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Operating and collecting toy trains

Hi everyone,

PRESIDENT'S REPORT #11

It seems Fall has been postponed here in Vancouver, as the endless summer weather is still going strong as we enter October!

Our September AGM was another glorious sunny day, perfect for our traditional 'kick off the train season' Fall BBQ. Our Grill Masters Terry Berg and Mike Munk, with assistance from others, served up another fine meal of BBQ burgers, Smokies and all the extras.

I'm delighted to be starting my second year as President of this amazing Club. While most of the executive has returned for another term, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Members Peter Tofield and Ken Bowman, who have stepped down after many years of service to the club. Jim Barrett provided the financial report and budget, and I'm happy to advise we're excellent financial \$hape!

This AGM marks our 10th anniversary as an independent club. At this point in 2012, we had unanimously decided to strike out on our own but had yet to decide on the name we would take on. In October 2012, we became the Canadian Toy Train Association.

The Lynden, WA, show Oct. 1 & 2 was another great chance for us to get out and shop for more great deals on trains – and there were lots! – but also another opportunity to get our Modular Layout back to the show circuit and operating. We had a few hiccups this time out, but Thomas ran for kids and families two days straight. Tom Modica in nearby Bellingham, WA, brought some of his Santa Fe trains, and we got to break out some of the 'America based' Club trains. When we bring the layout to the USA, we don't bring any of the usual Club trains, except Thomas. Huge thanks to Jim Barrett for transporting the layout trailer down and back, and to the full-time weekend staff of Mark Horne and Tom Modica. The three of them managed the entire unload, set-up, tear down, reload and return.

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2022-23 CANADIAN CLUB MEETS

meetings at Charles Rummel Community Centre, Burnaby B.C. doors open at 11am UPCOMING DATES: SUNDAY OCT 30 SUNDAY NOV 27 SUNDAY DEC 18

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September Prize Winners ---> cooking up those burgers <--













John Constible with a grand show of some Standard Gauge beauties



Kyle gets to sit in the driver's seat of Alvin's 1957 Ford Fairline

while Keith Herndier brings his 1953 Packard

(love that tin!)



CTTA Modular Layout goes to Lynden Lions Train Show Oct 1



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EVENTS:

Sat Oct 15 & Sun, Oct 16, Squamish BC SEA TO SKY MODEL TRAIN & HOBBY SHOW Info: trainshow@wcra.ca

Sat Nov 12, Cloverdale BC CLOVERDALE COMMUNITY TRAIN & HOBBY EXPO Info: FP9ABA@GMAIL.COM

Sat January 21, Puyallup WA WORLD'S GREATEST HOBBY TRAIN SHOW CTTA BUS TRIP (SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS)

EDITOR'S CORNER (CHARLES REIF):

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW BOARD, LOOKS ALMOST LIKE THE OLD BOARD...

BUT THANKS TO PETER TOFIELD AND ISLAND REP KEN BOWMAN FOR YOUR YEARS ON THE BOARD. NO NEW NOMINEES THIS YEAR, BUT THINK ABOUT STANDING NEXT YEAR.

WE INVITE ALL MEMBERS TO SEND US PHOTOS* OR ARTICLES FOR THE NEWSLETTER, AT <u>creif@shaw.ca</u>

*AND EXPLANATORY NOTES PLEASE.



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Lots of O gauge trains at Lynden, and some Standard Gauge too



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This October is another exciting month for toy train lovers. The YORK, PA show is just days away, and CTTA has another group of members off for the annual shopping spree, suitcase packing festivities and fun special events. It's great to know that CTTA members from across Canada and the US will take the time to connect at York! Please take pictures and send them along for me to share.

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Closer to home, CTTA is excited to participate in the 1st Sea to Sky Model Train Show at the Railway Museum of BC in Squamish this Oct 15 – 16. Please support the show if you can! While our Modular Layout cannot be there, Gordon Hall will represent CTTA with an excellent display of his always fun and family friendly interactive displays.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as we can at our October meet and 2nd Fall BBQ, and to hearing about the fun times at York and at the railway Museum of BC.

Cheers to more trains!

Kyle



Ralph Spielman finds the new high speed Amtrak trains (26 units in the works), and something a bit slower, in upstate New York. Great fall days at the Burnaby Central Railway with Kyle Miller and Gordon Hall.



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New Mass Coastal Railroad cover photo taken at their engine house and yard in Bourne, Massachusetts (Cape Cod). The New Haven I "believe" is their FL9 and is most often used on the Cape Cod Central Railroad excursion trips.

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Massachusetts Coastal Railroad updated their cover photo. 20 - 3

Fans of all steam locos - Join Carl Young - Id - 🚱

The Duhamel wooden trestle bridge was completed in 1910 over the Battle River 20 km southwest of Camrose, Canada. At almost 4,000 ft. long and 120 ft. high, it was the longest and one of the largest wooden bridges ever built in the world. The bridge was dismantled in 1924 after the Grand Trunk Pacific become part of Canadian National Railways and the new railway decided to use the Canadian Northern crossing of the Battle river.



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