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# Operating and collecting toy trains

## CTTA 2020-2021

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### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Gentlemen and Ladies.

Needless to say we are living in very unusual times and things are changing daily.

We had a wonderful Zoom meeting hosted by Kyle at the end of March and thanks to the over 30 members who attended.

I am sad to report the passing of Larry Woolward, a long-time member. Larry had been ill for quite some time; more details soon.

With vaccines rolling out I hope we can return to normal sometime in the near future.

Our club car projects are moving along well. the Atlas PGE tank car is sold out and the Atlas BC Rail hopper is also sold out. I am still taking orders for the BC Electric SW 8 diesel by MTH.

I have told MTH that I am interested in a PGE crane tender.

Thanks to Charles and Kyle for their great pictures and work on our Newsletter, our Facebook page and the CTTA web site. You are both doing a great job at promoting the club.

Be sure to visit our CTTA Facebook page as many members are posting great train layout pictures.

Be safe and stay home and play with your trains.

Mark



# 2020-21 CANADIAN CLUB MEETS

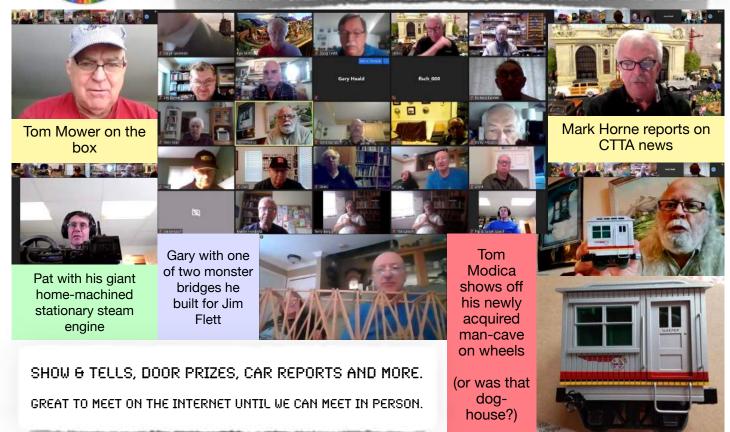
**UPCOMING DATES:** 

SUN APR 25 — by zoom SUN MAY 30 — stay tuned SUN JUNE 27 —



#### CTTA MARCH 28TH ZOOM MEETING — SOME HIGHLIGHTS

ONCE AGAIN HOSTED BY KYLE MILLER





Check out Gordon Hall's latest project! A new MTH F7 AB set purchased and repainted to CP Script paint over the last couple of weeks. #playwithyourtrains #toytrainsarefun



Not just a pretty face (though it is a pretty face), but also more power to pull the Canadian.

Gordon plans to power the B unit as well.



#### British Columbia Electric Railway SW 8 Diesel

The Canadian Toy Train Association is pleased to announce that MTH is manufacturing a British Columbia Electric Railway SW 8 diesel.

This very limited production "O" gauge scale engine is in the MTH Railking Scale line and comes in two road numbers in 3 rail.

Delivery is expected this fall / winter.

The cost is \$ 400.00 CDN per engine including shipping within the lower mainland and Vancouver Island.

The US cost is \$ 290.00 US plus \$ 30.00 shipping = \$ 320.00 US.



If you wish to order please complete the order form and mail your 100.00 deposit (payable to "Mark Horne") to:

Canadian Toy Train Association c/o Mark Horne 16266 – 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue Surrey, BC Canada V3Z 6Z3

Name				
Address				
City		State	ZIP	
	Email			
Quantity	diesels			3 Rail



Jim Sutherland
gets his
CTTA PGE S3
on track at last.

Nice string of billboards. tell us more?



above:
last of the chilly Arby's
Fridays
(spring is now here
on the west coast)

below: The Canadían resumes service in May [thanks Ralph Spielman]

By Transport Action | Intercity Rail and Bus



The Canadian train will resume service across its entire route from Vancouver to Toronto on May 37th 2021 and Toronto to Vancouver starting on May 23rd, operating once weekly in each direction, to provide much-needed public transport for essential journeys between communities along the line.

Favourite Diecast from Mark Horne: is it a terraplane? No, its a 1921 Leyat Helica! [see page 4]



EVENTS: The Covid 19 Pandemic has put a dent in the events calendar. The CTTA April Meeting will have to be a ZOOM meeting. Stay tuned for details by email.

EDITOR'S CORNER: THANKS TO ALL WHO KEEP ON 'TRAININ', TO THE EXEC WHO KEEP CTTA TICKING, AND TO KYLE FOR HEFTING OUR WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA.

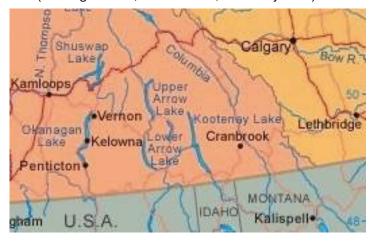
#### A PHOTO ESSAY

#### THE CPR AND THE LARGEST PADDLE-WHEELERS OF BC



S.S. Bonnington on the Arrow Lakes

The long lakes of southern B.C. (Okanagan Lake, Arrow Lakes, Kootenay Lake)





S.S. Nasookin at Nelson, Kootenay Lake (launched 1913)

S.S. Sicamous at Penticton, Okanagan Lake (launched 1914)





The Leyat Helica
at work 2020:
not famous
for stability,
but it hit
106 mph
in 1927



### MORE FROM THE BCE RAILWAY



Recent BCE models by Gordon Hall

BCHydro woodside caboose

270.365

Mark Horne

CTTA facebook



Mark has posted a Sifferent photo of his layout every day as a way to cope with Covid.

This week he posted picture #365