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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to the start of another great train year.

I must start by thanking Sid and Olivia, Ed, the Garys and all for a great June BBQ event. It was wonderful and enjoyed by all.

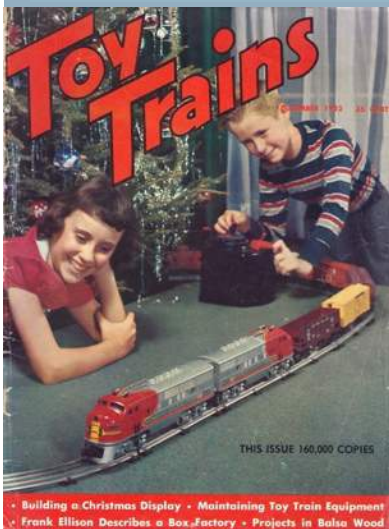
Over the summer most of us took a break from trains but a few of us are truly over-the-top and went to the TCA Convention in Sacramento. Vies, Tom, Charles, Gordon and myself all went to the meet and bought trains and had a great time. I bought many door and raffle prizes at the meet for a great price.

Everyone should have received their club Canadian Pacific express reefers by now. Atlas did a great job as always. Both the CP Express Reefer project and the upcoming PGE tank car project are sold out. Thanks to all who purchased these cars and helped support our club.

Please make an effort to attend the September meeting as it will be well attended by hungry train collectors.

Mark

Member Terry Bellinger passed away on August 17th from cancer at the age of 65. Our condolences to family and friends.



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:

SEPT 25, 2011 [AGM]

OCT 30, 2011

NOV 27, 2011



TTOS Canadian Division's famous June BBQ rolled again, thanks to grillmeisters Gary and Gary, Sid & Olivia managed the food, Ed the drinks, and Mark brought the grill and gas. Thank you all. Dogs and burgers supreme!

Food to spare. You should have been there (if you weren't)



June prize winners [door prizes and the great incentive draw] include Ray Palm, Bill Stephenson, Mike Brown, Jorge Beristain, Geunther Sage, Marius Vos, and Frank Teoli.





These photos of the White Pass & Yukon were taken by friends of James Cook this Summer. Thanks for sharing!



Why Is The Exec. Proposing To Raise The Meet Fees?

Currently we are paying \$5 per meet as a Meet Fee. Between 60 and 70 members attend each Meet.

The costs per Meet [hall rent, food, prizes, credits] are now working out at slightly over \$10 per person.

The Club's other incomes [Annual Dues, Club Car] are already not quite enough to cover the non-meet operating costs [Flyer printing and mail out, bus trip, badges, island and mainland layouts maintenance and transport, etc.] and capital budgets for both layouts.

The bigger the difference between what the club brings in and what it spends, the sooner our club will run out of money. Your Exec. believes we need to reduce the gap. The Exec. also thinks that the food and prizes are really good, and the hall too. And the hall rent has gone up significantly in the past several years.

Therefore, rather than reduce the things we enjoy at each meet, the Exec. is recommending raising the Meet Fee to \$10/Meet. Please come to the AGM on Sept. 25th, review the numbers, and make your views known.

[c. reif, secretary, canadian division ttos]



THE FAMOUS ORIGINAL IVES STANDARD GAUGE CIRCUS AS SEEN ON A TOUR AT THE SACRAMENTO TCA CONVENTION

A special Canadian Division "thank you" to George Burmeister of PNW Division for your generous track donation for our Modular Layout.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 11, Nanaimo --- train meet 12:30-4:30 \$5
 Oliver Woods Community Centre Info: Collector390@shaw.ca

September 17-18, Edmonton --- 2011 Great Edmonton Model Train Show. 10-5, Mayfield Trade Centre. www.mmrf.ab.ca

September 24-25, Calgary --- 25th Annual Railway Days
 9:30-5, 1900 Heritage Dr. www.heritagepark.ca

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

Oct 1 & 2, Lynden WA --- Lynden Lions Club International Model Train show. Sat 9-5, Sun 10-4
www.lyndentrainshow.com

Oct 15&16, Chilliwack --- Mt. Cheam Lions Club Model Railroad



Lost

white zipper jacket left on a chair at the June meet.
 contact George Plant 604 946-0460

Come to the Canadian Division AGM, Sunday September 25, 2011. Elect next year's directors, review our financial status and proposed budget, and vote on your Exec's proposal to raise the meet fee from \$5 to \$10.

Be there ---- or be Square [as they used to say]

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

Please send me pictures of your layouts, plus a 100 page thesis on your railroading philosophy! Do it now, no excuses!

Thanks to Peter for the meet pix, James Cook for the White Pass and Yukon photos, Tom Modica for the shipping shots and the Top Ten.

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COMING TO VICTORIA

Victoria's Annual Model Railway Show

Sunday, September 25
 10 am - 4 pm

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ELECTRIC TRAINS



Mark, Charles, Tom and Vies at the TCA Convention's Sacramento trading hall.

Left: the Sefton Collection layout at the California State Railway Museum.

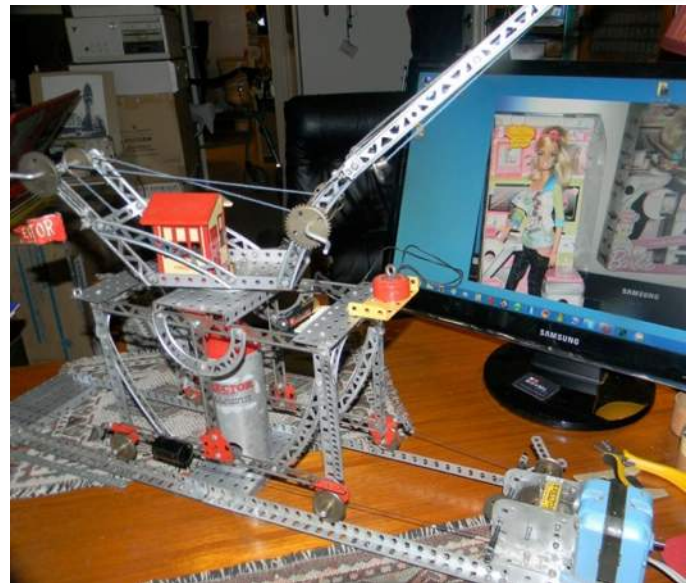
Right: Charles toured great Standard Gauge collections in Grass valley, CA.

"Sacred Places" ~~~ Trains Magazine's 1994 list of 10 historic sites every railfan should visit. [thanks Tom]

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| 1. Tehachapi Loop | 2. Vaughan, Mississippi (crash of Casey Jones) | 3. B&O Railroad Museum |
| 4. Saluda Mountain (steepest grade 4.7%) | 5. Promontory, Utah | |
| 6. Kate Shelly Bridge (13 yr. old Kate crawled across a nearby bridge to warn a passenger train of a washout) | | |
| 7. Grand Central Terminal, NYC | 8. Horseshoe Curve | 9. Chama, NM |
| | | 10. Spiral Tunnels, B.C. |

How many have you been to? [Tom has been to 4]

What would be an all-Canadian top 10? [email creif@shaw.ca or hand in your list at the September 25 meeting]



A peek at Roger Frisson's fabulous multilayer ceiling layout! 3 gauges (or is it 4, Roger?).

Mike Read sends his greetings, and this picture of the "fantasy traveling gantry crane". Erector, of course!

A maker of many layouts over the years.

Thanks, Mike. Hope to see you soon.



The old station at Midway, B.C. on a lovely day.



Soo Line 1907 train on display at Cranbrook.



what the google brought me --

back by popular furor, the good doctor continues his wayward march through the back alleys of history. [ed]

Dr. Klinker's Ocular Blinkers (blink, blink!)

Back in the glory years the Lionel Corporation played host to metric tonnes of celebrities and international dignitaries, true as true is.

The earth's brightest stars were transported to Hillside Heaven to gaze into the interstellar furnace giving birth to the finest quality electric trains in the universe. Show biz, political, societal and religious leaders often visited Lionel's Manhattan showroom.

To illustrate, I certainly do remember the reverence that coruscated through the factory when we heard the Pope, no less, was on his way to Jersey to see Lionel Trains in creation. Bonanno and Marfuggi immediately drafted up a dispensation request for Pope's blessing on certain parts of the Lionel Corporation seen as not carrying their weight at the time (ed: late 50's). Most of us were just tickled pink that the Pope was interested in what we were making.

I assisted new product promotion and attended special visitations, and so it 'twas I found myself pencilled in to show off Lionel factory production methods to the Catholic Church's head honcho, the Pope, no less, by jumbo!

When the hallowed day arrived and the factory was secured, we simply escorted him around, letting him in on anything about electric trains he wanted to know, and he wanted to know plenty. Why, he even made a couple of suggestions, true as true is.

One suggestion, for the #6557 Smoking Caboose, was to rig it to blow bubbles instead and call it the #6557 Non-Smoking Caboose. Why, he thought we could improve the #3444 Cop'n Hobo operating car by suggesting that after one trip around the car, the cop should forgive the hobo, catch up to him, then race the hobo around the car, which I thought was kind of a sweet idea, tho' truly for real, not many department heads agreed.

(by Eli Bryan Nelson)

Yes, folks, Dr. Klinker's journals have been discovered and shared by Canadian Division's own Eli Bryan.