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## Message from the President

Welcome to the new Model Railroad Season! Our Fall Mini-meet was another success, thanks to Jeff Burk and his crew of volunteers. I was pleased to see our Annual General Meeting, held over the lunch break at the Mini-meet, was so well attended. It couldn't have been the temptation of free lunch, could it? I would like to welcome Ian MacArthur, Maurice Despins, and Jim Guillaume to the Board of Directors. I know their enthusiasm and dedication will bring new ideas, events, and fun to the members of the CMRS. We all owe our thanks to out-going board members Rolf Stengl, Ross Dubber, and Past President Rick McPhee. All three have made outstanding contributions to your Society, while serving on the Board, and also while volunteering for many other events. I'm counting on all of them to continue to help out in the future.

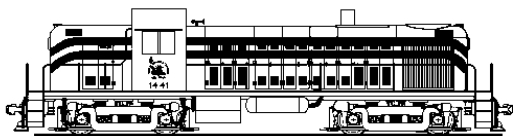
We have a very busy calendar of events already lined up for our members. Slide Night is on Wednesday November 10th. See the article elsewhere in this issue for more details. Supertrain organization is already well underway, and we can expect another terrific show. If you haven't helped out with Supertrain in the past, consider volunteering this year. There are all sorts of jobs and tasks that need to be done, both before the show and while it's on. I guarantee it will be a lot of fun. One thing that every member can help with is in promoting the show. Make sure you invite all your friends, relatives, and neighbours to come to Supertrain.

After Supertrain, we can look forward to the Spring Mini-meet, Layout Tours, at least one in-town railfan event, one or more out-of-town railfan events, Volunteer Appreciation Night, and a CMRS picnic or barbeque. If there are other activities you think we should be organizing, please talk to one of the Board members about your ideas.

If you haven't yet visited our website, [www.calgarymodelrailway.org/](http://www.calgarymodelrailway.org/), you are really missing something. Our webmaster Richard Johnson is doing a terrific job of keeping everything up to date. It is the best place to find out about what is happening in model railroading, in and around Calgary.

Hope to see you all at Slide Night,

- Rob Badmington



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## EDITORS NOTE

Yes our new season has begun and with it a new list of events and a new set of deadlines. We would like our issues to arrive in your mailbox about two to three weeks prior to an event. Some of the issues will include an insert poster. We suggest after you mark your calendar you take that poster to work and hang it on the bulletin board. Who knows how many more potential modellers we might attract.

### Proposed deadline dates

Supertrain Issue	January 5, 2005
Spring Mini Meet	February 8, 2005
Appreciation Night	April 28, 2005
AGM Fall Mini Meet	Aug 31, 2005

Circumstances may result in some changes to these dates so watch this column for any updates.

It is very likely that Jim Scott will find other exciting railfan tour destinations so watch for unscheduled issues.

- Gord Smith

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## SUPERTRAIN 2005

Supertrain 2005 will occur on Feb 19 & 20, 2005 and will be here before you know it. Your Supertrain committee is in place and hard at work to make this show as good or better than previous shows. But that cannot be achieved without the help of volunteers like you. I encourage each and every member of the CMRS to take 2 hours of your time to help in some aspect of the show. If the activity you wish to volunteer for is full, try another activity. It is well worth it.

We are also planning a Saturday Night event and we require some help with that as well. If you wish to help on this years' committee or in future years, this is the time to let us know so we can help you along with the process. Listed below are contact names and responsibilities for each of the committee members. E-mail them early to ensure you get a spot on their team. If you wish to join the team, contact me. Thank you in advance for all your time and effort.

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## LAYOUT TOURS 2005

The format for touring in 2005 will be different from in the past. This time both dates April 9<sup>th</sup> and April 23<sup>rd</sup> are Saturdays and the choice of dates is up to the host layout location. We look forward to having you offer your layout for viewing, please remember it can be at any stage from completion to basic framework. The purpose is to expose our hobby to our members and to inspire them with ideas and even solutions to problems they maybe having with their layout.

This year at the AGM it was suggested that the hours of the visits be extended; so more layouts could be seen. With that in mind, the regular hours will continue to be the same 12:00 to 4:00 PM. If you wish to extend your open house hours please just let me know and yours will be extended to accommodate your wishes. The hours for those wishing an extension, will be plainly posted both on the CMRS Website and in future Order Boards so no one should have unexpected guests arriving before or after the regular time schedules.

If you want to host a tour but our selected dates or times don't work for you, we can still help. Give me lots of notice and we can advertise individual tours any day or evening.

Please check the Website for an on line Layout Tour application, or there will be one in the next Order Board. You may also call me at 282-7819 or try my e-mail [bainspielman@shaw.ca](mailto:bainspielman@shaw.ca).

Looking forward to hearing from you, and making this another successful CMRS event.

- Bain Spielman, Layout Tours

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## SLIDE NIGHT 2004

In the Burnswest Theatre at Fort Calgary, on Wednesday November 10th, at 19:30, the lights will dim, and members of the CMRS will be treated to some of the best railroad photography around. The Brotherhood will be presenting segments on a number of topics including Prairie Railroading, The Empress Across Canada, and Then and Now. The last topic will feature pictures of familiar places taken over a span of many years, showing how much railroading has changed before our own eyes.

All members are invited to bring up to about 15 of their own slides to show. If you have a special feature you would like to present, please contact me, and we will work it into the show. And this year, as requested by several members, we will have the facilities to show digital pictures. To participate with digital images, please contact Ian McArthur well beforehand to ensure compatibility of equipment and programs (see Ian's column 'Slide Night Includes Digital').

Snacks and beverages will be provided during the intermission.

- Rob Badmington



Field, BC Top - 1975 Bottom - 1987



## Slide Night includes DIGITAL

This year we will be trying out a "Digital Picture" program in conjunction with Slide Night.

Please bring a few of your digital shots to share with the group.

- Medium: CD-ROM (sorry, no DVD's),
- Format can be tiff, jpeg, or bmp,
- Image size is not an issue: we have slide show software that will resize an image to match the screen.

RSVP if you wish to participate or for further information, please contact Ian McArthur at 403-932-6134 or [sutul@telusplanet.net](mailto:sutul@telusplanet.net).



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## The Emerald Isle Enthusiasts

- Book Review by Robin Morton

FIRST and foremost, let me declare an interest. I am a founder member of the Railway Preservation Society of Ireland. As an eager 13-year-old and a member of the Industrial Railway Society, I attended the meeting in Belfast on September 30, 1964, at which the RPSI was set up. I have been a lifelong member and have enjoyed many happy days travelling on or photographing the society's steam trains down the years.

Hence it was with considerable eagerness that I awaited the publication of ***Forty Shades of Steam: The Story of the RPSI*** (Colourpoint Books £12) by Joe Cassells and Charles Friel. The book, which has been published to mark the society's 40th anniversary, should appeal not just to the diehard enthusiast but to a wider audience.

From the foreword by Lord O'Neill, who has been president of the Society from the outset, to the comendium of trips run by the RPSI compiled by Cassells, the book exudes an infectious enthusiasm. The text is augmented by a glorious galaxy of colour photographs by Friel showing RPSI trains the length and breadth of Ireland. Of particular interest is one of actor Sean Connery during the filming in the Republic of *The First Great Train Robbery*.

As Lord O'Neill says, few people in 1964 could have imagined that mainline steam trains would still be operating. But they are, thanks both to the determination of the society to overcome adversity and to the willing co-operation of Translink and Iarnród Éireann.

From the Santa train rides to the Easter Bunny excursions and the Portrush Flyer, the society's activities now appeal to a new generation.

Long may the age of steam continue, and long may the RPSI's wheels continue to turn.

- Thanks to John Ambrose for this submission



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# **Model Railroad Events Schedule**

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Nov 6 & 7, 2004 – Regina Model Railroad Show –

Times: Saturday 10-5 Sunday 10-4

Place: Cochrane High School – 1069-14<sup>th</sup> Ave. E., Regina, SK

Admission: adult \$5, family \$10, 12 & under free

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**Nov 10, 2004 – Slide Night**

**Time: 7:30 PM**

**Place: Burnswest Theatre in Fort Calgary, 750 – 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, SE, Calgary**

**Admission: Members –free, Non-members \$5.00.**

**Theme: Familiar Places over the Span of Years**

Nov 26, 2004 – Jan 2, 2005 - The Christmas Train at the Airdrie Festival of Lights

Place: Iron Horse Park, Airdrie, AB

Info: [www.ironhorsepark.com](http://www.ironhorsepark.com)

**Feb 19 & 20, 2005 – Supertrain**

**Time: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM both Saturday & Sunday**

**Place: Big Four Building, Stampede Grounds, Calgary**

**Admission: Single \$7.00, Child (under 12) \$4.00, Family \$15.00.**

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Mar 5 & 6, 2005 Model Railroad Show

Place: Western Development Museum, Moose Jaw, SK

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**Mar 12, 2005 – Spring Mini-Meet and CMT Fleamarket**

**Time: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM**

**Place: Best Western Hospitality Inn, 135 Southland Drive, SE. Calgary**

**Apr 9 & 23, 2005 - Layout Tours**

**May 27, 2005 – Member Appreciation Night**

**Time: Cocktails 6:00PM, Dinner 7:00PM**

**Place: Glenmore Inn**

**Tickets will be on sale to members at Supertrain**

July 3 – 9, 2005 - NMRA National Convention, 'The Cincinnati Limited'

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<http://www.nmra.org/2005>

Aug 3 – 7, 2005 – Historic Spokane 2005, Pacific Northwest Region Convention NMRA

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Sep 17 & 18, 2005 – Great Edmonton Model Train Show

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