



The OrderBoard

Newsletter of **The Calgary Model Railway Society**



P&P 70 tonner drags a crude oil train and a lone ore hopper across the trestle at Willow Springs Gulch. Low oil prices and the depletion of the Lazy Dog Mine resulted in the closure and abandonment of the Petrolia Branch of the Purgatory & Pacific Railroad. Get a closer look at this scratchbuilt bridge at the Show and Tell at this year's Spring Minimeet. Photo by Gord Smith

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President's Report

I hope everyone had a chance to get out to the layout tours, the ones I attended were very good.

The next event coming up is the Mini Meet scheduled for March 15, Roger has more details in this issue of the OrderBoard.

Todd and Julia are still looking for volunteers for SUPERTRAIN, people are needed for the set up on Friday and the 2 days of the show.

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President's Report Continued...

There will be a SUPERTRAIN volunteer orientation held at the Genesis Centre April 12 and we are hoping that anyone volunteering for the show can attend.

SUPERTRAIN 2015 is coming up on April 18 and 19 at the Genesis Centre, 7555 Falconridge Blvd. NE. The Saddletown CTrain Station is close by. We have the wonderful situation of being almost oversubscribed for space in this year's show.

A reminder that we have money in the budget for promoting the hobby. If you have ideas for a promotional event or idea, please approach us and we may be able to provide funding.

Our membership is continuing to grow, but we can always use with more members, so continue to invite your friends to join. We would always like to see more of the younger generations getting involved in all aspects including the being on the Board.

Brent Ciccone, our Editor of the Orderboard is always on the lookout for content, if you have photos or a story please get in touch with him.

*Monty Schnieder
President*

SUPERTRAIN Saturday Night Gala - April 18, 2015

SUPERTRAIN Saturday Night Gala tickets are now available. The Gala will be held at the Glenmore Inn.

Tickets cost \$35.00 each	If you have any dietary requirements (ie. Celiac, Kosher), please advise
Cocktails @ 5:00 pm	when ordering your tickets. The Glenmore Inn can provide special
Dinner @ 6:45 pm	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.

To reserve your tickets contact Linda Laroche either by phone at 403-934-1372 or email at LBQ@shaw.ca. Tickets can be picked up at the Mini Meet on March 15th or the Volunteer Orientation in April.

Linda Laroche

Model Railroad Layout Tours 2015

Well, the Layout Tours have come and gone for another year. We were lucky to have better weather than last year which was reflected with the number of CMRS members visiting the various layouts. Overall, attendance at most layouts was in the 40-45 people range. Everyone I met during the tours seemed to be having a good time and I hope most CMRS members were able to take some useful knowledge home to use on their own layouts or projects.

I would like to thank the layout hosts and their crews for their generous commitment of time and effort in getting the various layouts ready for the Tour.

*Al Matchett
CMRS Layout Tours Coordinator*

SUPERTRAIN 2015

In less than two months, exhibitors, vendors and manufacturers will be in town at the 2015 edition of SUPERTRAIN, in a newer and larger venue, the Genesis Centre in the North East part of Calgary. Since September, the Committee has been very active organizing the show. Despite the additional 10,000 sq. ft. the



Genesis Centre has to offer compared to the Soccer Centre, we have already enough exhibits, vendors and manufacturers to fill the new venue. It is very exciting that the Canada's biggest model train show is becoming even bigger!

The Genesis Centre officially opened their new Feature Gym at the end of September 2014. Monty and I were invited to the Grand Opening, which included a private visit of the Gym and all its opportunities for events like dance and music shows, weddings, and obviously shows like SUPERTRAIN. The Staff at the Genesis Centre has been very collaborative and helpful.

The first email out asking for volunteers was sent on February 1st, and if you have not replied yet or have not signed up, a second email will be sent out on March 1st. The Committee would really appreciate that you reply promptly to Julia and Todd's request for volunteering, and offer your time for a shift or two. The success of SUPERTRAIN is based on you, volunteers, and the valuable time you have to offer over that weekend. This year we are also sending an email to model railroad clubs exhibiting at SUPERTRAIN, asking for volunteers throughout their members. If you have any questions, or if you do not get Julia or Todd's email, you can email volunteer@supertrain.ca. The Volunteer Orientation Session will be held on Sunday April 12th at the Genesis Centre, the weekend before SUPERTRAIN, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. This is your opportunity to familiarize with the new venue, and ask questions about your tasks.

Tickets for the Saturday Night Gala are for sale. The committee decided to keep the Gala at the Glenmore Inn, not only because we have always heard positive feedback from you about the food and service, but also because their costs are very competitive compared to other venues closer to the Genesis Centre. Our speaker this year is Laurie Kitchen. This is a very popular dinner, so make sure you buy your ticket(s) early. Details about the Gala, and how to buy tickets, are included in this edition of the Orderboard.

*Daniel Charest
Chairman, SUPERTRAIN 2015*

CMT Annual Fleamarket 2015

A reminder that The Calgary Model Trainmen's Annual Fleamarket soon will be here. Plan early for what you would like to put up for sale. This event will be held together with the CMRS Spring Mini Meet. Note the new times for this year - the Fleamarket will be held from 8:30 am to 10:30 am; vendors can set up beginning at 7:30 am. There will be no clinics scheduled to conflict with the Fleamarket.

The facts:

Date- Sunday March 15, 2015

Time- 8:30 to 10:30 am

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

Tables- \$20 for standard 2' X 8' size table Admission to the Fleamarket is \$3.00 for CMRS members (please show your card) and \$5.00 to the general public. Admission to the CMRS Mini Meet is \$5.00 for non-members. CMRS memberships are available for \$10 for the year.

Tables are going quickly, as of this writing only 5 ½ tables remain. Don't be disappointed. To book a table, please contact Brookes at bharrow@nucleus.com or call 403-201-4937.

(You can book a half table and we will try to match someone to share the table with you)

Brookes Harrow



Searching for a Layout - Crowsnest West

I am trying to track down the whereabouts of Mike South's narrow gauge railway layout. I have been told that it was displayed in the corner of his office in Calgary and that after his passing in 2009 it went to a model railway club in Alberta. I have come into the possession of a lot of his locos and would like to reunite them with this layout someday.

Contact Craig Parry, Belleville, ON
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RAILROAD PROTOTYPE MODELLERS MEET

SATURDAY MARCH 14, 2015

CALGARY, ALBERTA

ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
703 HERITAGE DRIVE S.W.

9 am - 4 pm. ADMISSION: \$10, under 12: FREE

Passenger Trains and Their Facilities, Engines, Cars, and Various Buildings

This is basically a "Show and Tell" meet where modellers can bring engines, rolling stock, structures, etc. to show. 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.

It's all about bringing your models and your friends to see lots of superb railroad models, to share techniques and get inspired to finish your projects. There is no model judging, just an opportunity to meet fellow modellers, share tips and learn new techniques. We will provide an opportunity to meet with fellow modellers, see lots of great models, share tips and learn. For those NMRA members working towards the MMR program, sanctioned judging will be available.

CLINICS AND PROTOTYPE PRESENTATIONS RUNNING ALL DAY

- Clinic 1: "Slide Resurrection" techniques for saving film slides to digital format by Dr. George Barr
- Clinic 2: "Van Horne Style Stations" and a few unplanned standard types by Don Thomas.
- Clinic 3: "The Burnett Cars" - CPR's first steel passenger cars 1912 - 1919 by Doug Phillips.
- Clinic 4: "God Bless Hall" - a nostalgic review of many of the Prairie branch lines that were saved from abandonment by the 1977 Hall Commission by Les Kozma.

FREE RAFFLE TICKETS (LIMIT OF 10) FOR BRINGING YOUR MODEL FOR DISPLAY

For further information and updates, please contact: Dave Audley, 403-275-1869
(daudley@telusplanet.net)

FREE - Magazines

200 RMC and MR Magazines to give away, all issues of each from 2000 to current issue and a few older ones.
Contact Allan at 403-275-0038

HO Layout Contents For Sale

Due to health reasons, I'm selling everything. Photos and details at this site:
<http://www.stanleypkr37.wix.com/stanleystrains>
Contact Stanley Parker at 403 242-7139
stanleypkr37@gmail.com



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MEMBERSHIPS

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.

Completed forms and payment can be mailed to:

The Calgary Model Railway Society
PO Box 8071, Station A
Calgary, AB T2H 0H7

ADVERTISING

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 twice free of charge for members (provided the ad is relatively small), and a \$15/year charge for business card size commercial ads.

Contact the Editor at orderboard@calgarymodelrailway.ca for details.

Deadline for the next issue is Mar 17, 2015

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MINIMEET AND FLEA MARKET

SUNDAY MARCH 15, 2015

FLEA MARKET BEGINS AT 8:30

This is a detailed description of the clinics being offered at the Spring minimeet. The Flea Market will be open to CMRS members and the public between 8:30 and 10:30. Clinics will be 10:45 – 11:45, and 11:45 to 12:45. Lunch will begin at 12:45, and the afternoon clinic will begin after lunch, at about 1:30.

CLINICS

10:45	Peter Bouma	Building wooden structures	In this clinic Peter will discuss tools and techniques specific to building wood structures. He will discuss the basic order of operations for constructing wood buildings. He will bring along some partially completed buildings, and a couple of unstarted kits. He will also be recommending some manufacturers of kits for beginners.
10:45	Jim Ironside	Systems approach to Model Railroading	Most projects - scenery, structures, kit-bashing - are straightforward. Larger projects - layout planning, car fleet upgrade, control systems - have many competing factors and more complexity. This clinic describes, with a command station example, how system engineering helps resolve needs and unknowns to come to the right 'architecture' of the solution - and have fun in the process.
11:45	Byron Ellett	Older KATO locomotives	<p>It has been 30 years since the first Kato powered diesel, the Atlas RS 3 debuted. Since that milestone release, many other Kato powered diesels have followed. I am a collector of Kato diesels, and I will take you on a journey through the some of the earlier released diesels.</p> <p>Covered are the various designs, cross compatibility of parts, common wear characteristics as well as the "how to" remedy / repair / rebuild / maintain them. DCC installation will not be covered as the intent of the clinic is to focus on the drive line of the Kato diesel and what makes it a Kato. Gear heads to newbies are welcome as it is an information exchange.</p>
11:45	Roger Walker	Using Flextrack	<p>In this clinic I will first emphasize the importance of good support for the flextrack. I will then show how to lay out curves and easements. I will show how to join straight sections of flextrack, and suggest ways of linking code 83 with code 100. Finally, I will suggest ways of joining sections of flextrack on curves without making kinks.</p> <p>This clinic is aimed mostly at beginning and intermediate modellers.</p>



1:30 (approx)	Brian Key	Signaling A Layout: Things to Consider Before Starting and Challenges that may Arise During Installation	<p>Have you ever thought about signaling your layout but never got around to it because there are so many variables to consider? If yes, then this clinic is for you!</p> <p>The presentation will cover a variety of topics to consider prior to deciding upon the type of signaling system you might like to install on your layout. I will then explain why I chose the system I did along with problems that arose when installing signals after the scenery was in place, etc.</p> <p>The clinic will end when the questions run out !</p>
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BOUMA SQUARES AND RECTANGLES

The Challenge is on again. Build a diorama on a 5 inch square board, a 4x6 inch board (or any other shape that is no bigger than 25 square inches). Bring it along to the minimeet for everyone to enjoy and admire. And put your name in the hat...a draw will be made during lunch (no skill testing questions) and the lucky person will receive a \$100 gift certificate for Trains and Such. The squares (or whatever shape they may be!) will also be displayed at the Diorama Builders booth at SUPERTRAIN.

SHOW AND TELL

I welcome models, displays, etc. for the Show and Tell. Let's see what you have made, or your work in progress, and bring along a brief description of the work. The items at the show and tell are always a focus for friendly discussion, and there is no judging.

Doug Lee, who has presented clinics on layout design and operation, will have a special display at the show and tell. Doug will be present between about 9:15 and 10:45 to talk about the display and answer questions. The THEME will be forms and documents that an operator can develop and use to support operations on his layout. EXAMPLES of forms will include car cards and waybills; switch lists; timetables and special instructions.

I will look forward to seeing you, and your Bouma squares and show and tell items, at the Minimeet. If you have any comments, ideas, or wish to volunteer a clinic, let me know (walkerrg@telus.net) See you there.

Roger Walker

CMT April 2015 Farewell to Victoria Park Open House

Saturday April 25th, 2015 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

The big clock is ticking louder! August 31, 2015 is the deadline for the Calgary Model Trainmen's Club to vacate our premises. We invite everyone to join us for our final Open House in Victoria Park. The event will be on Saturday April 25th, 2015 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. This is the weekend following SUPERTRAIN.

Join us to celebrate the Club's accomplishments over the years. We have had a lot of fun over the years at this home and made a lot of friends. We hope to see a lot of our friends, both old and new, for this Farewell Open House.



This weekend will be the last time the Club will be open for viewing. Join us as trains travel one last time over our freelance Chinook Western Railway running southwest from Calgary through Kananaskis connecting with US railroads at Elkford. We have made some changes and improvements to the layout since the November Open House. Visitors are most welcome to bring your HO-gauge locomotives and rolling stock, if locos are DCC-equipped, to run on the layout. We are hoping to record videos of the day.

Another event is planned for Sunday, April 26th from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm. We are calling this event Garthapalooza! Garth has long wanted to run a LONG train of shorty ore cars on the club layout. And since he owns over 1,200 of these cars, he has a wide selection to choose from. The idea is to keep adding cars and locomotives until a maximum is reached and then run the train. Garth is anticipating a 200 to 300 car train.

Hopefully this train will run behind his pair of Yellowstone articulated steam engines, if they are back from being customized, plus some diesel helpers. So drop by and see how long this train is. This event is not part of the Saturday Open House but all are welcome.

Following this weekend, our plans are to have a last for-members operating session. And then the dismantling will begin. If a sale of surplus items is feasible, watch for announcements of the event which will likely be early in summer. And yes, we are still looking for a new home. If you know of a potential location or if you have room in your basement, please let us know.

The club is located at 619 12 Avenue SE, just north of the Stampede grounds. Parking is available on the east side of the building or on the street. Admission is by donation. New members are welcome. For more details and a map, please visit our Web site, www.calgarymodeltrainmen.ca. We look forward to seeing everyone at CMT.

Brookes Harrow

FOR SALE - HO Scale
2 RDC, PGE & BCR - \$60, 2 Intermountain Govt of Canada Hoppers, set of 4 Roundhouse Passenger Cars
Morrisy Fernie & Michel - \$40/ set, 7 Rapido Passenger Cars - BC Railway Museum \$210/set, Peco used switches \$10 - 15, Peco 3 way and Slip switch \$25, \$35
Contact Gordon Rycroft 403-281-6048 or ringingrails@shaw.ca

Coming Events Schedule

March 14, 2015	Railroad Prototype Modelers Meet, 9 am - 4 pm, ST. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 703 Heritage Drive S.W.
March 15, 2015	Spring Mini-meet, Glenmore Inn
March 15, 2015	CMT Annual Fleamarket, Glenmore Inn, 8:30 - 10:30 AM
April 18-19, 2015	SUPERTRAIN 2015, Genesis Centre, Calgary
April 25, 2015	CMT Last Open House, 619 12 Avenue SE , 10:00 - 4:00
Aug 23-29, 2015	NMRA National Convention, Portland Oregon www.nmra2015portland.org
May 8 - 10, 2015	NMRA 6 th Division Spring Meet, Saskatoon, Sk
Oct. 18th, 2015	Fall Mini-meet, Glenmore Inn

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