

2016 AREA REP REPORT
100 Mile House to Prince George

by Russ Watson, Area Rep

As I write this in late October we have 12 members in our area: 1 in 108 Mile House, 2 in 150 Mile House, 2 in William's Lake and 7 in Quesnel. One of the members in 150 Mile House has not registered an email address with us. If you would like to contact members in our area, please send me an email. I will forward your email to the member(s) that you wish to contact and ask them to contact you. Unfortunately NMRA privacy policy prevents me from sharing member contact info directly with anyone. Contact info for all of our elected and appointed positions is available under the "About us" link on our website <http://7divpnr.ca>

Ongoing in our area are various visits and op sessions that are arranged between friends. The Quesnel Model Railroad Club is alive and well and have their layout open on Saturday afternoons in the Maple Park Mall.

In an effort to help members get to know each other and to provide member benefits, I am working on a one-day gathering for our area members and friends. I hope to contact you in the next couple of months once I have a location and date set up. Obviously winter travel in our area can make a winter date difficult. What can you expect at such a gathering? A clinic or two, a model show and tell, perhaps a layout visit and/or a slide presentation and lots of camaraderie. However it is up to you, what would you like to do or see at a gathering? Please contact me. I would like these gatherings to occur on a regular basis, however we will get the first one set up and go from there.

NMRA policy states that non members can attend three NMRA sponsored events before they must become an NMRA member to continue to attend. So I will invite all members and past members and ask that you invite your friends as well. I will certainly encourage non members to join, however that will not be the focus of the gatherings. As they say, "if we build it, they will come".

Please don't hesitate to contact me with your questions, ideas or just to say Hi. Continued best wishes for all of your model railroading activities - I look forward to seeing you soon.