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Message from the President

Hello,

I hope everyone is well and having fun this modeling season. The weather is starting to improve and soon we will be enjoying all those outdoor activities again. I am looking forward to starting my G-scale layout in my garden. But, we have some more activities coming up before that happens.

Supertrain 2004 has just concluded and again the show was a great success. I want to thank Maurice Despina and his Supertrain committee for all their efforts to make this year's show one of the best yet. It takes a small army of volunteers to put the show on, and I want to thank all of you as well.

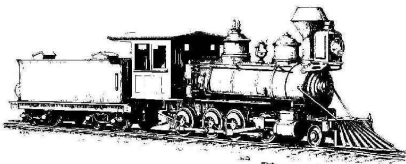
The Spring Mini Meet is coming up on March 13th and I'm sure that it will be a lot of fun. The Calgary Model Trainmen will be holding their annual flea market in the morning with clinics to follow in the afternoon. Area clubs with their layouts and commercial exhibitors will be in attendance for the whole day. If you know anyone interested in the hobby that wants to get started, this is a great opportunity, so bring them with you.

The annual Member Appreciation Night banquet will be held on May 28th this year. Tickets are now available and can be purchased at the Mini Meet or by contacting Rolf Stengl. An excellent meal and great entertainment are planned for the banquet.

Plans are in the works for a few other events this year. Watch the Order Board and the website for details. I welcome any comments or suggestions that you may have regarding society activities.

See you soon.

Rick McPhee



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From the Editor

Thanks to all of you who have renewed your membership for the 2003-2004 season. If you have not renewed, this is the cut-off issue. Membership forms are available on-line.

The **deadline for the next issue is March 4, 2004**. If you are hosting an event, or know of one that would be of interest to other modellers, please keep me informed. Between reports and notices there is often room for small articles or pictures, why not show-off your talents. Gord Smith



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From the Membership Desk

The current membership list includes 357 names of which 173 are paid-up members for 2004. **Please remember that your 2005 membership is due at the Annual General Meeting on October 3rd, 2004.**

- Ross Dubber

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Listed in the Events Schedule are a number of G--scale shows. Doug Cannon has attended many of these and is willing to share his suggestions and recommendations. Contact Doug at:

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Supertrain Report for Feb 04

By the time you receive this copy of the Order Board, hopefully you have all recovered from an exciting and busy Supertrain weekend. On behalf of the Supertrain Committee, a great big **THANK YOU** to all the volunteers. People kept calling almost up to show date to volunteer. AWESOME.

It's a little too early to include a finale show report in this issue. However, I would like to mention a few things. We've tried some new things this year, and from all the comments we received, you the modelers and the public at large seem to agree with the changes. It is your committee's desire to continually improve the quality of the show. Thank you for your comments.

Once again, we heard nothing but good complements about the 10th Anniversary Extravaganza. I think our weak point was not enough cake. Sorry about that. By the way, who ate the corner pieces with the thick icing shaped as flowers? Most of you in attendance expressed to us that this event should become part of the Supertrain Event. That will be up for discussion, I'm sure, with the Board members and the next Supertrain Committee.

What about those prizes at the Extravaganza? Weren't they awesome? If you missed out, and this event takes place again, I suggest you plan to attend. The event was for all; exhibitors, volunteers, CMRS members and spouses. What a good time held by all! A great job by the organizers.

Our attendance this year went down from the past two years. Although the crowds were great, we were hoping to meet or exceed last year's attendance figures. Unofficially, the attendance was just over 12, 600.

We are receiving some great comments about Supertrain 2004 from the public. I've attached one such complement.

"Just wanted to comment about what an excellent show you put on over the weekend. Best value for \$6 that I have had in a long, long time.

Thanks for all your efforts."

- Andy Sharman CMA ACUIC

I guess that comment just about sums it up.

I look forward to meeting and talking with you at the Mini Meet/Flea Market in March.

- Maurice Despins

Supertrain 2004 Show Chairman

THE HISTORY CALL BOARD

Calgary has a rich model railroad history extending back at least to the 1920's, no doubt due in part to the city's wonderful railroad heritage. Having been involved in the model railroad and toy train business here for over 30 years, I have met many people who have been involved in the hobby. Some have been kind enough to share remembrances and memorabilia about the old days.

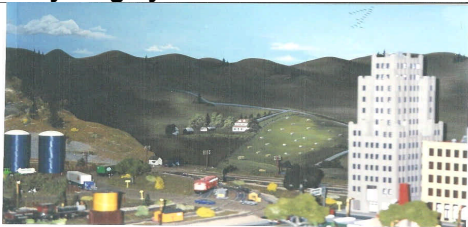
If you have such material and would be willing to share it, or know/knew some of the old-timers, I would like to hear from you. If we can get enough material together I would like to write a series of articles on the history of model railroading in Calgary, and perhaps, if the response is sufficient, consider a small book.

You can reach me at 277-7226, or at trainsandsuch@telus.net, or if you want, drop by Trains and Such for a chat. I look forward to hearing from you.

- Jim Scott

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We have a very well rounded array of tours for all you modelers to look at this year. There are 18 layouts in every stage of construction for your enjoyment. The layouts are in N, HO, O and G scales and cover all aspects of model railroading.

The next Order Board will include a description and the tour details. Also check the website for some digital photo previews.

Thank you to those who are showing your layouts

- Bain Spielman,
CMRS Director Layout tours.

Alan Crance
147 Sun Valley Drive S.W.
HO European based on the Reine Valley in Germany.

Bill MacKenzie Jr.
4 Strasbourg Green S.W.
HO

Brian and Bev Gillis
2006 – 25A Street S.W.
N This a family project

Calgary Model Trainmen
619 – 12th Avenue S.E.
HO Donations greatly accepted.

Dennis Cooke
#12, 287 Southhampton Drive S.W.
HO

Cal-O-Rail
2001 – 18th Avenue S.W.
O Depicts 1940's and 50's steam and diesel era.

Gaston Moreau
431 – 99th Avenue S.W.
HO Modern diesel

Rob Badmington
73 Valley Ponds Crescent N.W.
HO Excellent view of framing and start of track work.

Jered Hoskins
5340A – 1A Street S.W.
HO Very large - depicting Kicking Horse Pass/Spiral Tunnels.

Steve Geczy
1504 Patterson View S.W.
HO Swiss-German in the lower floor of a condo.

Steve Kline
83 Harcourt Road S.W.
HO Modern era -Steve's done a lot of work since last year.

Brian Keay
62 Scimitar View N.W.
HO This is a very active and interactive layout.

Ed Hopkin
1104 Southglen Drive S.W.
HO Very large and lots to see.

EARLY LAYOUT TOUR

21 March 2004 - Sunday 1-4 PM 14 Edgebrook Way NW 547-3269 N Scale - CPR Kootenay Division Host: Dave Marecek

The CPR Kootenay Division is modeled in 1965 in N scale and covers 4 subdivisions of the CPR Kootenay Division. The Nelson Subdivision is modeled from Lipsett (MP62.0) to Nelson BC (MP 137.8). The Boundary SD is modeled from Nelson (MP 0.0) to Shields BC (MP39.1). The Slocan SD is modeled from South Slocan (MP 0.0) to Slocan City (MP 31.3) and the Rossland SD is modeled from Castelgar (MP 0.0) to Tadanac BC (MP 18.7).

The division is modeled as closely as possible based on Milestones of Southern BC and includes the 15 major bridges and 4 main Rivers of the region. Focus is paid to key industries and structures that represent the right of way in 1965 including the Castelgar Pulp Mill, Creston AWP Elevator, Slocan Lake Barge service, and the Nelson engine facilities.

The highlight is the scratch built model of the Cominco Lead/Zinc smelter and Fertilizer plant at Trail BC which includes approx. 40 buildings and connected piping.

The layout motive power is composed of the CLC C Liners, H liners and Trains Masters found in the Kootenays in the 1960s. Layout scenery is in place and a custom painted backdrop provides a panorama of the Kootenays.

This is the last showing of this layout as owner is moving and layout will be disassembled. Everything and anything on the layout will be available for purchase during the open house.

- Dave Marecek

Neil and Dauna McKay
5331 Lasalle Crescent S.W.
HO This is another husband and wife project.

Barry Roberts
#1 Valleyview Acres (a little out of town on #2 south.)
There will be a map in the next Order Board
G This is an indoor and outdoor layout and worth the drive.

Alberta Pacific Railroad
2456 Capital Hill Crescent
HO A club project and should be well on it's way for the tour.

Laurie and Laura Kitchen
176 Woodbend Way, Okotoks, Alberta
O CPR transition era. 1400 sq. Still in the building stage, so for those O scalers out there it might be interesting to see what you can do in your basement.

Great Moments of CPR Ingenuity” with Jonathan Hanna

Friday May 28, 2004

Glenmore Inn, Cocktails 6:00 Dinner 7:00

Jonathan Hanna will be speaking about some of the colourful characters in CPR's past that are behind a sprinkling of "Great Moments of CPR Ingenuity!" Jonathan is presently creating this series for CPR's in-house publication. Highlights will include CPR's founding, its Scottish heritage, the discovery of Rogers Pass, the birth of Canada's national park system, and more! All punctuated with photos, and Jonathan's own audience friendly style.



This event is your chance to enjoy a fine dinner with your spouse and friends, in a railway ambience, while recognizing all the volunteers that make our Society a vibrant organization.

Jonathan B. Hanna, born June 10, 1954, in Montreal, received a French classical education at Collège Stanislas in Outremont before graduating from Concordia University, in 1979, with a B.A. in History. Hanna worked in Canadian Pacific Railway's corporate archives in the 1970s, photographic services and advertising in the 1980s, marketing communications and administration in the 1990s, before being appointed CPR corporate historian in 2000.

Tickets available at the **Spring Mini Meet**; Tickets are \$10 each, members and spouses

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The NMRA convention is set for Seattle, July 4-11, 2004. Registration costs are minor compared to accommodation, so it's ideal to put 2,3,or 4 guys into a room to reduce costs and make it affordable to attend the meet. Let's make a list of those that want to share.

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Model Railroad Events Schedule

*items in bold are Calgary Model Railway Society events

March 6 & 7, 2004 - Trains, Models and Miniatures Show
Wheatland "B" Building, Prairieland Exhibition Grounds, Saskatoon, SK
More info: <http://www.prairierailworkshop.com/>

March 13, 2004 – Spring Mini Meet - Calgary Model Trainmen Swap Meet
Best Western Hospitality Inn South, 135 Southland Drive, SE
Time 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM
Swap Meet, Vendors, Local Clubs, Clinics

March 21, 2004 - Early Layout Tour Time:1-4 PM @14 Edgebrook Way NW (details on page 4)

April 3, 2004 – Edmonton Swap Meet, Whitemud Creek Community Hall, 9:00AM to 1:00PM
Info: Ron Boyer 780-466-2670 or www.mmr.ab.ca

April 2-4th, 2004 - 7th Annual East Coast Large Scale Train Show, at York, Pennsylvania, USA. <http://www.eclsts.com/>

April 4, 2004 – Layout Tours – South side – details in the next Order Board

April 24, 2004 – Layout Tours – North side - details in the next Order Board

April 24 & 25, 2004 Thunder Creek Model Railroad Show, Western Development Museum, Moose Jaw, SK
Model train lovers congregate each year in Moose Jaw to enjoy the work of hobbyists from across the province, on hand to share their model railroad creations.
More info: <http://www.wdm.ca>

May 21-23, 2004 - Inaugural Mid-West Large Scale Train Show, at Springfield, Illinois, USA.
<http://aristocraft.com/> >Aristo Forums

May 28, 2004 – Member Appreciation Night – Glenmore Inn – details on Page 6

May 29, 2004 – Red Deer layout tour & BBQ

June 3-6th, 2004 - Big Train Show, Queen Mary, Long Beach, California, USA <http://www.bigtrainshow.com/>

June 12 & 13 – Railway Days at Heritage Park, Calgary, AB Time: 9AM to 5 PM

July 4-11, 2004 - NMRA convention 'Puget Sound eXpress' is set for Seattle, WA.
More info : <http://www.nmra2004.org/>

August 12-15th, 2004 National Garden Railway Convention, Denver, Colorado, USA. <http://www.denvergrs.org/convention.html>

Sept 18 & 19, 2004 - Great Edmonton Model Train Show, Mayfair Inn Trade Center, Time 10AM to 5PM
Info Jim Baker 780-430-7595 or www.mmr.ab.ca

Oct 3, 2004 – CRMS Fall Mini Meet & AGM

Oct 16, 2004 – South Bank Short Lines – BOOMER AUCTION

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