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PRESIDENT'S REPORT #2

Dear CTTA Members,

I hope you all enjoyed a Happy Halloween and didn't overindulge on leftover mini chocolate bars!

October brought a small bit of relief as capacity restrictions were lifted for our many venues including our Community Centre. So, no RSVPs were required to attend this month's meet. It was great to get together again, and we welcomed 57 Members to the October meet. Our lunch time planning was spot on as we ordered Subway sandwiches for 60!

It was a nice feeling to sit in the middle chair at the table as your CTTA President for the first time! Many thanks to the executive for helping the meet go smoothly, and thanks to those of you who have put forward encouraging words of support.

We had a long list of items for Treasury Auction, and another list of items for sale at general auction. Some fine trains and sets were up for grabs and many items found their way to new homes. Trains purchased for Treasury support the bottom line and financial health of your Club!

Mark has announced that we will commit to another 'Members Appreciation Special' Club Car soon. It will be a very Limited-Edition 'wedge' snowplow in PGE livery, manufactured by MTH. It will be offered at a special 'Deep discount' price. Likely production will be late 2022 for 2023 delivery.

Mark gave the membership the much anticipated 'York Report'. A good time was had by all, Canadian and American Toy Train lovers mingled, and our members all returned safe and sound, luggage heavier and wallets lighter, just as expected. We are all happy that Hotel Lobby pre-show sales were strong, extra suitcases were filled, that Tom Modica posted pics of Lobby show & tell every day.

More good news arrived with news that the US Border will be opening for land travel again on Nov 8. Train Shows are starting to return to schedules, including Calgary's 'Supertrain' coming in April 2022.

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2021-22 CANADIAN CLUB MEETS

UPCOMING DATES:

SUN NOV 28

SUN DEC 19 (New This Year!!)

SUN JAN 30



October 31
57 members
not
spooked
by Covid

door prize
winner in
the sun (2
others got
away)



lots of
trains
incl. a
Marx
estate
sale



Trains
from the
1920's,
trains
from the
1950's,
and lots
more.



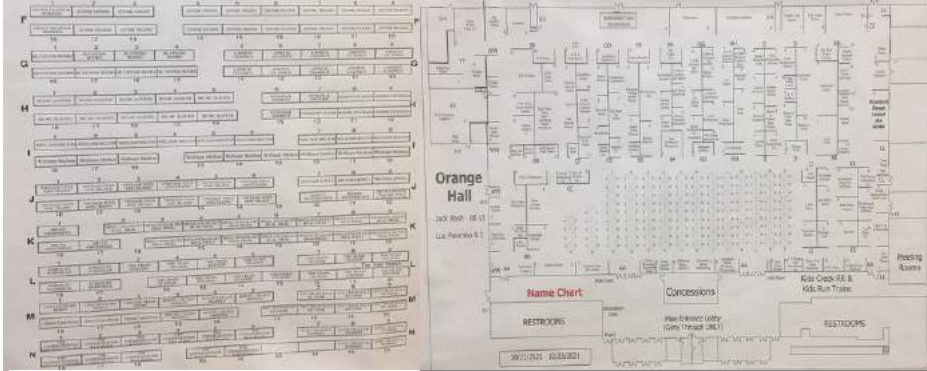
And a very special inspirational poster
for someone's train room!

A Yorking Experience: an October Train-fest



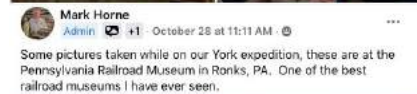
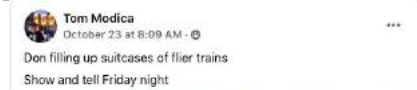
A pre-York send-off "Tailgate Friday" celebration.

This year's contingent was small but intrepid — coping with masks and border covid tests to bring home treasures. First time for James and Barry?



above: maps of just 2 of 8 halls.

below: the crew at the ICA Museum



Thanks Tom Modica and Mark Horne for documenting the trip

BC ELECTRIC 961
the most beautiful
small scale
electric
locomotive
never made
in 3-rail

am I wrong?



EVENTS:

Oct 31 CTTA – Charles Rummel BBY
*watch for notice of attendance requirements

YORK Oct 21-23 – is happening;

Puyallup Jan 2022 – is happening;
*stay tuned for bus trip update

EDITOR'S CORNER (CHARLES REIF):

WELCOME KYLE MILLER, CTTA'S NEW PRESIDENT. HUGE THANKS TO MARK HORNE FOR CARRYING ON WITH THE CLUB CAR PROJECTS, TO KYLE FOR CONTINUING TO HEFT OUR WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA, AND TO ALL OUR EASTERN AND AMERICAN MEMBERS WHO HAVE GOTTEN TO KNOW US (AND VICE VERSA) IN THE ERA OF ZOOM.

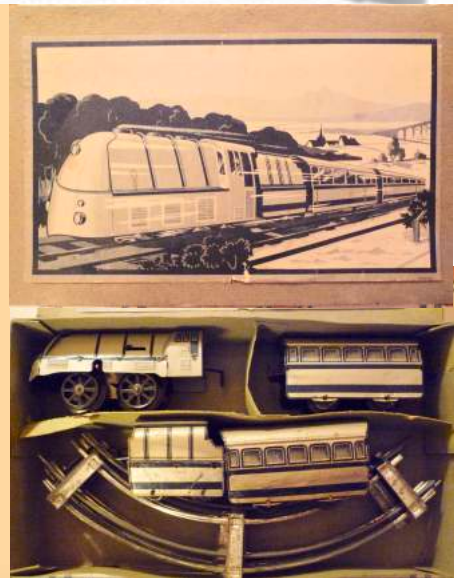


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of the
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efforts of
toymakers
Karl Bub and
Adolf
Schumann

c. reif collection



Gold Trails and Ghost Towns · Join

Olaf Dijkstra · October 30 at 10:55 AM · 🌐

Another fabulous picture of the time that was. A CPR passenger train meets the SS Nakusp at Robson, near present-day Castlegar. The mountain-and-valleys terrain of the Kootenays made a train and boat service the most practical system of 1890's transportation.

The Nakusp, launched in 1894 and reputed to be the finest sternwheeler in the province - with hot and cold running water, steam heat, electric lights, and chandeliers in the dining room - plied the Arrow Lakes, connecting rail end to lakeshore communities.

#bchistory #beautifulbc #kootenays

Source: "Faces of British Columbia", Rosemary Neering and Joe Thompson, 1995, Whitecap Books.



Wow, a great early picture.

Model
This!



Remembering The Lost Railways of Southern BC · Join

Eric Brighton · 7h · 🌐

First BC Electric Freight Train circa 1908.

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We have started planning for our Annual Bus Trip to the Great Train Expo in Puyallup, WA on January 22, 2022. We intend to offer Members another great value for the trip. An obstacle causing concern is the current requirement for persons coming into Canada to have a Covid test.

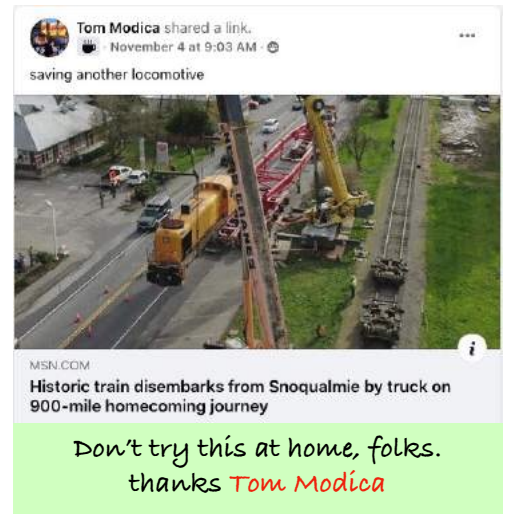
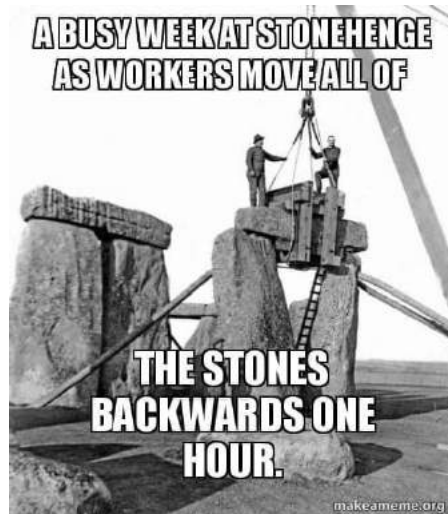
We have an 'extra' in-person Club Meeting scheduled for December this year and we will also host a ZOOM e-meeting in December for those of you who are not close to Vancouver!

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible again on November 28th. Current Public Health Orders and Vaccine Protocols will be in effect. If you have any questions or concerns, contact me!

Cheers and choo choos, Kyle



Dan Gory shows off some great double door boxcars from two pacific northwest short lines. lovely.



A homemade camelback by C. Reif does a make over on a plastic Lionel Scout loco.

Prewar Christmas Dreaming for the Canadian Boy

