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Although it is one month late, we should all wish our club a Happy Birthday. The Canadian Division of the TTOS is 31 years old as of March, 2005. A lot has been accomplished since the founding members spearheaded the movement to form the Canadian Division.

All of our train collections, regardless of which scale of trains we collect, have grown tremendously during the intervening years. We can all be proud to belong to this excellent club where we can become more knowledgeable about our hobby and meet and make lasting friendships.

The envelopes used for this newsletter and all forthcoming newsletters are our own design. The stamps we were able to put together to use came from a stamp dealer in **Vancouver**; they were bought at face value and should add a nice touch to our newsletter. I thought that being as we were celebrating a birthday, a special effort was due to commemorate the occasion.

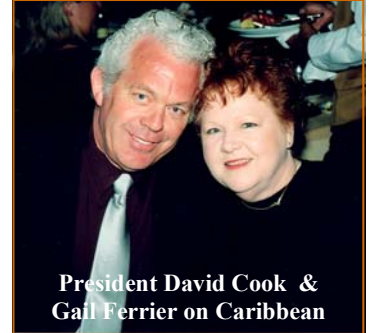
You should know that the **Fort Langley Railroad Days** Event, usually held in June, has been cancelled. In light of this change of plans, our club accepted an invitation to participate in a Toy and Antique Show on Sunday, April 17. The Canadian Division was the only club layout invited and if I do say so myself, our presence added a special touch to the day.

You just never know who you will see at these kind of shows, Former member **Rob Wisken** was down from **Lumby** selling his die cast cars and Ernie Schmidt and his wife were also there selling.

Special thanks are warranted to **Neil Wilson** and **Gary Zabenskie** for the all of the extra work they have done on our club layout. Those present at the Toy show were **Tom Modica**, **Mark Horne**, **Frank Schmidt**, **Frank Teoli**, **Charles Reif** and myself. I hope to see many club members out for the April Meeting.

See you there!

Regards, **David Cook**, President



President David Cook &
Gail Ferrier on Caribbean

MEETING DATES

April 24, 2005

May 29, 2005

June 26, 2005

All meetings take place at

Charles Rummel Community Centre
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*This photo appeared in our February edition with the question ...
Do you know who this is?*

*Since no one was able to guess who this baby boy was,
we have to tell you it was none other than
Bargin Bob Mitchell... seen here in his prime?*



Even The Simpsons like Old Toys!



PHOTOS

*Nell Sarasin,
John Constible &
Bob Mitchell*



*Alan Cruickshank
gives great directions*



*TTOS Canadian Division Meeting Regulars
in photos by Ed Stephens from the March Meeting.*



Above: Bob Clough



*More Photos
from the
Antique Toys &
Collectibles
Show at the
Croatian
Cultural
Centre where
some members
came out to
play with the
club's layout
and fabulous
collection
of toy trains.*



*Above Left: Gary Zebenskie play-
ing with the control (*%\$#*)..*

*Left: Ernie Schmidt & his wife
obviously having a great time!*



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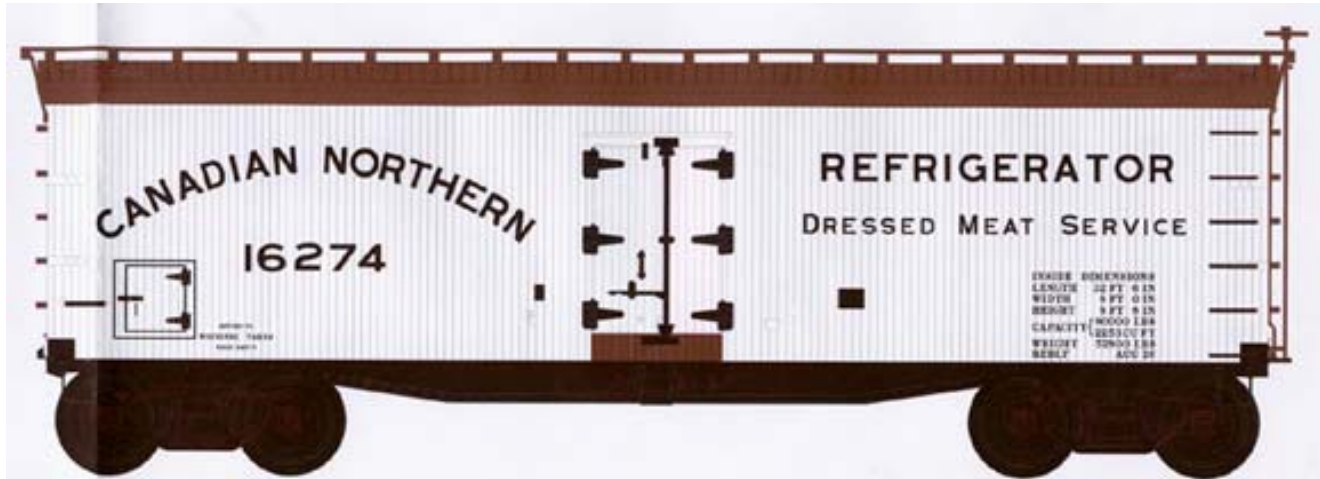
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Shipping extra; if shipped.

All cars will be shipped from Washington State.

Questions: email mlhorne@shaw.ca or telephone 604-987-8817

Colour Pre-production artwork shown on page 2 TTOS Canadian Flyer, November 2004 Edition.

To order please complete the following form and mail your payment
(payable to "Canadian Division TTOS") to:

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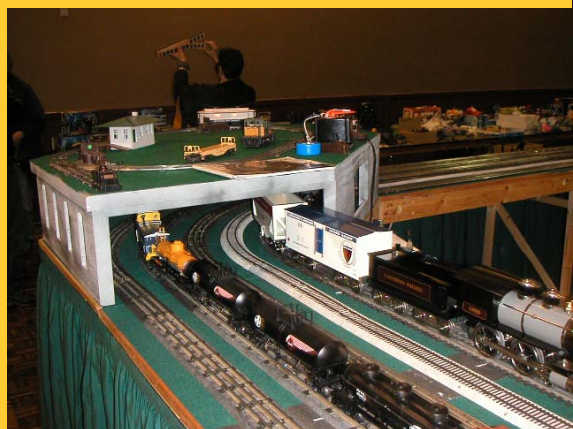
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JP Johnson was obviously blinded by Mark Horne's sparkling repartee

*It 's all Fun & Games when the Boys Come Out to Play with the TTOS Canadian Division layout. This time it was an extra outing for the Antique Toys & Collectibles Show at the Croation Cultural Centre
What a Gas!*



Gary Zebenskie, Frank Teoli, Tom Modica & Neil Wilson admiring David Cook's wonderful MARX Western Pacific ABA set... at the toy show at the Croatian Cultural Centre on April 17th WOW!



*Left: Andy, our host from the Antique Mall
Above Right: Ernie Schmidt with all his toy cars.... Hey Ernie, Where are all the toy trains?*

Toy Train Operating Society 2005 National Convention

REGISTER TO ATTEND !

The first one hundred fifty (150) convention registrants will receive a “Las Vegas & Tonopah, Railroad” poster suitable for framing.

The poster measures 15 ¾ inches x 21 inches and has the LV&T route map on one side. The other side has original LV&T advertising, schedules, and a history of The Goldfield.



- There will be raffles and a bid auction in the **Trading Hall**.
 - **The Welcoming Party Silent Auction** will feature some great items coming out of the TTOS archives.
 - **The Convention Banquet** will feature a silent auction during the Cocktail Hour.
 - After dinner, you can expect to see some great items at the **Bid Auction**.
 - As mentioned in the chip page, we are gathering as much **documentation on the gaming chips** as we can get. This material will be organized into a historical set of information on each gaming chip and auctioned.
- Artwork and prototypes** for the Las Vegas & Tonopah convention boxcars, the AC Gilbert milk tank car, and the transparent boxcar will be auctioned.

Gaming Chip Incentive The conditions below are not difficult to meet; they are actually pretty easy to meet. The intent is to provide an incentive for TTOS members to attend the Las Vegas – 2005 convention and to reserve rooms at the Riviera Hotel. If we meet our room night obligation, we get the trading hall and meeting space for free. If we don't meet our obligation, we have to pay for the trading hall and meeting space. The gaming chips are the first of their kind; don't miss out on this opportunity to get some of them. For easy identification, the “TTOS Chip” has the TTOS logo and the Steam Engine graphic. The “Lionel Chip” has the Lionel logo and Diesel Engine graphic. Final graphics of the chips may vary slightly from the illustrations in this brochure.

1. **Age** - You must be age 21 or older to obtain a gaming chip. NO EXCEPTIONS!
2. **TTOS Membership** - You must be a current TTOS member in good standing and registered to attend the TTOS 2005 Convention. You must be the member whose name is on the TTOS convention registration form as the registrant.
3. **Riviera Hotel Registration** - You must be a Riviera Hotel registrant at the Toy Train Operating Society Convention Rate.
4. **Number of Nights Lodging** - You must have paid for at least two (2) nights lodging at the Riviera Hotel, up to a maximum of five (5) nights at the Toy Train Operating Society Convention Rate. For verification, TTOS will receive a daily hotel registration roster of those that have paid for Toy Train Operating Society Convention Rate lodging at the Riviera Hotel.
5. **The Award Schedule** – Gaming chips will be awarded based on the following schedule.



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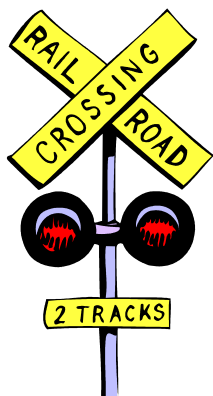


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COMING EVENTS

April 23 & 24 9am – 5pm

13th Annual Antique & Collectable Show

Queens Park Arena, New Westminster BC
200 plus tables -- All types of collectables, toys, tins, rail-
road, general store items etc. Admission \$3.00
Information 604 939 4874 or 604 856 5378

Saturday, April 30th 11 am – 4 pm

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April 30th & May 1st Ride the Iron Rails

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This time we travel the "Goldfield Route" to Las Vegas, Nevada.