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Chillwack in Pictures



Dick Hawkshaw's Layout

Photo - Gary Hazell

Here are some pictures from the Mount Cheam Lions Club Model Railway & Hobby Show at Heritage Park in Chilliwack on October 16th & 17th. By all accounts a successful and enjoyable show although there are no official reports from the organizers.

NOTICE of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

All members are invited to attend the Annual General meeting of the Seventh Division, Pacific Northwest Region, National Model Railroad Association (CANADA) which will be held on Sunday, November 13, 2011 at 2:00PM in the Cameron Recreation Centre, 9523 Cameron Street, Burnaby, BC.

Respectfully submitted by

Bob Leggett

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Superintendent's Report

Gary Hazell

It has been a great tenure and a privilege to be your Superintendent for the last number of years. From the time when I took over the job from Scott Calvert I have tried to attend as many meets as possible and with the exception of the PNR meet in Boise, ID where Don Forsyth attended for me I have attended all PNR meetings. I have also attended a number of National meets and 7th Div. meets as well

There have been many changes over the last number of years; our 7th Div membership has grown to almost 350 members making us the second largest Division in the PNR, we have gone from a strictly mailed BB (snail mail) to over 2/3's of you now accepting it by email, and we now have colour pictures in the e-edition of the BB thanks to a lot of contributions from you, our membership. I was also able to take a number of pictures at the Mount Cheam show in Chilliwack Oct 15 & 16.

I would like to thank the entire executive and standing committee members for their help and guidance and especially Ken Rutherford and Russ Watson for putting together a slate for the up coming election of Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent. I hope you all got the notices and ballot. Results and tabulation will be done for or at the AGM.

I don't plan to completely step away and will help Russ any way I can. I will also continue to print the envelopes for the BB as it makes more sense to do it in Salmon Arm where Eric produces the BB.

Thank you all for making this a wonderful experience as your Superintendent.



Photo -Gary Hazell

Victoria Model Railroad Show

Ted Alexis



HO Modular Layout at Victoria

Photo courtesy of Ted Alexis

The 21st Annual 2011 Victoria Model Railway Show was held at the Cedar Hill Rec.Centre on September 25th with an attendance of 1200 people. This was a little lower than we anticipated considering all the advertising we had done. The committee received a lot of congratulations from vendors who did well for the crowds on hand.

The show featured award winning railway groups, hourly door prizes, and a popular vote contest for the best layout. The best module was selected from the Victoria H.O. Model Railway Club. We had large modular layouts from CFB Esquimalt N-Trak, Victoria Model H.O. Club, Toy Train Operating Society, Victoria OneTrak, Mainland Modular Railway Society, British Railway Group, Vancouver Island Garden Railway, The Water Boilers Club, and Popular Vote Contest winner Milenium Mines Railway from Nanaimo.

This year we had special quests, such as Tim Anderson of Nginer-ing, and Rail Scale Miniatures from Maple Ridge and the Vancouver Island Model Engineers from Saaichton, B.C.

At this time we would like to thank all our dealers for providing many door prizes, and this year we will be contributing our net profits to C-Fax Radio Santa's Anonymous, The Times Colonist Christmas Fund and PNR 7th Division.

In closing, I would like to thank our Committee, our Volunteers, and B.C. Shavers and Hobbies with their support in making the show a success. Also our committee will be looking at the future of our Railway Show with perhaps a change in venue, a new location, and time. These are certainly interesting times with our hobby, in trying to get new people into the best hobby in the world does has it's rewards. The rising costs in putting on a great show over the last 21 years has been a challenge for our Committee.

Stay Tuned, Ted Alexis, Show Co-ordinator.

Timetable

2011**Nov 4-5, 11-12, 18-19, 25-26, Portland, OR**

Columbia Gorge Model Railroad Club Annual Show, 2505 N. Vancouver Ave. 10:00 -5:00, doors close at 4:30. Info: - (503) 28-TRAIN, www.cgmrc.com

Nov 5 (Sat), 12, 19, 26, Portland, OR

Mt Hood Model Engineers 33rd Open House. Noon to 5PM, 5500 SE Belmont St. Info:- 1 877 378 6563 (voice mail)

www.mthoodmodelengineers.org

Nov 5 (Sat), Olympia, WA

OLY-OPS 2010, day-long operating sessions. presented by The Olympia Operations Group. 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM, still a few spots left. Participants will enjoy operating 2 different model railroads each. Admission: one or two cans of food for the Thurston County Food Bank, bring more if you can. Registration and Info:- Greg Wright, 360-352-5386 or

gregorywright2002@yahoo.com .

Nov 11-14, Burnaby, BC

TRAINS 2011, Annual 7th Div Fall Meet, Cameron Recreation Center, 9523 Cameron St. Trains Meet Registrar, P.O. Box 52224, North Vancouver BC V7J 3V5, 604-272-1623 (Registration ONLY), Info:-

www.bctrains.org.

Nov 12 (Sat), Kent, WA

Boeing Employees Model Railroad Club Annual Swap Meet. Kent Commons, 525 - 4th Ave. North 9:30am-4:00pm. \$7.00 adults, children 14 and under free. Info: - Ed Sherry, 206-244-3884, swapmeet@bemrc.com

Nov 12-13, Burnaby, BC

TRAINS 2011, Annual Public Show, Cameron Recreation Center, 9523 Cameron St. 10am-4pm. Info: - Trains RE: Public Show, P.O. Box 52224, North Vancouver BC V7J 3V5, trains2011@telus.net, www.bctrains.org.

Nov 19-20, Puyallup, WA

The Great Train Expo Puyallup Fair & Events Center, 110 9th Ave SW Sat & Sun: 10 am - 4 pm Cost: \$7; Under 12 free w/ adult Info:-

www.GreatTrainExpo.com, Bill@TrainExpoInc.com

Nov 26 (Sat), Edmonton, AB

Open operating session on the Monashee Pacific of the Edmonton Model Railroad Association, www.emraonline.ca. 1:00PM - 5PM, no-host dinner follows. This session is now full. To confirm attendance, or for more info:- ulvestad@telus.net

Nov 26-27, Medford, OR

Annual Rogue Valley Train Show, Medford Armory, 1701 S. Pacific Highway. Displays, Exhibits, Swap Meet, Door Prizes, Raffle. Sat 10-5, Sun 11-4. Adult \$5, Senior \$4, 14 and under -free with adult. Proceeds benefit the Medford Railroad Park. Info: - Bruce McGarvey 541-890-8145 or

rvmrc.net/

Dec 3 (Sat), Rickreall, OR

Railroad Show and Swap Meet - Sponsored by the Willamette Valley Model Railroad Club - 10AM-3PM Polk County Fairgrounds Hwy 22 and Hwy 99E, 10 miles west of Salem. Over 50 different vendors on over 100 tables, a wide variety of railroad products, and inexpensive food. Info:- Judy MacInnes 503-581-6071 macinnej@msn.com

2012**Jan 14-16, Seattle, WA**

38th annual Pacific Science Center show - 200 2nd Ave N, Seattle, WA. 10 am - 6 pm. The 4th Division, PNR coordinates the model railroads, historical displays, and related activities for this show. This is an exhibition show. No swap-meet or vendor sales. Child-interest activities and participation opportunities are encouraged. Current fee, parking, and other facility information is at www.pacsci.org/visitorinfo/. Info:- Frank Dekker, 425-746-6964 (evenings), rekkedrails@juno.com, or Jeff Moorman, 206-367-2377, kb7rr@arrl.net or see www.4dpr.org/PSCshow.htm

Jan 21 (Sat), Portland, OR

Spokane Portland & Seattle Railway Historical Society - Railroad Swap Meet. \$5 Admission, Under 12 Free. Holiday Inn - Portland Airport, 8439 NE Columbia Blvd. 10AM - 3PM Info: - www.spsrhs.org or Bruce Barney 503-257-8855

Mar 10 (Sat), Portland, OR

Willamette Model Railroad Club Swap Meet from 10am to 3pm at the Kleiver Memorial Armory 10000 NE 33rd Dr. (between Columbia Blvd and Marine Drive). Over 110 tables of Model Railroad equipment in all scales, Railroad Memorabilia, books, photo's and more. Free Parking. Admission: Adults \$5.00, under 12 free. Info:- Steve Cook 503-309-9543, e-mail: wmrswapmeet@yahoo.com

Mar 25 (Sun), Lewiston, ID

First Annual Lewis-Clark Railroad And Collectables Swap Meet, sponsored by the Lewis-Clark Train Club (LCTC). Nez Perce County Fair Grounds, 1229 Burrell Ave. 9:30 am to 3:30 pm, Admission: \$5 Adults, children under 12 free with adult. Over thirty-five vendors with approximately 130 tables with all types of railroadians, model and collectable toy trains, and many other collectable items. Info:- Mike McGee, President, LCTC, 208-816-6072; or Wayne Walling, msgtusaf@clarkston.com

Apr 6-8, Quesnel, BC

GOLDPAN EXPRESS 2012, PNR 7th Division Spring Meet, Quesnel Curling Club, large display hall, operating layouts, vendors, swap tables, contests, AP judging, clinics, layout tours, public show Sat and Sun, Friday burger night, Saturday night banquet. Info:- russwatson@me.com or anoble@telus.net (250) 992-8061 www.goldpanexpress.info

Apr 21 - Apr 22, Calgary, AB

SUPERTRAIN 2012 Canada's Biggest and Best Annual Model Train Show. 9 AM til 5 PM both days. Subway Soccer Centre, 7000 - 48 Street SE. Calgary FREE PARKING Adult - \$10, Youth (6-12) - \$5, under 6 - free. Over 60,000 sq. ft. of operating layouts, exhibits and displays, railroad artists, hobby shops, model manufacturers, demonstrations, clinics, museums and railroad historical associations, Lego and Thomas Play Area, garden railways, ride-on trains, and much more. Info:- www.supertrain.ca or info@supertrain.ca

May 2-5, Medford, OR

Siskiyou Summit 2012 Joint Convention. Pacific Northwest Region & Pacific Coast Region / NMRA. Red Lion Hotel Medford, 200 N. Riverside Avenue. Info:- www.pcrnmra.org/conv2012/

Jun 29 - Jul 1, Regina, SK

Living Skies Express 2012. Joint CARM National/PNR 6th Division Convention. University of Regina Campus
To add your activities to the Switchlist Timetable or PNR web page, contact the Timetable Editor, Mark Johnson at (780) 436-2480, timetable@pnr.nmra.org

Goldpan Express Early Bird Special

Russ Watson

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL!

Please see the enclosed GOLDPAN EXPRESS 2012 Spring Meet registration form and check out our early bird special registration fee. Please complete and send in your registration now to save money and let us know you'll be with us in April.

We continue to plan our meet and public show and add information to our web site: <<http://www.goldpanexpress.info>>.

Or please contact Russ Watson, 250-992-3452 for information.

CLINICIANS

Please consider presenting a clinic at Goldpan Express 2012 to earn valuable points towards your Author AP Certificate. Please contact Russ Watson to have your clinic included at the meet.

We are working hard to make Goldpan Express 2012 a great meet and we are sure you will enjoy yourself in our friendly town. You'll be able to park your car and take a short walk to all of the events with the exception of the self-guided layout tours.

We hope to see you in Quesnel on April 6-8, 2012!

More Chilliwack Pictures



**Salmon Arm Model Railroaders in Chilliwack
Winner-People's Choice Award
1st Place Club Layout**



**Salmon Arm Model Railroaders' Gary Hazell
Outgoing 7th Division Superintendent**

Photo - Ed Parson



Heritage Park Full of Model Railroads

Photo - Ed Parson



Lots of Trains For Sale

Photo - Ed Parson

The Skunk Train

Russ Watson



On our way to the NMRA National Convention in Sacramento this summer, my wife and I took an extended holiday into the western US states and rode eleven tourist trains along the route and on the way back north after the convention. Ten of the trains were steam powered.

An interesting standard gauge operation is the 'Skunk Train' in northern California. The line has two depots; one inland at Willits and the other on the coast at Fort Bragg.

Steam and vintage gas-car-powered return trains operate from Fort Bragg inland through the redwood forest 21.3 miles to Northspur - about half way along the line. A BBQ-style lunch is available at Northspur. Locomotives are turned on a wye for the return leg to Fort Bragg.

Gas cars make the return trip to Northspur from Willits and connect with the Fort Bragg train to offer tourist a one-way trip over the complete line, either Fort Bragg to Willits or in the reverse direction.



M-300 MotorCar

Photo Russ Watson

Locomotive No. 45 is a Baldwin 2-8-2 Mikado built in 1924 and very typical of logging locomotives that worked in the area. The M-300 motorcar in my photo was built in 1935. The line also operates a 1925 M-100 motorcar.

We rode the return steam trip from Fort Bragg on July 16, 2011. The day started out foggy but cleared nicely in the afternoon. We enjoyed a great burger and beverage at Northspur as a fellow dressed in a conductor uniform played his guitar and sang railway tunes to entertain us.



If you're in the area I recommend taking a ride. Complete information is available at <http://www.skunktrain.com>



Locomotive #45 - Baldwin 2-8-2

Photo Russ Watson

And oh ya, the name. It apparently originated many years ago because of the horrendous smell that those gas cars make!

GOLDPAN EXPRESS 2012

APRIL 6-8, 2012

QUESNEL, BC

<http://www.goldpanexpress.info>

1. REGISTRATION TYPE

PLEASE CHECK OUR WEB SITE FOR HOTEL INFO

SEPARATE FORM PLEASE FOR EACH REGULAR, VENDOR & EXHIBITOR		QTY		TOTAL
REGULAR - includes clinics, contests, tours and train show	Before Jan 31		X	\$50
	NMRA Members		X	\$45
	After Jan 31		X	\$60
	NMRA Members		X	\$55
NON-RAIL SPOUSE			X	\$20
COMMERCIAL VENDOR - Regular registration included with table rental for a maximum of two people <u>OR</u> SWAP TABLES for Regular Registrants - \$20 per table	TABLES		X	\$20
EXHIBITOR - sets up and runs an operating layout or provides a non-profit display, includes Regular registration. \$35 each	Do you require 6' tables? No charge Circle Answer NO YES How many? _____		X	\$35

2. EXTRA FARE MEAL EVENTS

FRIDAY BURGER NIGHT - includes Deluxe Hamburger and Caesar Salad ____ <u>OR</u> Fries ____ (PLEASE CHECK YOUR CHOICE), tea & coffee, no-host bar		X	\$12
BANQUET (Saturday) - turkey, ham and dressing, three salads, mixed vegetables, roast potatoes, cheesecake, coffee & tea, no-host bar		X	\$25

3. NAME TAG NAMES - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

TOTAL _____

REGULAR		VENDOR	1	
NMRA # (if applicable)			2	
NON-RAIL SPOUSE				
EXHIBITOR		CLUB/DISPLAY NAME		

4. PRIMARY REGISTRANT INFORMATION - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

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