



# Key Valley Railway

## The Railway That Ran to a River ...and Stopped. by Craig Dunn

The Key Valley Railway was located in the Muskoka region, a major area for logging in the province of Ontario from about 1919 until 1935. Sixteen miles long, the railway connected to the CPR main line at Pakesley, ran on the north side of the Key River to Lost Channel on the Pickerel River, and stopped. It's primary function was to move the enormous amounts of lumber being logged in that area to market. The busy season for passenger travel was the autumn of each year as over 1,500 hunters moved into camps on the Pickerel River. With the depression controlling the economy of the 1930s, the mill was unable to sell the lumber that was already cut and were forced to close. Over a million board feet of lumber were sold for a small fraction of their value. The locomotives moved on to other places. The flat cars owned by the KVR went to scrap and all structures of any value were dismantled, as was the case with the mill. The 70 lb rails were lifted in 1935 and sold. With that, the KVR ceased to exist and is now only a memory for a few in an under-populated part of the province.

A number of drawings have been included with the material on the *Key Valley Railway* for any reader that would like to attempt to model the KVR.

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