



# THE ORDERBOARD

NEWSLETTER FOR THE CALGARY MODEL RAILWAY SOCIETY



*In what could definitely be almost any season in Calgary, here's the first section of II2, an intermodal/automobile train, headed east through Ogden on March 24, 2012. The train was long enough to warrant six units (2 head-end, 3 mid-train, and one tail-end DPU's), the second section consisted purely of Autoracks, pulled by three units. Photo: Jon Calon.*

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well SUPERTRAIN will soon be here and I hope you will be either there with a club or volunteering for a shift or two. Just a reminder that there is a Volunteer info session on Sunday, April 15 at the Glenmore Inn at 12:30 for an hour or so. If you have any other questions about volunteering for the show please contact Leo de Groot at leodegroot2@gmail.com Note: If you volunteer for CMRS events during the year you have a chance of winning the VIA trip.

Remember that you are ambassadors of the hobby so tell you friends and people at work

about the event and make sure you get there as well.

The SUPERTRAIN Committee is hard at work finalizing things for the 2012 event. Rob Badmington has a report on Page 3 with more information.

We are looking ahead to the Layout Tours in May and if you are interested in opening your layout for us to tour please contact Daniel Charest.

See you at SUPERTRAIN!

*Monty Schnieder  
President, CMRS*



## CMRS NEEDS STORAGE SPACE

Space...The Final Frontier.

Apologies, that's a bad opening for anyone who appreciates Science Fiction...

But space, specifically one that's 10'x10' and dry, is what the CMRS is needing after SUPERTRAIN. We have some ticket booths (which collapse flat), tubs and other implements we've acquired for running the show, and the space we've used in the past is not going to be available to us once we remove it just prior to the show.

The Board has looked into various options and all of them are quite unpalatable due to location, cost, or a combination of both. Did you know storage units inside the city cost upwards of \$160 per month? We even looked at the possibility of purchasing a used 20' shipping container and then found the costs for storing one are nowhere near reasonable either.

So, if you happen to know of some spare space that we can use with minimal costs, we would greatly appreciate hearing from you. Contact any of the Board members - info is on Page 5 - if you're able to help us in our search.

*Jon Calow*

## LAYOUT TOURS

We have great layouts registered for the Layout Tours 2012 event at the end of May. However, we have room for more, especially for the north side of the city. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you are interested hosting a visit of your layout. This is an opportunity to show other modellers the hard work you've done on your layout. This is also a great opportunity to meet with other CMRS members.

The Layout Tours are scheduled on Saturday, May 26th, for the south side of the city, and Sunday, May 27th, for the north side. The layouts on the tour don't have to be completed, and all scales are welcome.

Contact me at [daniel@dan-nscaler.com](mailto:daniel@dan-nscaler.com) with a short description of your layout, (ie: the scale, size, era, etc.) if you want your layout being part of the tour. You could also email me your questions and suggestions about the event.

*Daniel Charest*

## PROTOTYPE MODELLERS MEET - SATURDAY MARCH 3, 2012

After several meetings, many emails and invitations, the Calgary version of the popular "Prototype Modellers Meet" was re-activated this past March 3, in the basement of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church located on Heritage Drive SW.

Doors opened at 9:00am and several local modellers set out many models and structures that ranged from a Z Scale operating layout right up to some O Scale structures. N, HO and S Scales were represented as well. There were American and Canadian railroads represented, with a good representation of NAR and BC Rail models. John Sutherland also had a very nice photo display!

In addition, there were several clinics including Digital Photography by Dr. George Barr, a 2 part clinic by Doug Phillips discussing CPR's earliest passenger cars, Mike Borkrislt's discussion of judging/MMR program and Jeff Simpson's discussion and slide show about models usable for NAR prototypes.

The event went off very successfully, allowing attendees to inquire about how and why models were done the way they appeared. Many ideas were discussed and hopefully attendees will test out some newly learned ideas.

Watch for announcements about next year's upcoming event! We will develop a theme for the next event, likely around a particular railroad. Stay tuned!

*Respectfully submitted,  
Dave Audley*



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### SUPERTRAIN 2012

This issue of the Orderboard comes to you only a couple of weeks before SUPERTRAIN sets up in the Subway Soccer Centre. Our dedicated Committee has everything ready for another fabulous show. Our website has posted regular updates with the list of exhibitors and the floor plans available on the site for well over a month, thanks to Webmaster Richard Johnson and Rick McPhee who drew up the floor plans. Inevitably, a couple of commercial participants had to withdraw due to personal reasons, but they have been replaced by new vendors who were on the waiting list.

Speaking of necessary changes, the date of our Volunteer Orientation session had to be moved back to Sunday, April 15th, due to a mix-up at the Glenmore Inn. This is only one week before the show. Everyone who will be volunteering at SUPERTRAIN is invited to come to the orientation at 12:30 pm to receive name badges, instructions, and other information which helps the show run more smoothly. In consideration of the time you give up to come, we will be offering a light lunch for attendees.

The outdoor soccer fields at the Subway Soccer Centre are being rebuilt at this time resulting in

### SATURDAY NIGHT GALA

We still have a few tickets remaining for the Gala. Tickets cost \$25.00 each (same as last year).

Cocktails @ 5:30 pm  
Dinner @ 6:30 pm

This year's after dinner speaker is Tom Price. A few years ago, Tom presented 126 Years of Mayhem which was extremely entertaining. I'm sure this year's presentation will be great as well.

In addition to our ever popular raffle, we will draw for door prizes throughout the evening.

If you haven't purchased yours and would like one call me at 403-934-1372 or send an email to appreciation@calgarymodelrailway.ca.

*Linda Laroche*

restricted access for vehicles along the south side of the building. This will mainly affect moving in on Friday and moving out after the show. Please be patient with our volunteers if they ask you to use different access points than you have in the past.

We are working closely with the staff of the SSC to make this as easy as possible.

Parking around the building is also affected by construction, so if you are volunteering or exhibiting, please try to park in one of the warehouse lots across the road on the north or west sides, and leave the close-in spots for the paying public. Last year, one exhibitor's truck and trailer took up 8 paved parking spots all day Saturday. Remember that the payouts our exhibitors receive are directly

affected by the gate revenue, and people who come to the show and can't find a place to park do not buy tickets.

Included with this Orderboard (if mailed to you) are a couple of posters that you can put up at work or somewhere in your neighbourhood. If you know someone who has an interest in trains, or has kids or grandkids who like trains, please make sure you encourage them to come to SUPERTRAIN 2012. It will be a another great show!

*Rob Badmington  
Show Chairman,  
SUPERTRAIN 2012*

# SUPERTRAIN



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## CMRS SPRING MINI MEET

It's pretty hard to write about the Mini Meet clinics and Show-and-Tell because, as many of you know, I missed the meeting!

We began our drive home from Big White (near Kelowna) on Saturday, March 3, but realized that we would not get home when the 45 km from Craigellachie to Revelstoke took 6 hours. Three hours standing still during avalanche control, and three hours creeping over hard pack and ice covered in water. Spent the night in Revelstoke, and woke up to learn that the highway eastbound would not open until 5 pm at the earliest. Spent a second night in Revelstoke.

So, I hope everyone enjoyed the clinics. Many of you may not realize how much time it takes to prepare a clinic, and I sincerely want to thank Brian Keay, Roger Marler and Joe Sheppard for their efforts. I leaned on many people before going away to make sure that projectors, screens, cables, laptops and so on would be available – my thanks to Marvin Burk, John Lund, Gord Smith and Rick Walker. President Monty Schnieder took over when I had to phone him and tell him I was stuck in Revelstoke.

I apologize to those of you who were looking forward to my clinic on weathering using artist's oils. You can now look forward to its presentation at the Fall Mini Meet. Thanks to B.J. Ersson for encouraging some of the SUPERTRAIN module presenters to bring their modules to the Mini Meet Show-and-Tell, and thanks to everyone else who brought models to share. CMRS is very grateful to Brent Ciccone for again presenting a print of one of his oil colours in a draw among the Show-and-Tell participants.

As always, I would love to hear from anybody who would like to present a clinic. We can provide lots of technical backup if you need help photographing models, making Powerpoint presentations, and so on. So please don't let the technicalities hold you back. And if you simply have some ideas about clinic topics you would like to hear, then let me know so that I can gently twist some arms.

See you all at the Fall Mini Meet (yes, really).

*Roger Walker.*

### For Sale - HO Diesel Locos

Proto 1000 RDC's - two PGE (BC10, BC33) and one BC Rail painted, BC31  
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**Deadline for the next issue is Apr 29, 2012**

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FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Wow, are we less than a month away from SUPERTRAIN already? It's no surprise my E&N layout has suffered a little bit of neglect as of late as I'm trying to get all the various materials ready to print for the show. A few final touches on the Show Guide (bumped to a record 16 pages this year!), get the volunteer and exhibitor badges printed and cut, and then onto the Volunteer Orientation at the Glenmore Inn and the next weekend is the Big Show! Not too long ago, a representative (and friend) from a major Canadian model train manufacturing company said he thinks our Show is the best they ever exhibit at and are trying their best to persuade other manufacturers in coming to the show. Certainly good news for the show. I hope to see you there!

And speaking of SUPERTRAIN, it's amazing what's out there on YouTube these days. While doing some google searches to see what shows up on our search terms, I came across a very short lived TV show from the 70's called, oddly enough, Supertrain. Watched the full first episode (in 10 minute chunks) and WOW...No wonder it got cancelled after less than a dozen episodes. I *might* watch more, but I doubt it.

And lastly, I will admit to being somewhat surprised at the very pleasant feedback regarding my upcoming "retirement" and "what am I going to do with all my free time" at the end of my term on the CMRS Board. I've received a few inquiries about the job of being Editor, and sadly, nothing really firm in the way of interest. Drop me a line if you're interested in possibly taking up a very rewarding position!

**Deadline for submissions for the next issue is April 29, 2012.**

*Jon Calon*

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- April 6-8, 2012 – Goldpan Express 2012 - PNR 7th Division Spring Meet, Quesnel, BC. <http://www.goldpanexpress.info>.
- April 21-22, 2012 – SUPERTRAIN 2012, Subway Soccer Centre, Calgary, AB.** <http://www.supertrain.ca/>
- May 2-5, 2012 – Siskiyou Summit 2012 PNR/PCR Joint Convention, Medford, OR. <http://www.pcrnmra.org/conv2012/>
- May 5, 2012 – Open Operating Session on Monashee Pacific, Ford Edmonton Park. Email ulvestad@telus.net for info.
- May 6, 2012 – Open House at CMT, 10am-4pm at 619-12th Ave SE. <http://www.calgarymodeltrainmen.ca/>
- May 26-27, 2012 – CMRS Layout Tours, South side of Calgary on the 26th, North on the 27th.**
- June 28-July 1, 2012 – Living Skies Express, Joint CARM National/PNR 6th Div. Convention, Regina, SK.  
 Email Tyler Smith at smithtyler@sasktel.net
- July 29-Aug 4, 2012 – NMRA National Convention, Grand Rapids, MI. <http://www.gr2012.org/>

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