

**Upcoming  
events**

**JULY 6  
Open House @  
the Mooney's**

**JULY 21  
Open House @  
the Rozema's**

**AUGUST 11  
Open House @  
the Lloyd's**

**AUGUST 18  
Open House @  
the Graves's**

**AUGUST 25  
Open House @  
the Amsler's**

**SEPTEMBER 15  
Open House @  
the Barber's**

# Backyard Railroaders

*10th YEAR*

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**A Railroad, a water feature, and beautiful flowers, who  
could ask for anything more.**

***THE FRASER'S Open house June 23rd. It was a hot humid day but a nice group was present for an enjoyable afternoon. We even had trains running!! The Fraser's Gardens are terrific as you will see in some of the photos below.***



**THE TRAINS**



**THE GROUP**



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**DO YOU KNOW????????????**



**Any idea how this Milwaukee Road box car got bent out of shape?**

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**DO YOU KNOW  
WHO THIS  
GARDEN RAIL-  
ROADER IS ????**

*Give up see page 5 for answers.*

*A trip to the Wright's for  
The "Full Table Fair" June 8 & 9 in Holland Centre  
Visit [www.thefulltablefair.blogspot.ca](http://www.thefulltablefair.blogspot.ca)*

While at the Fair we checked out Garry & Birgit's site for their future Garden Railway and of course we had some homemade pizza cooked in a wood burning pizza oven built by Garry. The pictures below are of their house, shop, vendors, pizza oven and site of future railway.



**Photo top left House built by Garry  
Photo top right shop built by Garry  
Photo center left pottery by Brigit  
Photo center right pizza oven built by Garry  
Photo left car sitting in middle of future pond for railway  
Anyone need rocks call Garry he has a few.  
We would recommend that you try to attend the Fair in 2014.**

## Answers to “Do You Know???”

The car was bent out of shape from rising dough. I don't know why it was shipped in a boxcar but was left in the sun and this is what happened. “The end” is that of our host for June 23rd Open House.

### RECIPE OF THE MONTH

*From York Central Railways  
Dining Car*

#### Spicy Shrimp Puttanesca Makes 4 servings

##### INGREDIENTS

8 OZ uncooked linguine, capellini or spaghetti  
1 tbs olive oil  
12 oz medium shrimp, peeled and deveined  
4 cloves garlic, minced  
3/4 tps red pepper flakes  
1 cup finely chopped onion  
1 can (about 14 oz) no-salt-added stewed tomatoes, undrained  
2 tbs tomato paste  
2 tbs chopped pitted kalamata or black olives  
1 tbs drained capers  
1/4 cup chopped fresh basil or parsley



##### DIRECTIONS

1. Cook linguine according to package directions, omitting salt. Drain and set aside
2. meanwhile, heat oil in large nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add shrimp, garlic and red pepper flakes: cook and stir 3 to 4 minutes or until shrimp are opaque. Transfer shrimp mixture to bowl with

slotted spoon and set aside.

3. Add onion to same skillet, cook over medium heat 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add tomatoes with juice, tomato paste, olives and capers, simmer uncovered for 5 minutes
4. Return shrimp mixture to skillet, simmer 1 minute. Stir in basil and simmer 1 minute. Serve over pasta.

*enjoy*

**Ray's been busy this spring.** Along with the installation of his new concrete buildings he's added a new freight yard. He felt his railroad was getting a little tired looking so he's making a few other changes to freshen it up. Looking good. All railroads need the odd change even if it's only to keep the owner happy. For most of us it's the building of it more than the running of it.



## Brian's about ready for a work party.

As you can see by the three photos on the left below he begun his raised benchwork for one end of his railroad. The middle photo shows the liftout bridge for the man door into the garage and shows a car on the first test run. The bottom shows some of the Rail Yard. The photo to the right show that the splined roadbed for one leg of the Wye is taking shape. One more like this curved the opposite way and he's ready for a work party. I believe the wye will be installed on the benchwork shown top left and the track will continue across the back of the garage and turn and follow the fence around the rest of the yard to the deck at the back of his house. The track and switches shown are all hand laid. The splined roadbed will continue around the yard and Brian will place window screening over the spline which will hold the ballast but allow drainage. It's nice to see the progress he's made. He was delayed by a few other projects with a higher priority. We're looking forward to helping him with the next phase of construction.



The  
“ONTARIO NORTHERN RAILWAY”  
is taking shape.