

Lower Mainland Train Expo Society Report  
to the  
7<sup>th</sup> Division, Pacific Northwest Region, National Model Railway Association  
Annual General Meeting November 18, 2021

Unfortunately, as in 2020, Vancouver Train Expo was cancelled in 2021 due to the COVID 19 pandemic and the Provincial Health Orders for public events. Given the way events have unfolded the decision to cancel the 2021 event earlier this year was wise.

As of October 25th Public Health Orders permitted venues to return to full capacity, subject to the screening for proof of vaccination, far too late to organize the event, had we had the courage to do so.

It is the Organizing Committee's intent to hold the event as soon as it is safe to do so with due consideration for:

- the health concerns of the volunteers, exhibitors, vendors, attendees and organizers,
- implications of Public Health Order requirements on staging the event, and
- the likelihood of financial success.

The past two years have seen a most unfortunate interruption for Vancouver Train Expo. The 2019 event was, by far, the most successful ever - with the highest public attendance, many new excellent exhibits, and revenue to provide significant Honoraria to exhibitors as recognition for their contributions to the event.

The Organizers appreciate, and thank, the 7<sup>th</sup> Division for its understanding and forbearance with respect to the terms of the Letter Of Understanding regarding financial assets of the Lower Mainland Train Expo Society, which remain intact as they were at the end of the 2019 event.

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