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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The May meeting was excellent and well attended; as was the Nanaimo Show the following weekend. Well done to Olivia and Sid on the food; Ed for the drinks, and everyone else who helped. Also great job Robin for organizing the Nanaimo Show.

The Canadian Pacific express cars were shipped a couple of weeks ago so you should have them by the June meeting. Thank you to all who purchased these cars.

As our train year winds down, please be sure to attend this June meeting. This is our special meeting to celebrate the past year's train fun by having a BBQ and incentive draw with great prizes. (one ticket for each meeting you attended).

See you all in June.

Mark



2011 TTOS CANADIAN DIVISION MEETS

all meets at Charles Rummel Community Centre, 3630 Lozells Ave.
Burnaby B.C. [doors at 11am, meeting 12:30]

UPCOMING MEET DATES:

JUNE 26, 2011

SEPT 25, 2011 [AGM]

OCT 30, 2011





Door prize winners
Gail Ferrier, Bruce
(what again?) Fowler,
and Peter (what no
picture?) Tofield.

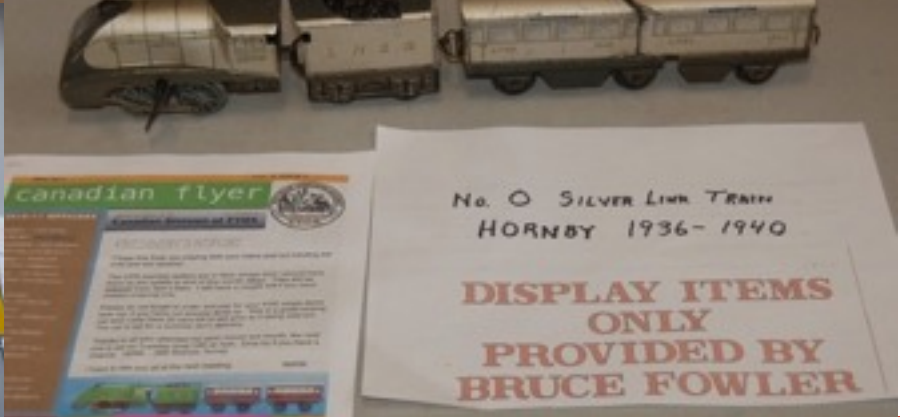
Is that a Blue Comet
290E? A real Blue
Comet 290E?



Frank Teoli and Bob Garton enjoy the show.

Frank Schmidt and Neil Wilson debate the merits of old tin.

Bruce Fowler brings his Silver Link to show off (not bad!)



NANAIMO MEET REPORT: JUNE 5, 2011

A great meeting, 27 attendees, lots of trains; Mark Horne as "guest auctioneer". Fun tales of "worst train deal ever" and "best train deal ever", plus an array of "mystery items", as shown below. How many can you identify?



Next Nanaimo meet planned for Sept 11. Contact Robin after June to confirm.



Fred doesn't miss much.

Gary and Bill with trains.

**Pacific Great Eastern Railway
Atlas Single Dome Tank Box Car**

April 16, 2011

Atlas O is manufacturing a prototypical single dome tank car in the Pacific Great Eastern Railway colors. This limited production "O" gauge tank car comes in two numbers in both 2 and 3 rail.

Production is scheduled for the summer.
The cost for Canadian Division members is \$ 65.00 CDN (depending on the CDN/US dollar).

Questions: email mhorne@shaw.ca or telephone 604-761-1306.



If you wish to order please complete the following order form and mail your payment (payable to "BACKSTOP") to:

Canadian Car, c/o Mark Horne, 56266 - 26th Avenue, Surrey, BC Canada V3S 6Z3

Name _____ Payment _____

Quantity _____ 2 or 3 rail _____

Date _____



UPCOMING EVENTS

September 25, Victoria --- Model Railway Show [see advert>]

August 9-13, Charleston, SC ---- TTOS 2011 National Convention.
info at www.ttos.org

June 26 -- July 3, Sacramento, CA ---TCA National Convention
info at www.norcaltca.com

June 14, Mark Horne open house at 7pm



James Cook asks: is that Millerest No. 10? Man that's a clunky tressle, but what the heck? Logs were cheap. Thanks James.

COMING TO VICTORIA

Victoria's Annual Model Railway Show

Sunday, September 25
10 am - 4 pm

Cedar Hill
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Vietnam Veterans of America -- chapter 165
First Annual Car Show -- Sunday July 24 - 10-2
Bellingham \$10 entry fee
Sunset Costcutter (Orleans and Sunset)
for further info contact:
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NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

Please send me pictures of your layouts, plus a 100 page thesis on your railroading philosophy! I still mean it!

Thanks to Peter for the meet pix, Robin for the Nanaimo pix and report, James Cook for the logging road shot.

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John Constible sends this photo of his very first train, from 1953.

Thanks John. Anyone else have a "first train" picture to share?

A BIT OF CANADIAN RAILWAY HISTORY

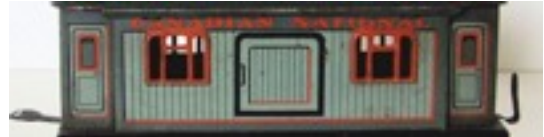


Canadian Government Railways' "Ocean Limited" on the Montreal to Halifax run, circa 1910-15. [From a poster]

Dominion Atlantic express loco with the "land of Evangeline" logo on the tender. circa 1915



Mark Horne's new trestle, 64" long and 11" high, on the bench awaiting developments. Is it in yet, Mark?



this self-declared Doctor has offered to submit a regular irregular column to this newsletter. Little is known of this Dr. Klinker, except that he used to write a fix-it column for the well remembered (or best not) rail mag, Plastic Toy Trains. [ed]

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Dr. Klinker in TTOS? The Doctor is Operating...

Before the good doctor leans into one more coupler fix, he wants to thank our westcoast Canucklehead trainfolk for inviting him into these hallowed pages. It seems a good fit, as yours truly slung a gun back in the '50s at Lionel. A solder gun, that is. Why, in those days if you got on the wrong side of the good doctor, he'd solder your clickers to the elevator door lip before you could say boo, and that's so true, so darned near true...

But those days are dim and his biggest challenge now is convincing modern train fanatics to remember what brought them into the hobby. The good doctor says it's all about fun and the simple joys of train foolery.

"To each his own" is both true and an excuse to grinch-out on the toy train lovers of Whoville. Avoid anyone offering to take that near-worthless large-door no. 2530 baggage car off your hands for sixteen bucks ("It doesn't even have lights"). He'll turn around and sell it twenty minutes later for a thousand bucks to another grinchy dude.

The good doctor prescribes best health by running your trains daily, weekly, (or at least monthly to prevent suicidal ideation):

A downcast Scottish scale railroader in a raincoat walks into a library in downtown Edinburgh, approaches the librarian and says, "Aye! Do ye have a wee book I could peruse on the subject of suicide?"

The librarian glances up at him from her computer and says, "Nay. Ye would na' bring it back."

Laugh heartily and run your trains!

so who is Dr. Klinker? Please don't ask. EBN