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## *Operating and collecting toy trains*

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### president's report

Gentlemen,

Another great train meeting with about 60 members and guests in attendance. I have sold the last of Bill Stephenson's collection – thank you to all who purchased. Again thanks Peter, Ed and the kitchen crew for a great lunch; your efforts are really appreciated by everyone.

The Monroe train show was fabulous. It appeared to have the largest attendance I have ever seen. Lots and lots of trains and people; many club members attended. Our layout was missed but will hopefully return next year.

Thank you for supporting your club treasury and club car projects, they really help the bottom line of your club and you get a unique Canadian car. Our current Atlas die cast hopper in Pacific Great Eastern colours is almost sold out – I have 9 hoppers left. Thanks so much. If you wish to order the PGE hopper please notify me ASAP. The cost of this car is \$ 85.00 CDN – a great deal!

We are compiling a list of all past members which will appear on our CTTA web site. At the next meeting I will have the list at the front and would everyone take a look and see if we missed any member and let us know. Also let us know if your name is mistakenly on the list!

See you at the end of the month.

Mark



## 2017 CANADIAN CLUB MEETS

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

### UPCOMING MEET DATES:

Mar 26

April 30

May 28





February door prize guys



And of course there were trains!



February Meeting — a good day for old friends, and new friends



Jorge Beristain showed his lovely scratch-built model of the CPR Yoho station, complete with lights and interior furnishings, and brought a photograph of the original building taken during the steam era



## Clark Gray recalls the beginnings of the Canadian Division

as told to Vies Szalanski

From what I remember the original members were: Alan Cruickshank (founder), Larry Setterfield, Clark Gray, Walter Halls, Ernie Penney, Jim Douglas, Art Schroeder, John Falkins, and Jim Perenice. Only myself, Larry and Alan are still alive. I may have forgotten a name or two but I spoke to Larry and he agrees.

I was approached in early 1974 by Alan Cruickshank via a phone call and he later dropped by my house for a visit. I believe he got my phone number from Mike at Mike's Kaboose that was a train hobby shop on East Hastings at the time....long gone. Alan said he was trying to organize a local (Canadian) chapter of the TTOS and was looking for interested prospective members.

I would guess that our first meeting was about March 1974 at Alan's house in New Westminster. Most of the first meetings were held there and later we met at different homes. A twelve pack of beer was always part of the meeting along, of course, with an auction.

I believe it was 1977 when Mark paid me a visit at Neptune Terminals in North Vancouver where I was employed as Rail Traffic Mgr. for nearly 35 years. He had dropped by to take pictures of the Neptune owned locomotives and I escorted him around the property. The subject of Lionel trains eventually came up and we discovered we had another thing in common. I mentioned our local group in which Mark seemed interested. I eventually received a phone call from him stating he would be interested in coming out and the rest is history.

Have a story to tell about the early days of the Canadian Division? Please share it for the newsletter.

*How many can you name from this 1980's photo? Note the club McCoy CP Loco.*



**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Mar 19, Sun., Burnaby BC Info: [westernrails@wcra.org](mailto:westernrails@wcra.org)  
Western Rails Cameron Recreation Complex

April 2, Sun., Nanaimo BC Info: [kj.rutherford@shaw.ca](mailto:kj.rutherford@shaw.ca)  
Vancouver Island Spring Model Railroad Show (Beban Park)

April 22-23, Calgary Info: [www.supertrain.ca](http://www.supertrain.ca)  
SUPERTRAIN 2017

July 24-29 Tacoma LCCA Convention  
info: [lionelcollectors.org](http://lionelcollectors.org)  
don't forget to check the website for updates  
[www.canadiantoytrains.org](http://www.canadiantoytrains.org)

**Pacific Great Eastern  
Atlas 55 Ton Coal Hopper**

Atlas O is manufacturing a 55 ton coal hopper in Pacific Great Eastern Railway colors. This very limited production die cast "O" gauge hopper car comes in two numbers in both 2 and 3 rail. Delivery is expected in summer/fall 2017.

Cost of the car is \$ 75.00 US plus \$ 12.00 US shipping per car. All cars will be shipped from Washington State. Questions: email or telephone 604-560-4028



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

**Canadian Car c/o Mark Horne**  
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Quantity	_____ 2 Rail		_____ 3 Rail	
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EDITOR'S CORNER:

THANKS TO PETER, CHARLES AND KYLE FOR MEET PICTURES, GAIL FERRIER AND DAVE COOK FOR THE ST. CATHERINE'S MEET PIX, JORGE BERISTAIN FOR BRINGING HIS LOVELY YOHO STATION, AND CLARK AND VIES FOR THE HISTORY.



Dave Cook  
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Catherine's  
train meet:  
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marx  
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## Theodore Nicolas Diakow



Theodore Nicolas Diakow 22 February 1929 - 18 February 2017 It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Theodore Nicholas Diakow. Ted passed away peacefully on Saturday February 18, 2017 in Lumby, BC, four days shy of his 88 th birthday. Ted was preceded by his wife of 48 years, Lise Diakow (née Rondeau). He is survived by his children Charlie (Julie), Genevieve (Steven) and Sasha (Karen); and by his granddaughter Charlotte. Ted was born in Rosedale, AB where he grew up as Ukrainian-Canadian prairie boy during the height of the Great Depression. Ted moved to Vancouver in 1944, graduating from Britannia High School in 1948. He spent 10 years working and travelling through Europe during the 1950s. Returning to Vancouver in the 1960s, Ted met Lise in Vancouver at Sunset Beach. Ted drove across the country to marry his Lise in Montreal in 1968; they honeymooned in Thunder Bay, ON when their car broke down. Subsequently, in 1970, Ted and Lise moved to the Cayman Islands, BWI where Ted worked as an accountant. He was proud that both Genevieve and Sasha were born in the Georgetown Hospital, five years and five days apart. Returning to Vancouver in 1983, Ted continued to work in the financial industry. He will be remembered for his love of reading and bridge playing, his love of model trains, his famous Bloody Mary's, and for proudly wearing shorts everyday for the past 35 years. A small celebration of Ted's life will be at the family home on March 18, 2017. Condolences may be offered to the family at [tnd1929@gmail.com](mailto:tnd1929@gmail.com).

With regret we announce the passing of long time member Ted Diakow. You are missed.

### Looking For Mamook Models signs

made years ago by the late **John Smyly** of the Canadian Division TTOS.  
contact Jim Sutherland — [sgtsudds@gmail.com](mailto:sgtsudds@gmail.com)



## CANADA'S LARGEST RAILRODIANA SHOW

Sunday March 19th 2017

9:00am until 4:00pm

Cameron Recreation Complex

9523 Cameron St. Burnaby BC

— behind Lougheed Town Centre —

**Vendors buying, selling and trading ...**  
Models, Collectables, Photos, Timetables, Keys, Locks, Lanterns, Buttons, China, Telegraph equipment, etc  
**Plus see operating model layouts**

**Show Entrance Fares** Cash only please  
Adult \$8.00 ... Senior (60+) & Youth (6-15) \$4.00  
Family (max 2 Adults & 3 Youths) \$20.00 ... Child (under 6) free



**INFORMATION** ... email [westernrails@wcrs.org](mailto:westernrails@wcrs.org); or phone (604) 484-2791 (Has voice mail – Please leave message)

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KITBASH CORNER

A NEW FEATURE OF THE CANADIAN FLYER

SUBMIT YOUR KIT BASH PHOTOS WITH SHORT EXPLANATION TO [CREIF@SHAW.CA](mailto:CREIF@SHAW.CA)



A CN pacific. by charles reif  
working with a marx 333, with a closed cab added, CN style handrails and number board.  
matching all-green coaches by marx too.

A CP pacific  
by dan gory

working with a lionel 225E  
and 2056, and a  
scratch built tender.



No need to be serious, either!  
shark trolley and 'famous' orca trolley  
by charles reif  
send in your kit bashes of all kinds!



44 TONNERS

williams by bachman

reality 1974

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