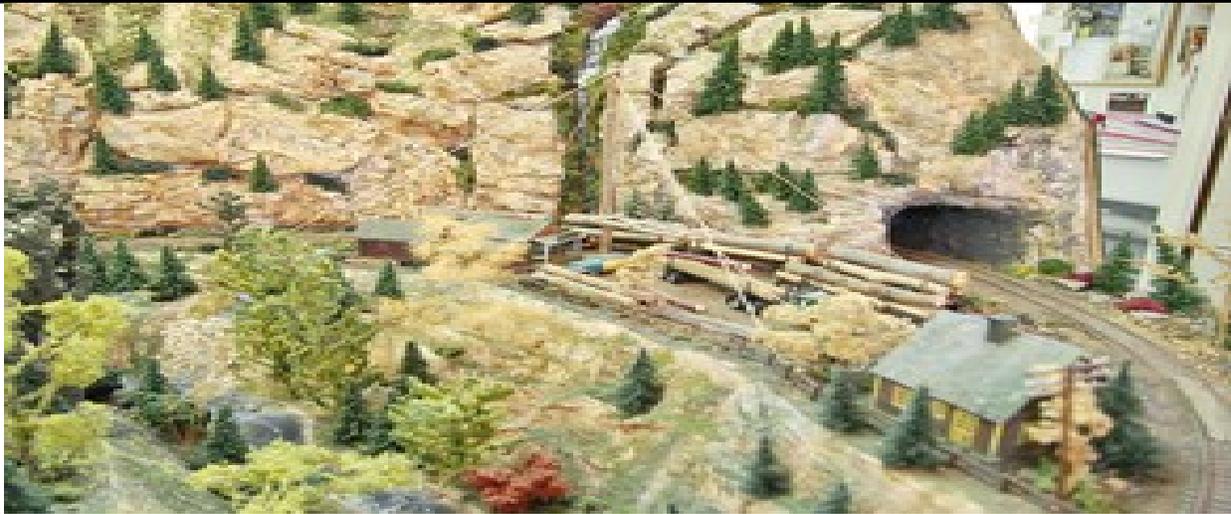




The Order Board

Newsletter of The Calgary Model Railway Society



Scene captured on Ed Hopkins layout from the Layout Tours.

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President's Report

Wishing all members and their families the best of health and hopes that this crisis ends soon. I would like to give special thanks to the group of dedicated volunteers with the SUPERTRAIN committee for all the hard work they have done in not only getting things ready for our event but also in dealing with the cancellation and all that was entailed with that. Thank you and here's to SUPERTRAIN 2021!

At this time all CMRS and related events have been cancelled. We are hoping to resume our activities in the fall, but this will depend on how the situation with COVID-19 unfolds.

To all those in the model train hobby and their families stay healthy. Stay active and keep eye on future status reports from your clubs and groups but also from those of us at CMRS board.

*Greg Hancock
President, CMRS*



SUPERTRAIN 2020 Cancelled

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, SUPERTRAIN 2020 has been CANCELLED.

On March 12th, the Alberta Government announced the banning of all public gatherings of 250+ people until at least April 30th. As soon as we heard the news, the SUPERTRAIN Committee has worked very fast communicating the show cancellation on our website and to our exhibitors. We also worked with our partners to limit considerably the financial losses we could have encountered. The Genesis Centre has generously refunded 100% of the facility rental fee, and the Glenmore Inn has agreed to forward the deposit for the Gala 2020 to 2021. We've been able to cancel most of the advertising, and save on most of the operating expenses like GES (booths and tables), shuttle buses, etc.

In the following week, all the paid exhibitors and food trucks that had paid their fees have been refunded. The volunteers that were already scheduled at the show should have also been advised the same week by their coordinator that the show has been cancelled.

Without the revenue from SUPERTRAIN, the CMRS is required to use some of the funds from savings, also named the "reserve funds", for our continuing operations and to fund SUPERTRAIN 2021. Rest assured, this will not affect our ability to run next years show. Further details on the financial's will be presented at the AGM in October. Again our thanks to the Glenmore Inn and Genesis Centre for being accommodating under these difficult circumstances.

The Committee is already thinking about the next show, and some planning has even started. SUPERTRAIN 2021 will be held on April 10th and 11th, 2021.

*Daniel Charest
Chairman, SUPERTRAIN 2020*

Membership Renewals

In light of the recent events (COVID-19), and that there are currently no events planned for the remainder of the fiscal year (June 30 2020). I would like to ask those members who have (2020) memberships that expire to consider renewing by mail. Please fill out a membership form found on the CMRS website calgarymodelrailway.ca and click on the "JOIN" link, and mail it to the address found on the form with your payment. Please NOTE: CMRS now accepts Electronic Fund Transfers at membership@calgarymodelrailway.ca this is a auto deposit account.

If you have any Questions about your membership please don't hesitate to contact me at the same email address.

Thank you in Advance.

*Selwyn Morris
CMRS Director
membership@calgarymodelrailway.ca*



<p>MEMBERSHIPS</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Completed forms and payment can be mailed to:</p> <p>The Calgary Model Railway Society PO Box 8071, Station A Calgary, AB T2H 0H7</p>	<p>ADVERTISING</p> <p>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 free of charge for members (provided the ad is relatively small), we can run the ad a second time if requested. Commercial ads are \$15/year for a business card size ad, more for a larger size.</p> <p>Contact the Editor at orderboard@calgarymodelrailway.ca for details.</p> <p>Deadline for the next issue is Sept. 15, 2020</p>
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Spring Mini Meet and CMT Annual Fleamarket

As you are now aware, these events were cancelled. Our deposit with the Glenmore Inn has been moved to next year. The Fall Mini Meet and Annual General Meeting is scheduled for October 18th, 2020, the Spring Mini Meet and CMT Fleamarket is scheduled for March 14, 2021.

*Marvin Burke
Facilities and Mini Meets*

Notice of Annual General Meeting

In accordance with our bylaws, the Calgary Model Railway Society Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday, Oct 18, 2020 at 13:00 at the Glenmore Inn.

*Brookes Harrow
Secretary CMRS*



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A Few Final Notes

I hope that everyone is practising social distancing and are taking advantage of this situation to spend more time working on the railroad. It is time to dig into the closet and get out those kits that have been squirreled away and get building! It is a great opportunity to spend some quality time in the basement, work on that layout, build some kits, do some weathering and general maintenance on cars and locomotives. All those projects that you have been planning, now is the time to work on them.

If you are in need of supplies, the hobby shops are offering delivery and pick up services even though they are closed to the public, so there are no excuses now! We are expecting to see great things to display at our next mini meet and at SUPERTRAIN 2021.

We have been getting more hits on our website lately, probably due to people sitting around at home and surfing the web. Here is a message that we received from someone in California:

As member of the Lake Jennings BSA Troop 325, I wanted to send The Calgary Model Railway Society some positive feedback on your links page. I hope you don't mind me reaching out in these scary times...but I figured everyone could use a nice message these days!

With all the uncertainty happening with the coronavirus, our troop has decided to postpone all meetings for the next three months. (Just to be safe!) That being said, we still encouraged parents to work with the kids at home to ensure we don't fall too far behind!

I've been putting together a list of activities for our troop's Model Design and Building Badge that we're working on. We thought the boys would love a fun modeling project to do at home, so we're making model trains! Your page led us to some great websites to check out - thanks for putting it all together!

Please stay safe out there!

Nick Hayes

<https://troop325lj.org/>



We have rescheduled our events for next year but these are subject to it being safe to hold events, a lot could change before next fall.

While you have all this extra time on your hands it might be a good time to think about volunteering for our organization. The SUPERTRAIN Committee is in desperate need of help in organizing and preparing for SUPERTRAIN 2021, some of the committee members are getting (how to put this politely?) “long in the tooth” and it is becoming physically difficult for them to continue working on some of the required tasks. Some fresh blood is needed to keep SUPERTRAIN viable for the future. There is a real risk that SUPERTRAIN could end, not due to financial reasons, but due to a lack of volunteers on the organizing committee.

We will also be seeking nominations for positions on the CMRS Board at the AGM in October as several of us have our terms expiring in October.

Everyone stay safe at home and hopefully we can resume our normal schedule of events in the fall.

*Brent Ciccone
Editor, OrderBoard*

Coming Events Schedule

all events subject to change

May 15-16, 2020	NMRA PNR Division Meet in Camrose has been Cancelled
Oct. 17, 2020	South Bank Auction
Oct. 18, 2020	Fall Mini Meet and AGM, Glenmore Inn
March 14, 2021	Spring Mini Meet and CMT Fleamarket, Glenmore Inn
April 10-11, 2021	SUPERTRAIN 2021

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