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REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT:

In this the last newsletter before the upcoming Annual General Meeting on September 9, I want to publicly thank the Board of Directors for their dedication in building a strong basis for the Calgary Model Railway Society.

At the Annual General Meeting, we will accept membership renewals, conduct elections for one-half of the Board of Directors, and conduct the business of the Society. I urge your attendance, this is your opportunity to participate.

I would also like to draw to your attention the upcoming Third Annual CMRS Mini-Meet on October 26. The location is Cedarbrae Community Hall, 11024 Oakfield Drive S.W. This hall has a large gym space for displays, portable layouts, models, etc. In other words anything you want to bring! Part of the gym area has been set aside for current projects under construction, a popular item in previous mini-meets.

If you wish to display at the mini-meet, please call myself, Dale Sproule at 274 4852 before Sept 15. In the past, CMRS has offered the kitchen/concession area to any group who wishes to run it as a fund raiser. That offer stands again this year. Please call Dale Sproule if you are interested.

New things at the Mini-Meet for this year are: A time set aside for a question and answer session with the new Board of Directors, and some layout tours (self guided) in the evening.

Don't forget the upcoming BBQ at Champion Park, August 18. This is a fun event for the whole family.

In closing, the concept and evolution of CMRS has been most exciting for me. We started out in April 1994 with 9 people, and have been pleased to welcome 230+ new friends this year. My best wishes for continued success to the new Board of Directors, and to the membership, the future of CMRS is up to you. Thanks.

Dale N. Sproule, Chairman, CMRS

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 18, 1996
CMRS Family Picnic at Champion Park. Contact Ian 278 6394
After 7 pm

September 9, 1996
CMRS Annual General Meeting
Cedarbrae Community Hall
11024 Oakfield Dr. S.W.
7:30 pm.

October 26, 1996
CMRS Fall Mini-Meet
Cedarbrae Community Hall
11024 Oakfield Dr. S.W.

UPDATE FROM THE SECRETARY

I would urge members to mark September 9 on their calendar for the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. You will note that this mailing contains a copy of the proposed changes to the Bylaws. Please take some time to read this over. Your executive has spent considerable time on this document to come up with a set of Bylaws that will serve CMRS well. There may be areas where more work is needed as CMRS grows and evolves, there may be items you wish to have clarified. PLEASE ATTEND THE AGM so that we can do this and come out of the AGM with a working document for the new board. An example of the need for revision is in the area of a quorum for meetings of the Society.

When we started out, and only had a small membership, getting a quorum was not a problem. It is very much harder getting 60 people out to a meeting. WE NEED THOSE 60 PEOPLE to approve the revisions.

ELECTION OF NEW DIRECTORS

Dave Stefanek has agreed to act as nominations chair. His report can be found elsewhere in the newsletter. Please contact Dave about elections.

RESULTS OF SUPERTRAIN 96 MAIL-IN BALLOT:

158 ballots were sent in, 100% in favor of the proposed distribution.

Cheques have been sent out to the exhibitors.

Thanks to all who sent in their vote, we can have a shorter agenda at the AGM.

This is my final column as your CMRS secretary. Thanks to all the members who have given the Board of Directors their support and encouragement over the last two years. I would ask that you continue to give the new Board your input, feedback, and support. To the present Board, I offer a personal and heartfelt "Thanks", we were a great team!!!

Al Hough

REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FROM CMRS MEMBERS:

One of our members, Joe Cernak, is looking for help in locating movies and photos of the Jubilee Express that ran in Alberta in August of 1980 as part of the 75th Anniversary celebrations. The train ran to Drumheller, Hanna, Three Hills, Mirror, and Whitecourt. Joe is looking for pictures or movies that show the complete train, either standing or moving. The photos would be laser copied, and movies professionally transferred to VHS tape. All sources would be credited, and utmost care would be taken with originals. If you feel you may be able to help Joe with this, please contact him at the following address:

Joe Cernak
331 Whiteview Road N.E.
Calgary, AB T1Y 1P7
(403) 285 7758



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CMRS THIRD ANNUAL MINI-MEET

PLACE: CEDARBRAE COMMUNITY HALL

11024 OAKFIELD DR. S.W.

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 26, 1996

TIME: SETUP--AFTER 07:30 HRS
REGISTRATION--AFTER 08:30 HRS
PROGRAM BEGINS--AFTER 09:15 HRS

AGENDA: 5 CLINICS

1. Herb Stroh -- Making rubber molds and duplicating parts.
 2. Jonathan Brodtkin -- Signalling systems for a layout.
 3. Mark Eastman -- Possible styrofoam scenery clinic.
 4. Al Peirce -- Using Kato parts for locomotive conversions
 5. Rick Reimer -- Hands-on tree clinic, you take tree home
- Refreshments available.
 - Meet your new Board of Directors
 - Evening layout tour(s), self guided
 - Portable layout displays. (Bring your own extension cord)
 - Local Manufacturer's Display - see what is being made locally for the hobby
 - Hobby Shop Displays - bring your wallet!
 - "My Current Project" display table.

SUPERTRAIN '97 SHOW COMMITTEE

AN INVITATION TO "JOIN THE TEAM" FOR SUPERTRAIN '97

As Show Chairman for Supertrain '97 I would like to extend an invitation to members to join the Show Committee. This is an opportunity for new members, or those who are not club members, to get involved with the Society, and work toward putting on another great Supertrain Show. If you wish to be a part of the Show Committee, (yes I know it's early) please contact me, Al Hough (289 8511) or Co-Chairman Bill Marshall (249 6234). The following members have agreed to be contact persons/subcommittee chairs:

Registration/Show Floor Committee -- Don Hannett	259 5506
Concession/Guest Relations -- Alan Pile	276 3533
Barry Conn	251 9334
Advertising -- Irving Jalving	249 9981
Show Committee Secretary -- ????	

Special thanks to Bob Hadlow for agreeing to handle the money, and to Dave Stefanek for looking into door prizes from VIA, The Royal Hudson, and Rocky Mountain Railtours.

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

As required in the Bylaws, the nominating committee puts forth the following names of individuals who have agreed to stand for election as Independent Directors on the Board of Directors.

1. Mark Eastman †
2. ~~Alan Pile~~ Tom Pile †

The above must be nominated at the Annual General Meeting, along with anyone else who wishes to stand for election as an Independent Director.

The following Club representatives have agreed to sit on the Board as Club Directors:

1. Bow Valley -- Bill McLeod
2. Calgary British Railway Modellers -- Ian Mears
3. CANTRAK -- Dave Stefanek
4. Thursday Night Group -- Maurice Despina
5. Calgary Model Trainmen -- TBA *Roscoe Pinchuck*
6. Cal-O-Rail -- TBA *George Simpson*

The above Club Representatives will also be ratified by the membership at the Annual General Meeting.

Dave Stefanek, Vice President, /Nominations Committee Chair

CMRS FAMILY PICNIC REMINDER

AUGUST 18th AT CHAMPION PARK

You should have received a yellow flyer in the last newsletter regarding our summer CMRS event, the Family Picnic at Champion Park. This is a great afternoon for the family, with real train rides, games for all, and great food! Please take a few minutes to fill out the bottom portion of the yellow flyer to indicate you will be attending and send it to Ian before August 10, as we need to know how many meals to order.

If you have misplaced the yellow flyer, please use the form below:

I WILL BE ATTENDING THE PICNIC

Name _____ Phone _____

_____ Beef Meals @\$7 _____ Child's Meal @\$2

All meals must be prepaid.

Send cheques to CMRS 107 Deerfield Circle S.E. T2J 6T3

For information, call Ian at 278 6394 after 7 pm.