

The Danish Tram Historical Society
Skjoldenæsholm Tram Museum

Presentation in
Christchurch, October 2016

Sporvejshistorisk Selskab / the Danish Tram Historical Society was founded on 8 February 1965. The purpose of the Society is to extend knowledge of public transport in a non-political, idealistic manner

The Society's many activities includes:

- Preservation and restoration of trams and equipment
- Research into urban and traffic history
- Publication of books, etc.
- Publication of the bimonthly periodical "BYtrafik".
- Members meetings in Copenhagen, Odense and Aarhus
- Journeys for members to tramway cities abroad

The Society has about **1250** members, who have many interests, including:

- Traffic history
- Modern public transport
- Tram services / Urban railways
- Trolley and bus services
- Types of trams and buses
- Tickets

At the time of the Society's foundation, the transition from trams to buses was already in full swing in Copenhagen.

Right from the inaugural meeting, the idea of preserving and restoring the fast-disappearing trams was conceived, so that future generations might be able to see and experience the old trams

Since 1965, the Society has managed to acquire more than 100 trams, trolley buses and petrol/diesel buses. Some of them are used to restore other items, while others are running or displayed at **The Tram Museum Skjoldenæsholm**

Key Words:

Electric Tramways in:

- Copenhagen 1899 – 1972 (horsedrawn lines 1863 – 1915)
- Odense 1911 – 1952
- Aarhus 1904 – 1971 (horsedrawn line 1884 – 1895)
- Odense and Aarhus never modernized
- Copenhagen 100 new articulated trams 1960 – 1969
- Despite this decision taken in 1965 to close by latest 1975
- Danish Tramway Historical Society formed in 1965 and now about 1.200 members

Key Words (continued):

- Skjoldenæsholm Tramway Museum under establishment from 1971
- Opened 1978 and extended in stages with normal gauge line into the wood (1,8 kilometers) finished 1999

Highlights:

- Opening in 1978 (35.000 visitors in a year – still record)
- First normal gauge section opened in 1985
- Valby Old Depot reerected on our museum premises 1995 – 1998
- Two ex-Copenhagen articulated trams retrieved from Alexandria 2001
- Take-over of official Copenhagen collection (21 trams and 14 buses) 2003
- Melbourne tram W6 965 presented to Crown Prince Frederik and Crown Princess Mary with official visit to the museum 2006

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Tram museums in Europe



Denmark:

Skjoldenæsholm

Germany:

Bergische
Schönberger Strand
Wehmingen

Norway:

Bergen
Oslo
Trondheim

Sweden:

Djurgårdslinien
Gothenburg
Norrköping
Malmköping
Malmö

The Netherlands:

Amsterdam
Arnhem
Rotterdam
the Hague

U.K.:

Black Country Museum
Crich
East Anglia Transport Museum
Beamish Mueum

Member trips

Member trips

Many European cities possess tramway systems



Usually twice or three times a year, the Danish Tram Historical Society arranges a trip for its members to one of such tram cities. Visits to depots are arranged, and there is often a sightseeing tour with a special kind of tram

The Society also arranges journeys to other tram museums, where members can meet people, who share their interests

In general 15 to 40 members are joining the trips

Member trips

The latest trips have gone to:



Basel / Bern / Zürich (Switzerland)

Rotterdam / Arnhem / Den Haag / Utrecht (The Netherlands)

Mallorca / (Spain) – October 2016

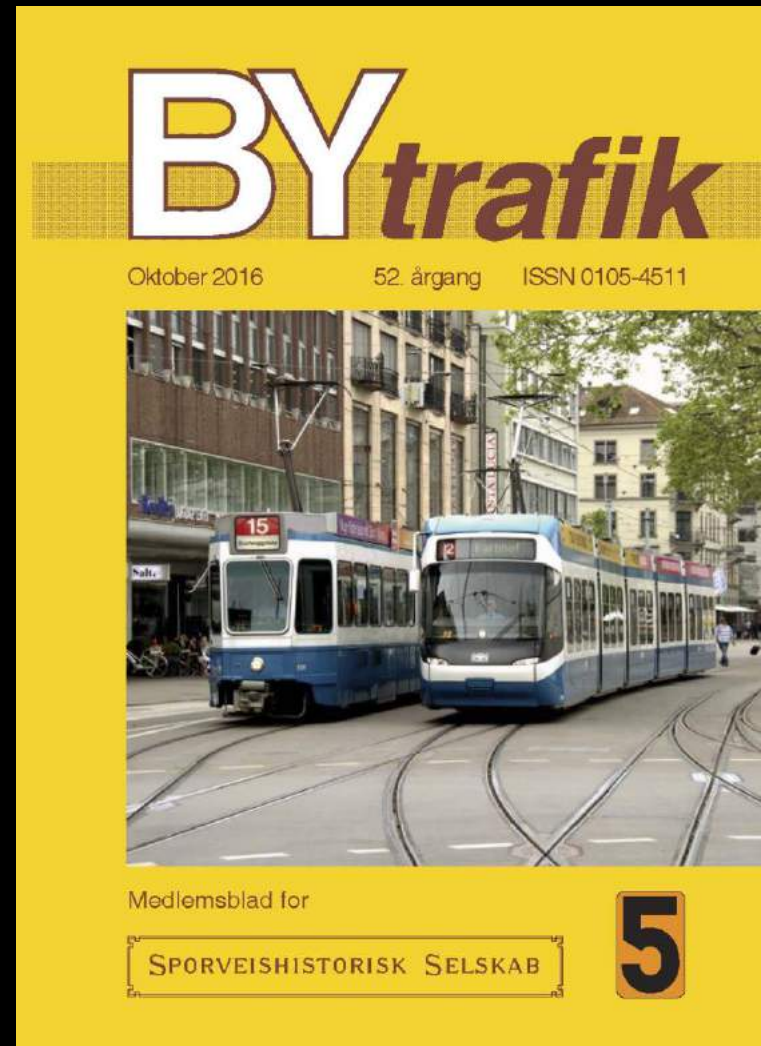
BYtrafik

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Six times a year, The Danish Tram Historical Society publishes the magazine »BYtrafik«

"BYtrafik" is the Society members' magazine. It is printed in colour, and contains about 48-60 pages, plus some extra pages with Society news.

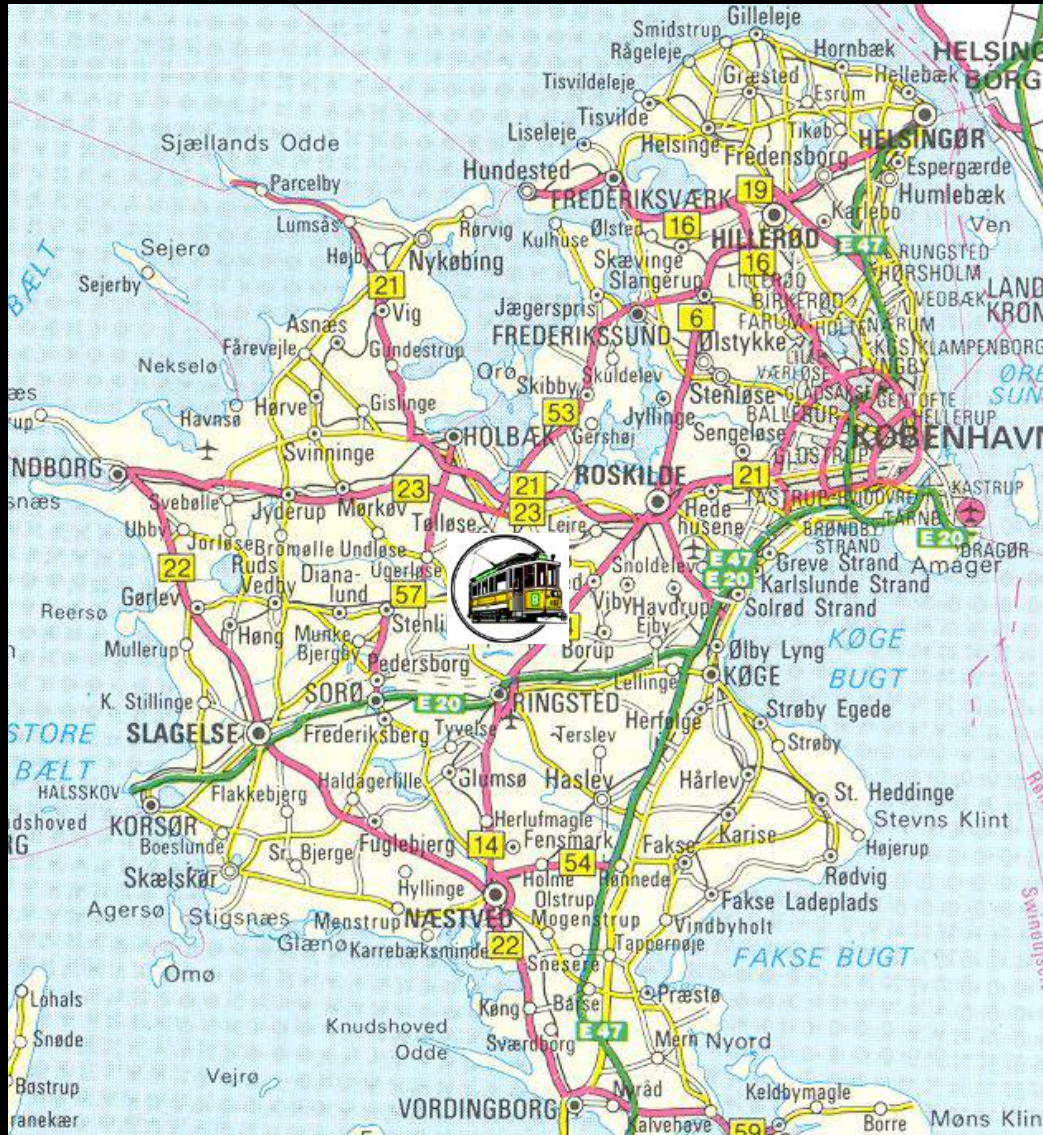
»BYtrafik« is in Danish



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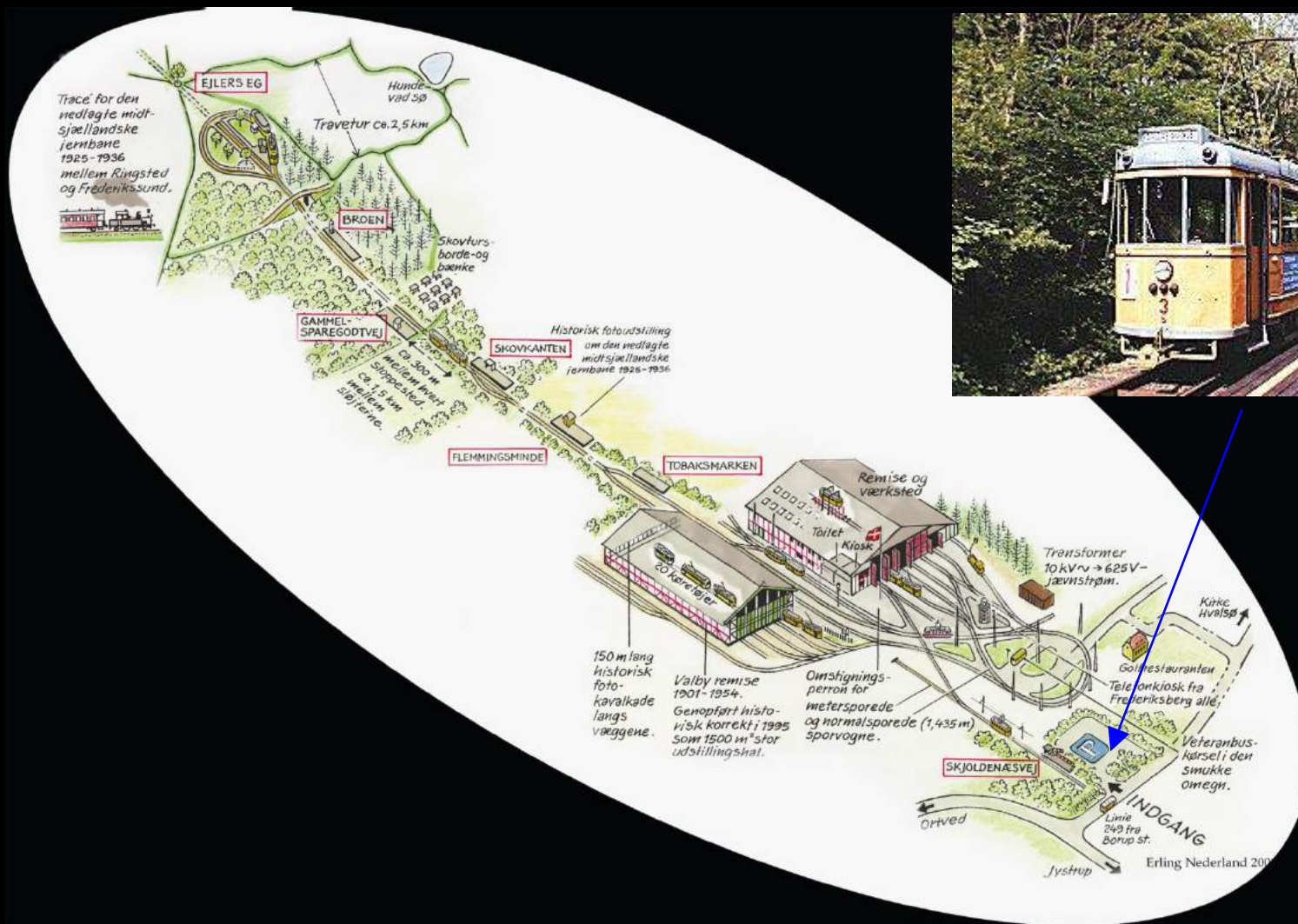
Where is the Tram Museum?



The museum is located between the cities of Roskilde and Ringsted, about 10 kilometres southwest of Copenhagen.

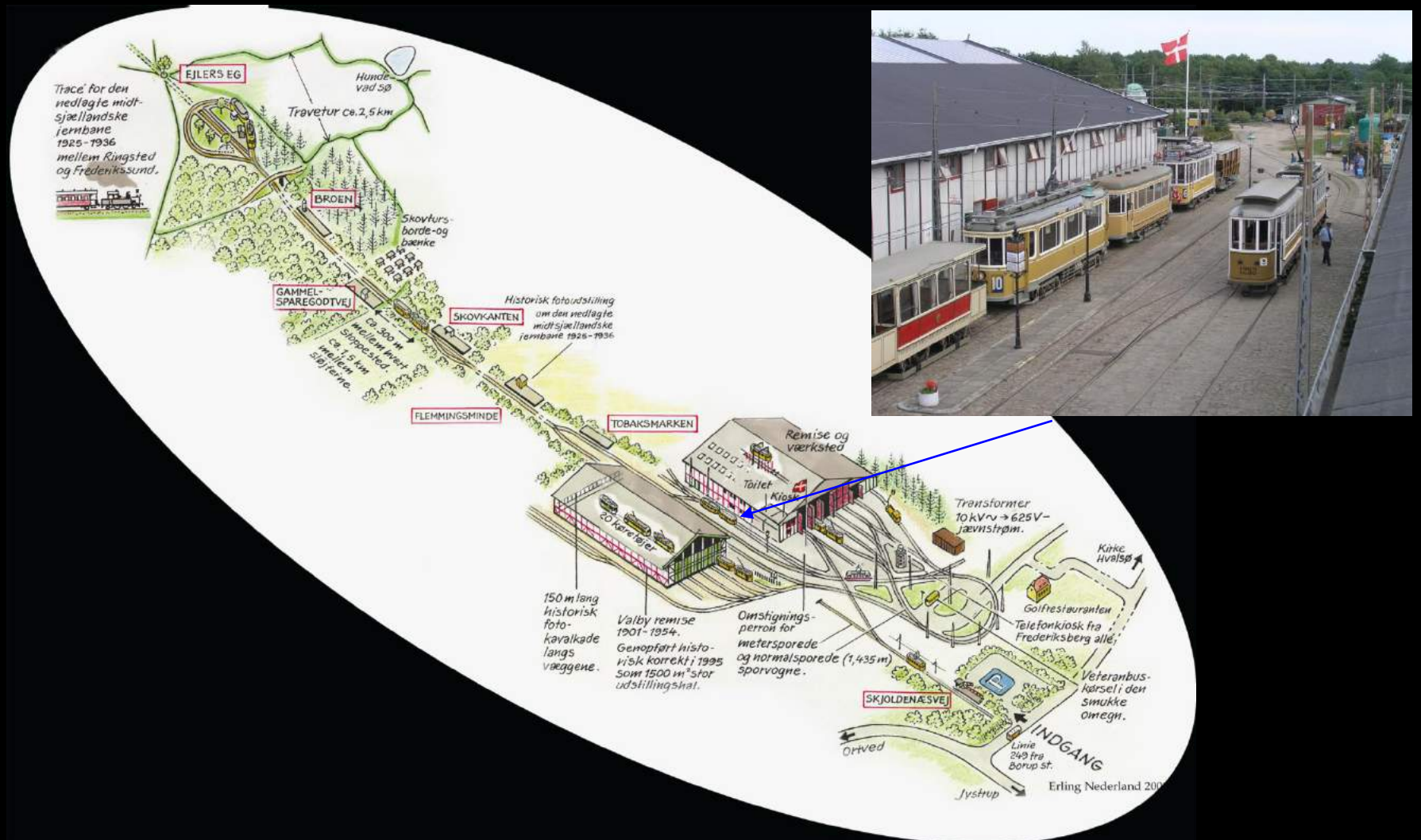
The Tram Museum Skjoldenæsholm

The entrance to the Tram museum



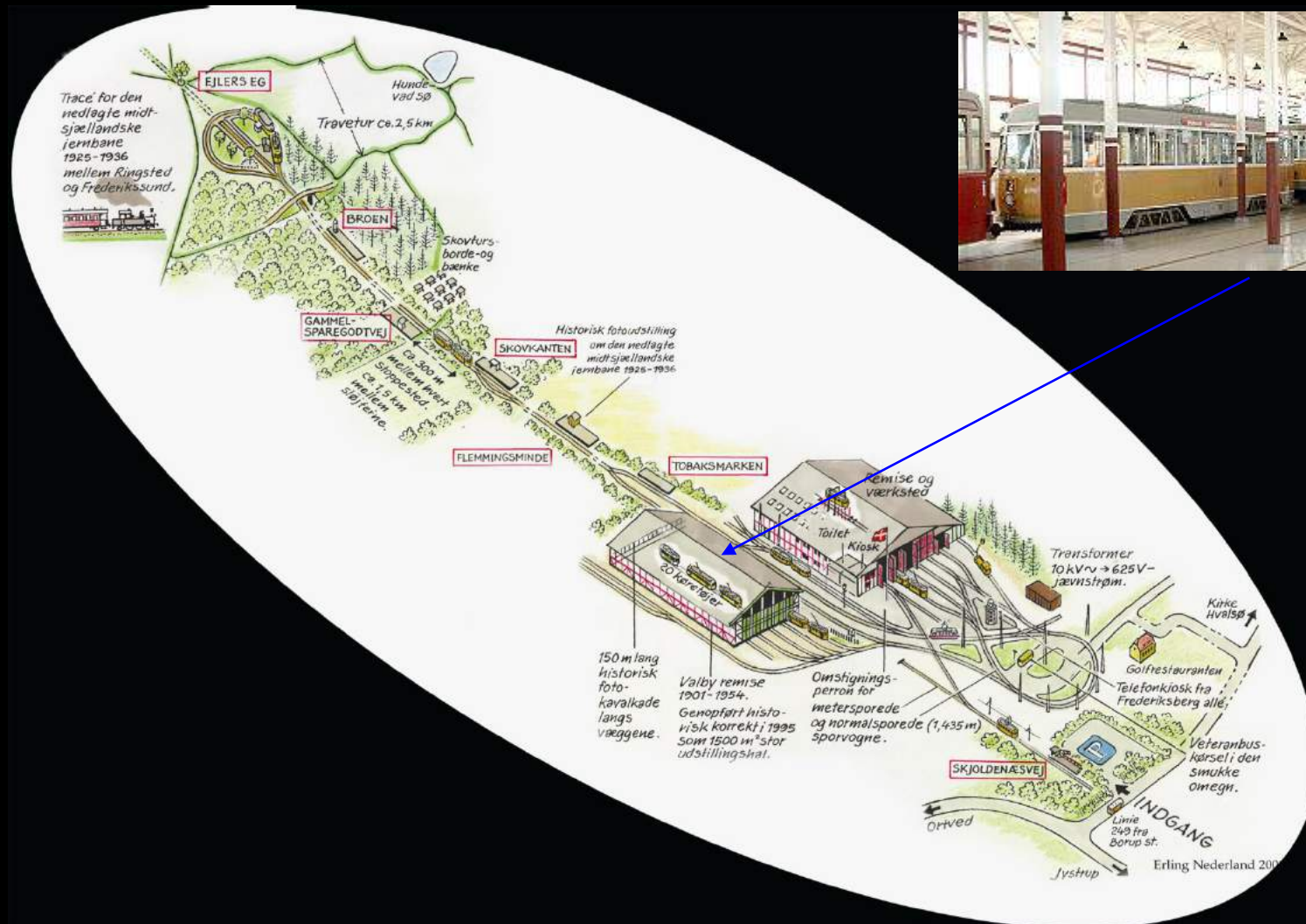
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At the depots



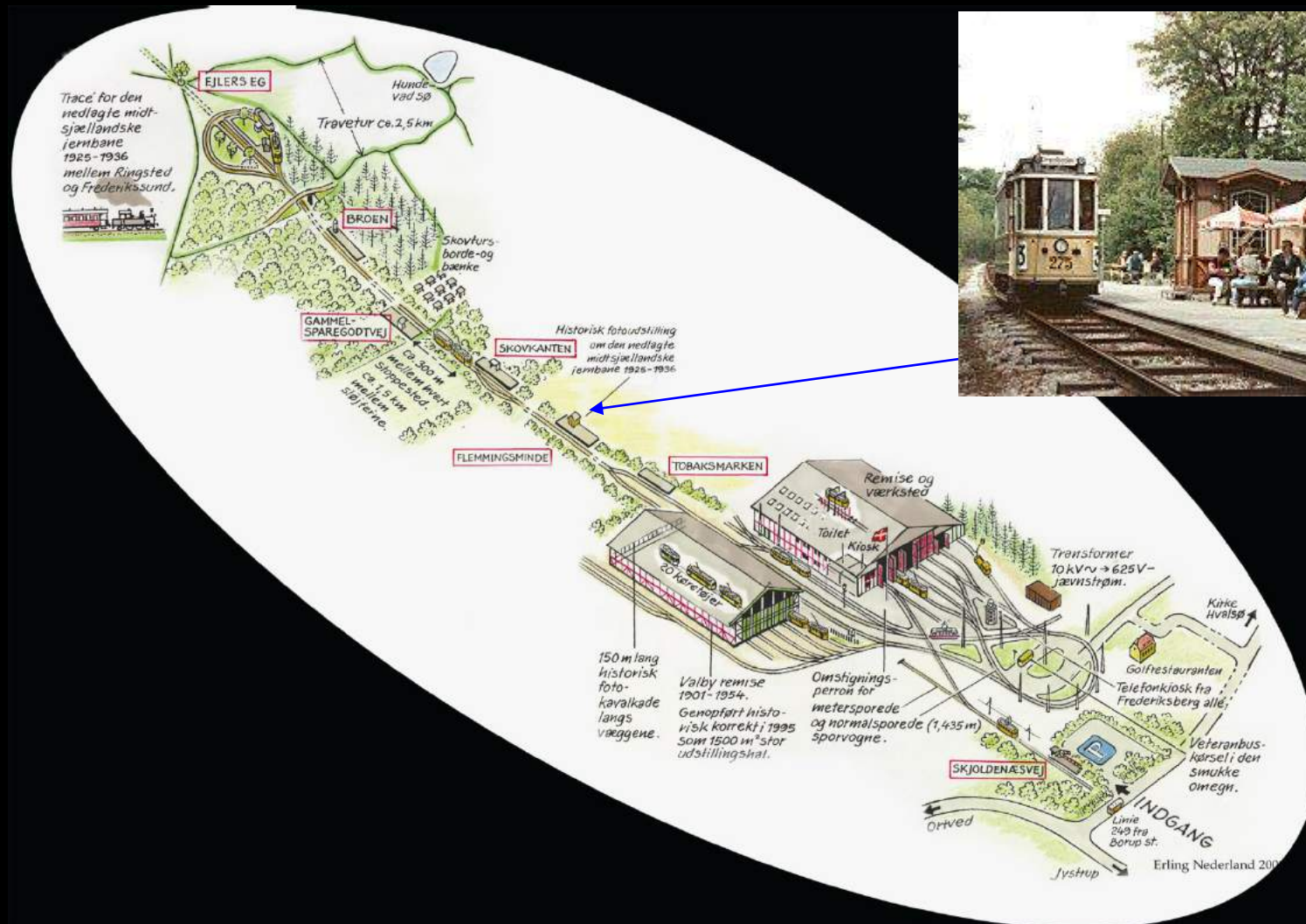
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The exhibition in the historic re-erected Valby Depot



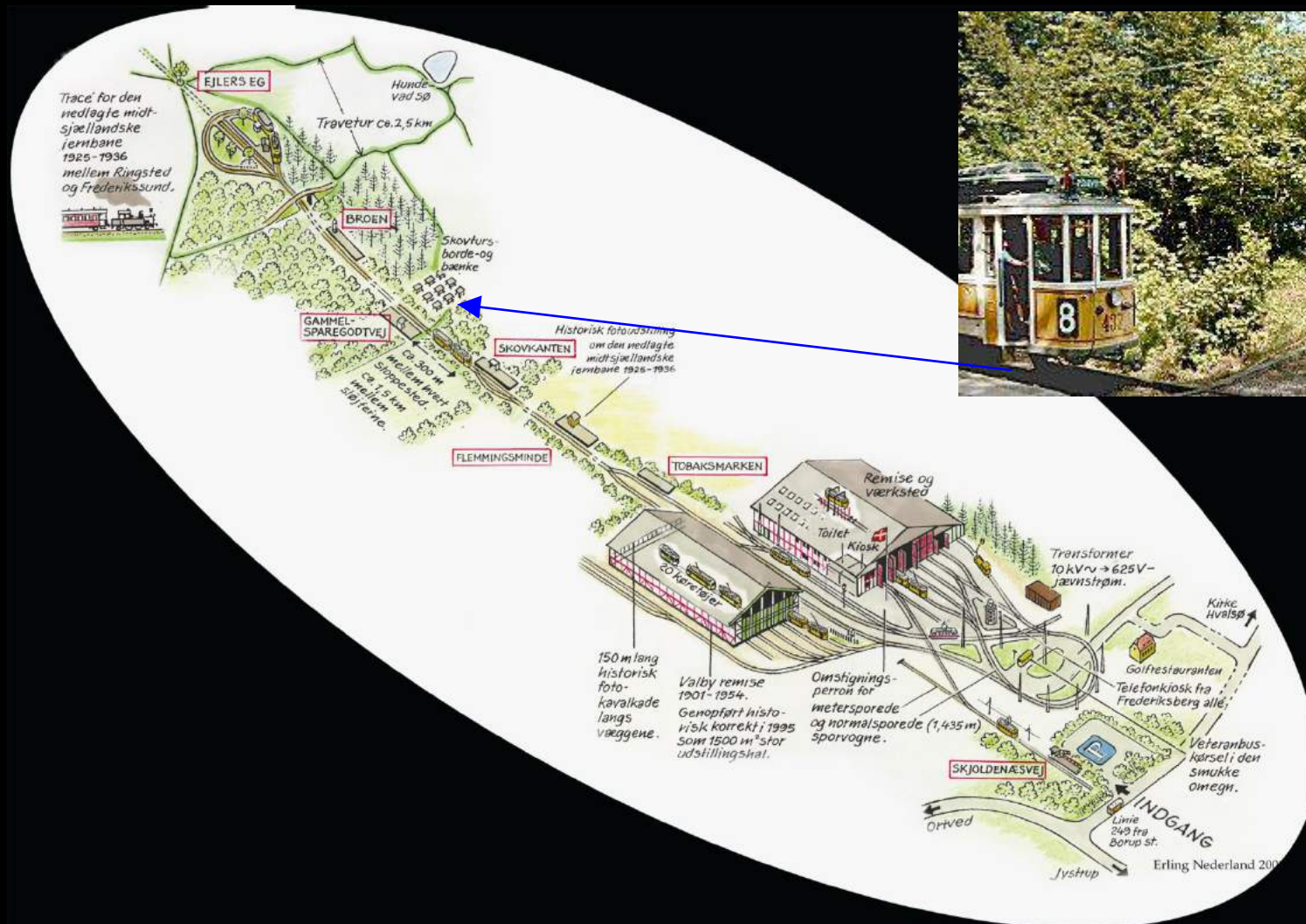
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One of the stops – Flemmings Minde



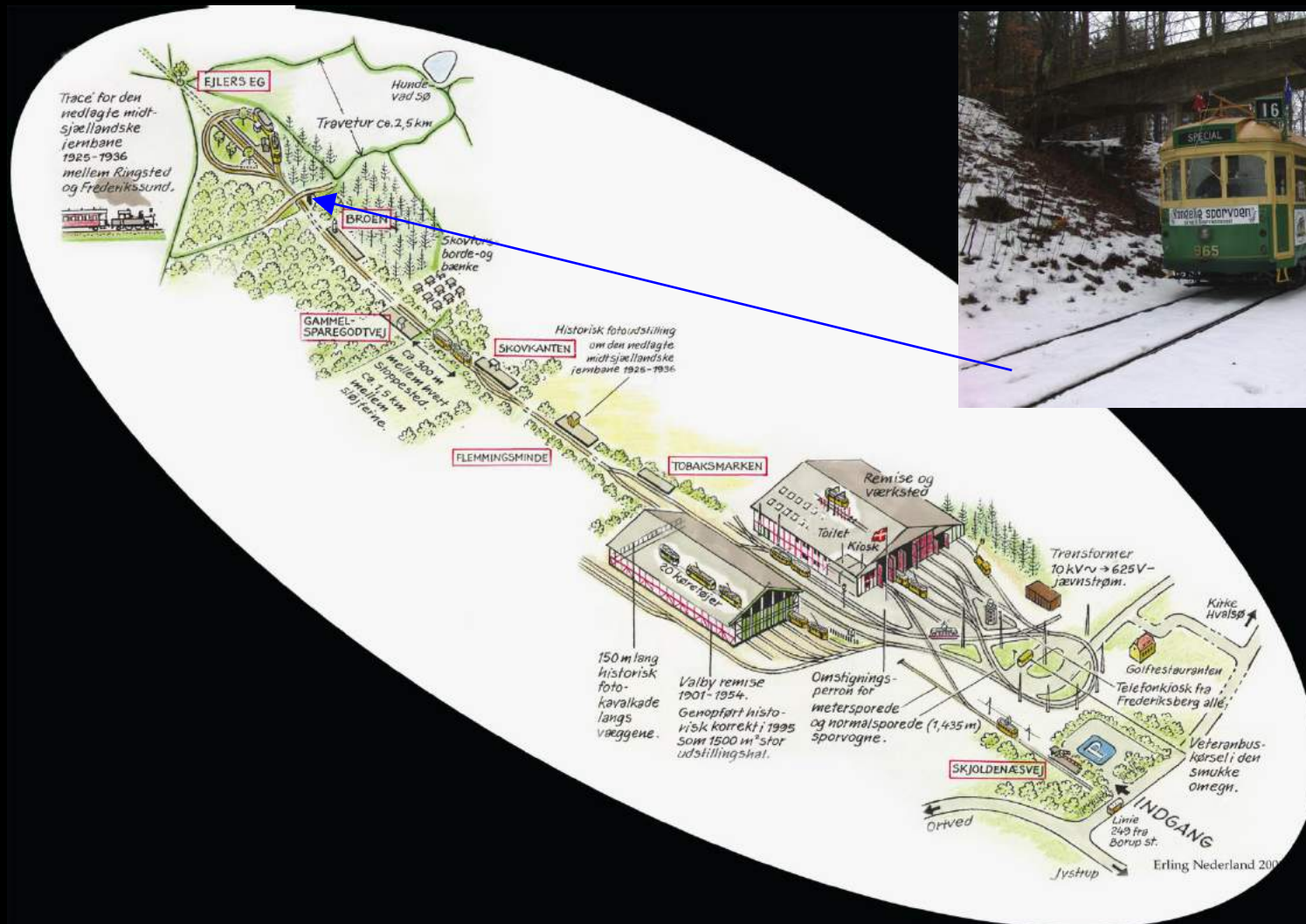
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The picnic area



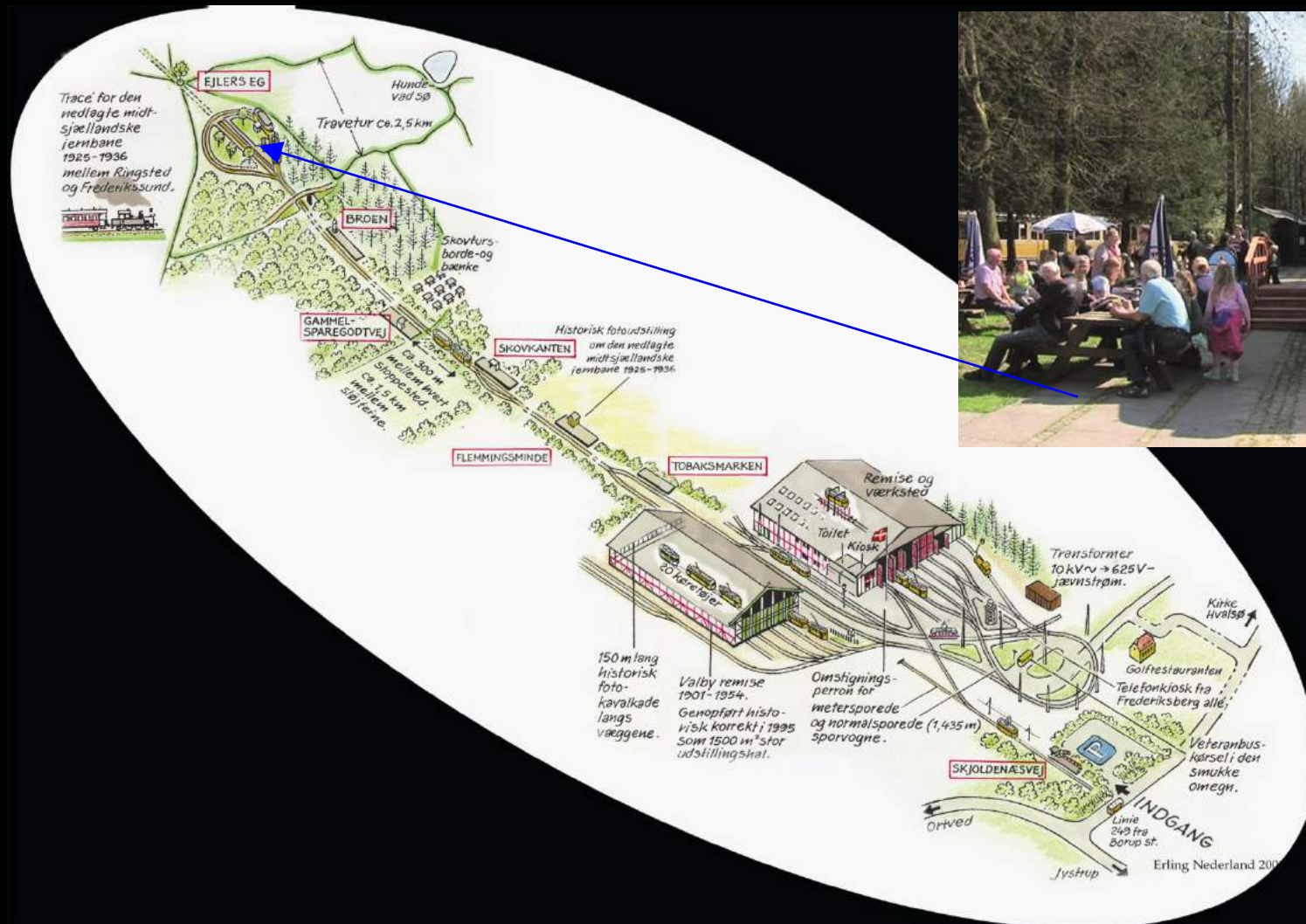
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The stop 'Broen' – The bridge



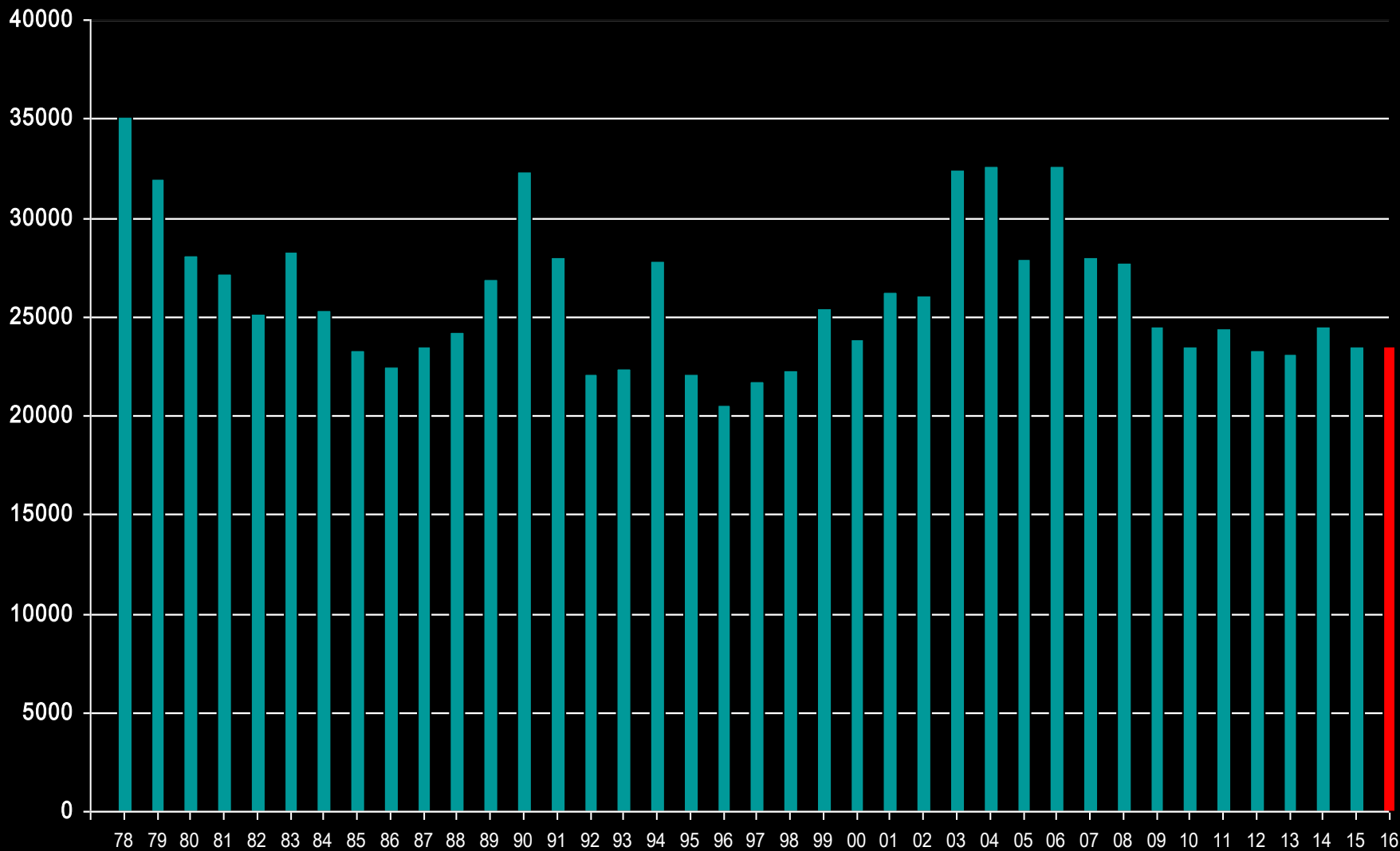
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The terminus – Eilers Eg



The Tram Museum Skjoldenæsholm

Visitors 1978 - 2016





Events

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Traffic weekends



On the museum's woodland stretch, the trams run at five minute intervals.

You will be able to see many of the Tramway Museum's different trams in operation

Events

Evening atmosphere



Twice in the course of the season, the Tramway Museum stays open until 10.00 pm.

When it gets dark the tram lights are turned on, and you can see how the coloured lamps distinguish the individual lines.

Events

Evening atmosphere



The Copenhagen Astronomical Society invites the museum's guests on a trip through the Universe with telescopes and computers.

Events

Depot jazz concert



Last Sunday in August a yearly big band jazz concert is given in the depot. The repertoire consists of swing music and golden age jazz from the 30s and 40s, with a few Danish numbers.

Events

Rent a tram



Groups of 16 - 18 people can rent a tram, which can serve as a "base" while visiting the museum.

The trams are equipped with tables, and a tram driver will take you out into the forest.

Events

Be a tram driver



Dato:

Overvognstyrer

Under expert guidance, you can try your hand at driving a tram.

You drive from the stop and out into the museum's woodland - a stretch of almost 2 km.

Events

Horse tram and horse omnibus



The Tramway Museum can offer guests a ride on a horse tram and horse omnibus. For practical reasons, however, this can only be done on selected days in the season.



The last horse tram ran in 1915, and the last horse omnibus ran in Copenhagen in 1917.

Events

Christmas at the Tramway Museum



In December, you can experience a real Christmas atmosphere at the Museum.

Events

Christmas at the Tramway Museum



Take a ride on the Christmas tram - Line 0 - out to Eilers Eg, where Christmas trees will be on sale.

Bus activities

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The vintage bus trip



From the stop near the depots is a vintage bus waiting for taking you on a trip.

Bus activities

The vintage bus trip



The trip is going around the Valsø Lille Lake, through the wonderful historic area. The bus driver will tell you about the bus and the area.

The trip takes about 20 minutes.

Bus activities

The Night of Culture in Copenhagen



During the last 14 years buses from the museum have been in service in the City of Copenhagen starting from the Town Square.
-This year (2016) 9 buses will be in operation

Bus activities

The Night of Culture in Copenhagen



It is free to use the busses when you have a "Culture badge"

Bus activities

Rent a vintage bus

You can rent a vintage bus from the Tram Museum for birthdays, weddings, company events, films, etc.

We can transport you around the Tram Museum area, or across most of Zealand.



Restoration

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Always 5 – 7 trams and/or buses under restoration



KS 100

Built 1901

Restoration

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KS 361

Built 1915

Restoration

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HT 1388

Built 1982

Restoration

Always 5 – 7 trams and/or buses under restoration



KS 226

Built 1897

Restoration

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KS 567

Built 1908

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KS 890

Built 1966

Large scale expansion

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Key Words:

- Ringsted Municipality agrees on expansion plan for museum 2013
- Land acquired from neighbouring golf course 2014
- Large scale expansion – 2 depots each 4.000 and 900 sqm., 1 bus exhibition hall 2.700 sqm, one general storage building 3.000 sqm. and 1 truck garage 350 sqm. Totally abt. 11.000 sqm. All external leases – 10 or more – can now be vacated 2014 to 2017
- Creation of street scene with shop facades from the 40'ies to 60'ies
- Trolleybus route under planning, metre gauge line will get loop both ends and Parking area increased by about 50 percent
- Still to build a separate combined entrance/kiosk building and a heated workshop

Large scale expansion

Valby old depot
(existing)



Depot 1
(existing)

Depot 3
(41 x 100 m, 10 tracks)

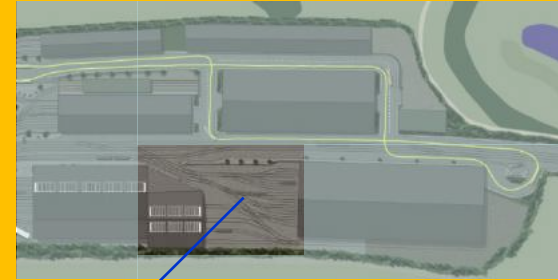
Depot 3

Large scale expansion

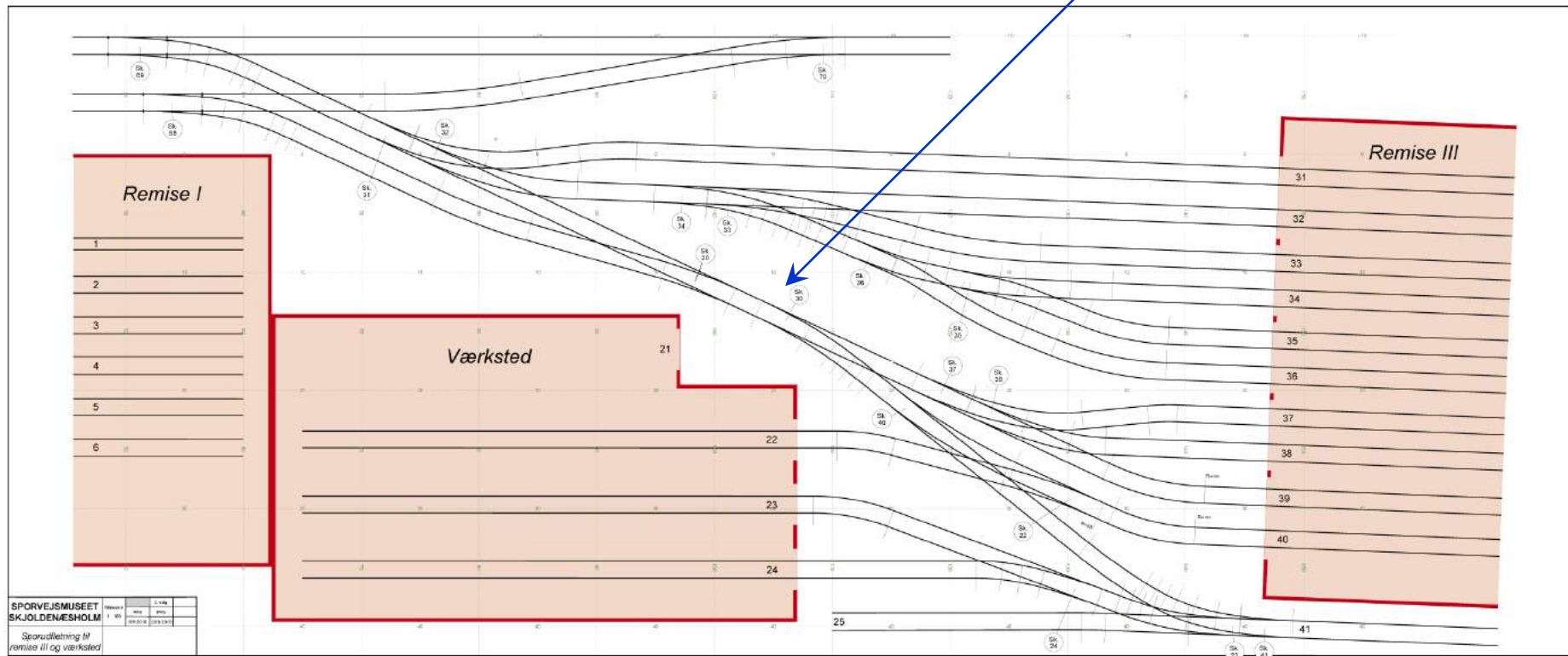


Depot 3, Dimension: 96 x 41 m, 10 tracks

Large scale expansion



Way in to Depot 3



Depot 3

Large scale expansion

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Large scale expansion

Valby Old Depot
(existing)

Bus Exhibition Hall
(33 x 82 m)



Depot 1
(existing)

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(41 x 100 m, 10 Tracks)

Bus Exhibition Hall

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Bus Exhibition
Hall

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Bus Exhibition Hall

Large scale expansion

Valby Old Depot
(existing)

General storage
Building (15 x 100 m)

Bus Exhibition Hall
(33 x 82 m)



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General storage building

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Metre gauge line loop

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Trolleybus line

The Museum today

The Museum today

- Collection today about 90 trams, 3 trolleybuses and about 45 vintage buses, of which 25 trams, 1 trolleybus and 20 buses are approved for passenger running resp. Are on license plates for public use.
- Tramway Museum Skjoldenæsholm is a Danish based international tram museum with today about 25.0000 annual visitors. The new street/shop scene scenario is expected to attract a wider range of visitors.

– and the real World of tomorrow

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New Tram Systems:

- Aarhus May 2017
- Odense End 2020
- Copenhagen 2023/24









Thank you for your attention

