLBOY

The monthly newsletter of Massachusetts Bay Railroad Enthusiasts, Inc.

The callboy, or crew caller, is the railroad employee who calls train crews for duty. For the entire history of the railroad industry, he (or she) has been an informal source of news. The *Callboy* has been bringing railroad news to Mass Bay RRE members and friends since February 1947.

TOURIST RAILROAD SCHEDULES

Before visiting a tourist line, call to check schedules in advance. Operations may change from time to time!

REGULAR SCHEDULES

OLD COLONY & NEWPORT (19 America's Cup Ave., Newport, RI): 9-mile, 80-min. RT lv. Newport Suns. year-round: 11:45 AM, 1:45 PM. **Info:** PO Box 343, Newport, RI 02840; 401-624-6951; www.ocnrr.com

MUSEUM HOURS

CANADIAN RAILWAY MUSEUM [EXPORAIL] (110 St. Pierre St., St. Constant, PQ): Nov.-Apr., weekends 10 AM-5 PM. **Info:** 110 St. Pierre St., St. Constant QC J5A 1G7, CANADA; 450-632-2410; www.exporail.org

CENTER RUTLAND DEPOT MUSEUM (ex-RUT/D&H depot, 79 Depot Lane): Open Thurs. eves. 6-8 PM. **Info:** Rutland Railway Assn., 79 Depot Lane, Center Rutland, VT 05736; no phone; www.rutlandrailway.org

CONTOOCCOOK DEPOT MUSEUM (ex-B&M depot, Contoocook, NH): Open by appointment. Restored B&M wood/steel "Ambroid" coach and preserved covered bridge nearby. **Info:** Contoocook River-way Assn., c/o Dane Malcolm, 548 Main Street, Contoocook, NH 03229; 603-746-5887.

DANBURY RAILWAY MUSEUM (ex-NH depot, 120 White St.): **Depot/ yard open: Labor Day-Memorial Day:** Wed.-Sat., 10 AM-4 PM; Sun. noon-4 PM. **Closed holidays.** **Info:** PO Box 90, Danbury, CT 06810-0090; 203-778-8337; www.danburyrail.org

FORT KENT RR MUSEUM (ex-BAR depot, Main and Market Sts.): Open by appointment. **Info:** Fort Kent Historical Society, PO Box 181, Fort Kent, ME 04743; 207-834-5354.

FRENCHVILLE RR MUSEUM (ex-BAR troop-sleeper/caboose, 304 Main St.): Open by appointment. **Info:** Frenchville Historical Society, 304 Main St., Frenchville, ME 04745; 207-543-6944.

HARTMANN MODEL RR & TOY MUSEUM (at Brass Caboose Hobby Shop, Town Hall Rd. off Rtes. 16/302, Intervale, NH): Open 10 AM-5 PM: **Jan.-May:** Fri.-Mon. **June:** daily ex. Tues. **July-Aug.:** daily. **Sept.-Oct.:** daily ex. Tues. **Nov.-Dec.:** Fri.-Mon. Closed Easter. **Info:** PO Box 165, Intervale, NH 03845; 603-356-9922/9933; www.hartmannrr.com

LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK (67 Kirk St., Lowell, MA): Free trolley rides daily Mar.-Nov., 9 AM-5 PM; call for schedule other times; closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Day. **Info:** 67 Kirk St., Lowell, MA 01852; 978-970-5000; www.nps.gov/lowe

NEW ENGLAND TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM (in ex-B&M/CV Amtrak White River Jct. station): Call for hours. **Info:** 100 Railroad Row, White River Jct., VT 05001; 802-291-9838; www.newenglandtransportationmuseum.org

PALMER PUBLIC LIBRARY RAILROAD RESEARCH CENTER: For open hours, call or check website. **Info:** 1455 North Main St., Palmer, MA 01069; 413-283-3330; www.palmerlib.ma.us

PROVIDENCE & WORCESTER RAILFAN CLUB & MUSEUM (equipment display at Main St. P&W crossing, Webster, MA): Preserved caboose open 3rd Thurs. each month for club meeting. **Info:** 3 Davis St., Webster, MA 01570; www.pwrrc.org

RHODE ISLAND RR MUSEUM (ex-NYP&B/NH/PC/Amtrak depot, 1 Railroad Ave., West Kingston, RI): Open

Sat.-Sun. 3-6 PM or by appointment. **Info:** PO Box 191, West Kingston, RI 02892; no phone; <http://members.cox.net/kingstonstation/>

SALISBURY POINT RR HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Maintains ex-**B&M** Salisbury Point, MA depot at Lower Millyard, Amesbury, MA. Archives at 9 Water St., Amesbury open year-round, *Wed.* 7-9 PM. **Info:** PO Box 499, Amesbury, MA 01913; <http://salisburypoint.tnsing.com>

STEAMING TENDER RESTAURANT (*in restored 1885 H.H. Richardson-designed ex-B&A depot, 28 Depot St., Palmer, MA*): Open year-round *Wed.-Sat.*, 11 AM-9 PM, *Sun.* 12 noon-8 PM; take-out or sit-down service available. 'Stuffed and mounted' 1915 Porter 0-6-0 102 and rebuilt ex-**NH** 'copper-clad' coach 1161 [*some on-board dinner theatre...*] displayed at New England's best train-watching site; railfans welcome! **Info:** 28 Depot St., Palmer, MA 01069; 413-283-2744; www.steamingtender.com

STEAMTOWN (*150 South Washington St., Scranton, PA*): Open *daily*: May-Dec., 9 AM-5 PM (ex. *Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Day*); Jan.-Apr.: 9 AM-4 PM; entrance fee \$6. **Info:** 150 South Washington St., Scranton, PA 18503; 570-340-5200/ 888-693-9391; www.nps.gov/stea

SWANTON DEPOT MUSEUM (*ex-CV depot, 58 South River St.*): Open by appointment. **Info:** Swanton Historical Society, PO Box 235, Swanton, VT 05488; 802-868-3892.

WALKER TRANSPORTATION COLLECTION (*117 Cabot St., Beverly, MA*): open year-round *Wed.* 7-10 PM or by appointment. **Info:** Beverly Historical Society, 117 Cabot St., Beverly, MA 01915; 978-922-1186; www.walkertrans.org

WALKWAY OVER THE HUDSON (*Ex-CNE/NH 1888 Hudson River cantilever bridge, preserved as a park*): **Bridge open for pedestrians, dawn to dusk.** **Info:** PO Box 889, Poughkeepsie, NY 12602; 845-454-9649; www.walkway.org

WENHAM MUSEUM (*132 Main St., Wenham, MA*): Six operating model railroads, toy train collection, other railroad memorabilia. Open year-round, *Tu.-Sun.*, 10 AM-4 PM. **Info:** 132 Main St., Wenham, MA 01984; 978-468-2377; www.wenhammuseum.org

WENTWORTH DEPOT MUSEUM (*ex-B&M depot, 25 Eastside Rd., Wentworth, NH*): Open by appointment. **Info:** Wentworth Historical Society, Wentworth, NH; 603-764-9379 or 603-764-5894.

WESTERN GATEWAY HERITAGE STATE PARK (*115 State St., North Adams, MA*): HQ in ex-**B&M** North Adams freight house; exhibits on **Hoosac Tunnel**. Open *daily* 10 AM-5 PM (ex. *Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's Day*). **Info:** 115 State St., Bldg. 4, North Adams, MA 01247; 413-663-6312; www.mass.gov/dcr/parks/western/wghp.htm

WISCASSET, WATERVILLE & FARMINGTON (*97 Cross Rd., Alna, ME*): Open *Sats.* 9 AM-5 PM, also *Suns.* Memorial Day-Columbus Day. **Info:** PO Box 242, Alna, ME 04535-0242; 207-882-4193; www.wwfry.org

TRANSPORTATION NOTICES

Through FEB. 14 "**MAKING TRACKS**," Connecticut River Museum, Essex, CT. Classic model trains, RR paintings, operating HO scale model RR. 10 AM-5 PM, *ex. Mon.* Adm. \$8. **Info:** 67 Main St., Essex, CT 06426; 860-767-8269; **e-mail:** crm@ctrivermuseum.org; www.ctrivermuseum.org

JAN. 30-31 AMHERST RAILWAY SOCIETY RR HOBBY SHOW, Eastern States Exposition, Memorial Ave., West Springfield, MA. *Sat.* 9 AM-5 PM; *Sun.* 10 AM-5 PM. Daily adm. \$10; daily parking \$5.

MAR. 20-21 SOUTH SHORE MODEL RR CLUB SHOW/OPEN HOUSE, 9 AM-4 PM at Club HQ, Bldg. 51, Bare Cove Park, and South Shore Country Club, 274 South St, Hingham, MA. Adm. \$5 (both days). **Info:** Box 170, Hingham, MA 02043; 781-740-2000; www.ssmrc.org

MAR. 27-28 GREENBERG'S GREAT TRAIN SHOW, Shriners Auditorium, 99 Fordham Rd., Wilmington, MA. 10 AM-4 PM both days. Adm. \$7 (both days). **Info:** Box 34, Elmhurst, IL 60126; 630-279-4087 (fax: 240-597-4482); **e-mail:** staff@greenbergshows.com; www.greenbergshows.com

APR. 16 FLYING YANKEE FUNDRAISING CELEBRATION, Executive Court, 13500 South Willow St., Manchester, NH. 6-11 PM. Cocktails, silent auction, dinner, entertainment. Tickets \$60. **Info:** Flying

Yankee Restoration Group, Box 145, North Woodstock, NH 03262; 603-881-3317; **e-mail:** *flyingyankee@usa.net*; www.flyingyankee.com