

Fraser Valley Report

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The Abbotsford Model Railway Club continues to expand and develop its layout in Abbotsford farm country. I have been unable to arrange a visit to view the layout, but hope to in the new year.

The AMRC can be contacted at abbotsfordmodelrailwayclub@hotmail.com.

The Chilliwack Model Railway Club continues to develop its N-scale modular layout based on NMRA standards. They have most recently added a multi-track yard, constructed by Steven Savich. They attend as many events as they are able, and were recently at the Mt. Cheam Lions Train and Hobby Show in Chilliwack.

Coldslap Free-mo, also based in Chilliwack, continues to develop its modular layout fully compliant with the North American Free-mo standards. In June 2016 they attended the PNR Convention in Salmon Arm. The event attracted 27 participants who brought 40 modules from as far away as Calgary, Quesnel, Washington and Idaho. All enjoyed the two-day weekend run.

Coldslap Free-mo has just returned from the Mount Cheam Lions Hobby and Train Show, which was another successful meet with several non-member participants.

Anyone with an interest in pursuing the Free-mo concept is welcome to visit www.coldslapfreemo.org/welcome and/or to contact the group. The group will be pleased to mentor anyone with a strong interest in Free-mo. They have recently begun a foray into signalling in accordance with the California MSS signal system, and plan to have all modules operational very soon.

I invite all model railroaders in the Fraser Valley area to send me news, photos and updates on their activities; digital submissions only please. I am always looking for something interesting for this report. I can be contacted at sebelley@shaw.ca.