



The Order Board

Newsletter of The Calgary Model Railway Society



Scene captured on Bob Hadlow's S scale layout from the Layout Tours.

Photo by Brent Ciccone

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President's Report

We had another successful weekend of Layout Tours, thanks to all the layout hosts who opened their homes for us.

Our next CMRS event coming up is the Spring Mini Meet March 15, details are below.

SUPERTRAIN is in need of volunteers for the SUPERTRAIN event itself, but also help in planning and getting ready for the big show. Our current committee has been working hard and are getting tired out, they could use your help, if not for this year but for future years.



President's Report continued...

The board is continuing to review our operating costs and is looking for ways to save money. You will see some changes at the spring meet and there may be more changes to come.

We are also looking for ideas for Rail Fan Events. If you have any contacts with railway related locations that we could visit, please let one of the Board members know.

*Greg Hancock
President, CMRS*

Layout Tours 2020

I would like to take this time to thank the hosts that took the opportunity to open their layouts to our membership. We had a record, since I have been layout tour coordinator, of twelve layouts open for viewing. It turned out to be a great week-end and there were lots of visitors. I don't have the total counts of visitors yet, but will pass them on when I get final numbers.

Again, to the hosts, thank you and I look forward to next year.

*Bain Spielman
CMRS
Layout tours*

Saturday Night SUPERTRAIN Gala

SUPERTRAIN Saturday Night Gala will be held at the Glenmore Inn, on Saturday, April 18th. At \$40 each, tickets are selling fast. Drinks are available from 5:00 pm, and dinner is served at 6:30 pm. If you have any dietary requirements (Celiac, Kosher, etc.), please advise when ordering your tickets. The Glenmore Inn can provide special meals if we provide them with sufficient advance notice. We can reserve tables for groups of six or more. Please let us know when you reserve your tickets if you wish to reserve a table as well. Laurie Kitchen will be our guest speaker at the gala.

To reserve your Gala tickets, contact Jeffrey Burk at gala@supertrain.ca (preferred method), or at 403-613-0603 and leave a message with name, return phone number and number of tickets and Jeffrey will call you back for a confirmation. Tickets can be purchased and picked up at the Mini Meets on March 15th, and at the Volunteer Orientation meeting on April 11th. Please note that you have up to a week prior to the show to purchase your gala ticket, so don't wait and order them now.

*Jeffrey Burk
Saturday Gala Coordinator*

A Message from Friends of Champion Park (FoCP)

This spring and summer, the FoCP will be reaching the stage where augmentation of this heritage CPR themed rural railway park will be formally becoming available for use. To this end the "old" group of volunteers need augmentation in all spheres including track gang, operating crew, maintenance and restoration of smaller pieces, and very importantly, interpretation of Champion Park and the Champion Park Railway. Interested people are invited to watch the Champion Park website where postings will appear, along with details on how to become involved.



SUPERTRAIN 2020

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SUPERTRAIN VOLUNTEERS

In the absence of a Volunteer Coordinator, enrolment for SUPERTRAIN Volunteers will be different this year. There won't be an email invite sent to you. Instead, each of the Committee Leads will be filling up their own volunteer schedule. Some may have contacted you already and asked if you could do the same job as last year. The Committee will also be at the Mini Meets on Sunday, March 15th, to take your name and schedule you for a shift or a few. If you can't come to the Mini Meets, please apply by visiting our website, <http://supertrain.ca>, and click Volunteers from the main page. We are asking your collaboration to help the Committee Leads filling all the volunteer shifts each of them has, so we are up for another smooth and successful show again.

March is a very busy month for the SUPERTRAIN Committee. Advertising starts this month, and we usually see more activities on social media. The floor plan and exhibitors list are available on our website, www.supertrain.ca. The schedule for the clinics and demos is also updated and posted on the website. To save hundreds of dollars on postage, we no longer mail posters to members. Some will be available at the Mini Meet on March 15th, or the poster can be found on our website, under General Information, and printed.

SUPERTRAIN admissions can be pre-purchased online. The general one-day pre-purchased admission is \$12 (Ticket booth price is \$15). Visitors who have pre-purchased their admission will have their on-line ticket scanned and will be given their wristband at a fast lane booth. To order, go to <http://supertrain.ca> and click on Online Advance Tickets.

*Daniel Charest
Chairman, SUPERTRAIN 2020*

For Sale

I have some old vintage HO buildings, bridge piers etc. I need to get rid of (downsizing)

<https://www.kijiji.ca/v-view-details.html?adId=1482108738>

<https://www.kijiji.ca/v-view-details.html?adId=1481761886>

Dave Sitar davesitar@hotmail.com

For Sale

Model Rectifier Corporation

Dual Power, Model UC 2001

Dual Circuit Breaker Protected

Dual Cab Control Fixed DC, Accessories AC

Output Cab #1: 0-12 volts DC, track DC, 1 AMP

Output Cab #2: 0-12 volts DC, Accessories DC! 1 AMP

Looking for a reasonable \$\$ offer that in turn will be donated to the Calgary Food Bank.

Contact Gordon at ringingrails@shaw.ca



<p>MEMBERSHIPS</p> <p>Calgary Model Railway Society memberships can be purchased or renewed at any of our events or by mail. Cost is \$10 per year, running from July 1 to June 30. Multi-year memberships are also available. Membership forms can be printed from our website.</p> <p>Completed forms and payment can be mailed to:</p> <p>The Calgary Model Railway Society PO Box 8071, Station A Calgary, AB T2H 0H7</p>	<p>ADVERTISING</p> <p>Do you have some Model Railroad related items for sale, or perhaps something rare you want? Consider an ad in the Orderboard. Text ads run free of charge for members (provided the ad is relatively small), we can run the ad a second time if requested. Commercial ads are \$15/year for a business card size ad, more for a larger size.</p> <p>Contact the Editor at orderboard@calgarymodelrailway.ca for details.</p> <p>Deadline for the next issue is March 25, 2020</p>
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<p>For Sale</p> <p>Cranes, Oil Service Rig, Over size loads with trucks and trailers, Oil field trucks and trailers, Road construction equipment, Semi trailer units, Semi tractors. Tanker units, Low boy trailers, Flat bed trailers, Cattle liners, 53ft trailers, Flat bed trucks and more types of trucks and loads Some built by Top Dog Models</p> <p>Cash only Monty Schnieder mschnied@telus.net 403-818-6946</p> <p>G-Gauge For Sale All items MNIB ; AristoCraft Victorian TrainStation \$40 ; REA/AristoCraft 40ft. open top Gondola (CV mkd) \$30; AristoCraft U-25B (GenElectric mkd) \$130 ; AristoCraft 40ft. covered Gondola Kits (Undecorated) \$30ea ; AristoCraft Operation LifeSaver (SE) 40ft. Box car \$70 ; USATrains 44Ton (Undecorated) \$250 ; N scale - 3pk Athearn 30k gal Tankers (TILX mkd) \$30; contact DougC at rockinbrr@hotmail.com rockinbrr@hotmail.com</p>



Spring Mini Meet

As outlined in the last OrderBoard, we will make use of the Glenmore East room for both the CMT Fleamarket and the model display. The Fleamarket will end at 11:00 and sellers should have all of their wares out of the room by 12:00. Models can then be displayed in that room from 12:00 to 3:00. During the Spring Mini Meet we do not have a separate room for lunch and so many members use the Glenmore East room for lunch. This will continue to be possible, however, we need all concerned to keep food and beverages well away from displayed models. Thanks for your cooperation. Below are the clinics and times scheduled for the Mini Meet.

Name	Time	Subject
Laurie Kitchen	11:00 AM	<p>Understanding Electrical Switches and Relays.</p> <p>This clinic is the second in a series intended for those who feel somewhat intimidated by electricity and wiring. It will focus on understanding terminology around electrical switches and relays, electronic switches versus mechanical switches, specialty switches and relays and their uses, how to pick the right switch or relay for the job, common model railroad applications such as light control, block control, reverse loops, wyes, turntables, switch machines, train detection, multiple throttles, computer interface.</p>
Ken Clark	11:00 AM	<p>Slocan Star-Silversmith Mines Ltd Power House</p> <p>A look at the background of the Slocan Star-Silversmith Mine Ltd, 1895-1951+. The main topic will cover the Hydro system from Carpenter Creek & Cody Creek to the plant and the power plant building. The plant provided compressed air and electrical power for the mine and mill. Models of the hydro system and building will be displayed.</p>
Tom Price	1:00 PM	<p>“Is Anyone There?”</p> <p>The clinic will review the communication challenges faced by new immigrants to Canada. Development and use of the CPR telegraph service as well as the Railway Mail Service will be presented.</p>
Brian Keay	1:00 PM (2 hours)	<p>How to read Canadian Railroad Signals</p> <p>Railroad signals on CN and CP (and some US railroads) tell the engineer and conductor the route and the maximum speed their train can take through an interlocking. This information is displayed to the train using: a) one, two or three searchlights displaying a combination of colours (red, yellow and/or green), b) solid and/or flashing lights, and c) the use of placards on the signal mast. As can be imagined, the combination of these factors can make signals difficult to understand to rail fans. To add to the confusion, signals can also be displayed on tall masts or dwarf signals. What is fascinating about the signal displayed is that it indicates to the crew not only what they need to do at the signal they are approaching but also what to expect at the next signal. This clinic will focus on how to read the majority of Canadian railroad signals using 5 simple steps and what information signals are conveying to the train crew.</p>
Rob Badmington	2:00 PM	<p>Rail – From Mill to Mainline (and beyond)</p> <p>Rail is the most fundamental component of railroads, and this clinic will take you on a photographic journey through every aspect the product. See how rail is made, transported, welded, installed, maintained, cascaded, repurposed, and ultimately, recycled. The presenter spent much of his career with both major Canadian railways in the engineering and purchasing functions, dealing specifically with rail. Some of his behind-the-scenes photos cannot be seen anywhere else.</p>



2020 CMT Annual Fleamarket

It's nearly last call!! No, not at your favourite pub; it's getting near time for the 2020 Calgary Model Trainmen's Club Annual Fleamarket! March 15 is close. Your time is limited for getting a table for the CMT Fleamarket. This event will be held together with the CMRS Spring Mini Meet. Spend a day with CMRS. Visit the Fleamarket from 8:30 am to 11:00 am, see modelling displays after noon, attend the series of interesting and always informative clinics beginning at 11:00 am presented by CMRS. As always, enjoy visiting friends. Plus lunch is included for CMRS members.

Your TODO checklist-

- 1/ book your table or tables NOW
- 2/ gather your surplus model railroad supplies for sale SOONEST
- 3/ circle the date on your calendar

The facts:

Date- Sunday March 15, 2020

Time- 8:30 a.m.

Location- Glenmore Inn, corner of Glenmore Trail and Ogden Road

Tables- \$20 for standard 2' X 8' size table

(Half tables can be booked for \$10. We will try to match someone to share the table with you)

Tables always go quickly, so don't miss out. As of the writing, we have 45 1/2 tables booked out of a maximum of 46. To reserve a table, please contact me at bharrow@nucleus.com or call 403-201-4937.

In the words of Carl Smith and June Carter, Times a-Wasting!

*Brookes Harrow
CMT*

When Trains Ruled the Rockies; My Life at the Banff Station

"When Trains Ruled the Rockies" is a history of the Banff Train Station during the period 1948 through 1962. Author Terry Gainer draws on his memories and experiences from those halcyon years when he lived and worked at the CPR station, as well as archival information and photos. The story documents life at the station, the trains that came to Banff and the huge role of the railway within the Banff community. A book signing will follow this presentation. Thursday, April 16, 2:00 P.M. At Heritage Park.

I have read this book and it paints a very interesting picture of life at the Banff Station.

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RAILROAD PROTOTYPE MODELERS MEET

FRIDAY - SATURDAY, MARCH 13 - 14, 2020

ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

703 HERITAGE DRIVE S.W.

CALGARY, ALBERTA

ADMISSION: \$10, under 12: FREE

Covers Both Friday and Saturday Sessions

FRIDAY MARCH 13

19:00 - 21:00. Photo Night

Participants are invited to bring 10 to 20 digital images or slides around the theme of modelable subjects. This can include locomotives, cars, structures, bridges, scenery or almost anything else. The idea is to inspire someone to build a model. We will have a computer and digital projector so bring your photos on a thumb drive. We will even have a projector for old school slides upon request.

SATURDAY MARCH 14

09:00 - 16:00

Our goal: To provide a venue to exhibit how models are built to accurately reflect their real world counterparts past or present. Emphasis is placed on sharing information, modelling techniques and most importantly, displaying one's own models.

This is basically a "Show and Tell" meet where modellers can bring engines, rolling stock, structures, etc. to show and share techniques and to get inspired to finish their projects. There is no model judging. These items need not be in the finished state. This is a chance for interaction between builders and modellers who would like to learn from the models being shown. In other words, an exchange of ideas.

CLINICS AND PROTOTYPE PRESENTATIONS RUNNING ALL DAY

10:00 "Calgary's Canadian Government Grain Elevator (1915 to 2011)" – Scott Jolliffe

11:15 "Update/How to do Resin Casting" – Al Hough

Lunch Break Coffee, Soft Drinks and Chips available on site. Pizza will be brought in at \$5.00

12:15 - 13:00 per person for those who wish to sign up.

13:15 "The History of Royal Trains in Canada" – Doug Phillips

14:30 " RDC's in Canada " – Don Thomas

FREE DRAW TICKETS (LIMIT OF 10) FOR BRINGING YOUR MODELS FOR DISPLAY

For further information and updates, please contact:

Dave Audley, 403-275-1869 (daudley@telusplanet.net)

Wanted: Web Programming Support: CMRS SUPERTRAIN has a web-based exhibitor invitation and application process programmed in php. Like most software, it requires support to keep it current. If you would like to be on the inside of how SUPERTRAIN manages exhibitors, and know what php is, contact Jim Ironside at Info@SUPERTRAIN.ca.



Diorama and Rolling Stock Builders

Time to review your latest “production” of kitbash, scratch built and craftman kit projects. Remember the “Allie’s Icecream Shop” ? You may have accumulated two years of projects and (hopefully) not yet glued them all permanently to your layout. This is the time to decide how to show them to the general public at SUPERTRAIN.

Any scale, and any size, would be of interest. Actually, even if your model is still in some stage of construction it may also be of interest for the public. Always, please, include a card with a (short) description of the prototype and other information, including your name.

All members are welcome. And no worries, we have gained good knowledge, how to show and protect your model on special risers. Please, send me an email: bcersson@explornet.com including the footprint (size) of your model, that helps me to construct the proper riser.. Thank you for your consideration.

*BJ Ersson
CMRS Members’ Railside Diorama Showcase
Booth M-L 102*

OrderBoard Editor Wanted

After 8 years of being the editor of the OrderBoard it is time for some fresh blood. My term on the CMRS Board comes to an end in October and that will be my last issue of the OrderBoard. If you are recently retired and need something to do, this is an ideal task for you! Changes undertaken in the past few years have simplified the task of publishing the OrderBoard, it takes much less time to do than it used to.

Please consider taking on this task and contact me if you are interested. You only need a modicum of computer skills and basic english. Contact me at orderboard@calgarymodelrailway.ca for more information.

*Brent Ciccone
Editor, OrderBoard*

Coming Events Schedule

March 13-14, 2020	Prototype Modellers Meet, St. Andrews Presbyterian Church
March 15, 2020	CMT Fleamarket and CMRS Spring Mini Meet
Mar. 28, 29, 2020	Moose Jaw Model Railroad Show
April 16, 2020	When Trains Ruled the Rockies, Heritage Park 2:00 PM
April 18-19, 2020	SUPERTRAIN 2020
May 2, 3, 2020	Regina Railfest 2020 https://reginarailfest.com/railfest-2020

*Send an email to orderboard@calgarymodelrailway.ca with submissions for coming events!
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