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#### President's Message

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MAL Island Ken Bowman 1 250 592 6194 y the time you receives this newsletter the Cameron show and the Nor-Cal meet will be over for another year.

I would like to thank everyone who helped out at the Cameron show, we are regularly getting more members out to the meets to help set up and most importantly to participate and run trains. I'm pretty sure that's why many of us joined the club in the first place – to play with our toys.

Speaking of running trains, *Mark Horne's* open house was a great success! A few new faces were present and I am sure that everyone there was thoroughly impressed with Mark's layout and also his extensive roster of trains. Thank you Mark for a great evening.

On behalf of the entire Canadian Division, I want to congratulate *Gary* and *Katelon Zabenskie* on their marriage. We wish recent them happiness and smooth sailing in the years to come. I hear that Katelon has joined the TTOS and is a member ofthe Canadian Division Congratulations, I believe that means Gary now has two members that he has signed up and by my records; he is leading the pack in the Membership Contest.

A gentle reminder to those members who want the Grand Trunk Pacific Reefer car, Mark is still accepting orders. We seem to be moving ahead to a sell out of this run, as we usually do with the club car. The cars are available in two and three rail versions and there are two numbers available. I should mention that when we were at Mark's house, he was running his Reefer club cars and they looked very impressive. You too could be running these collector specials just by placing your order. If nothing else, ordering a car is a good way to help support your club.

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Door Prize winner from the February meet chooses the train — every time!

2007 TTOS Canadian Division Meets

All meetings take place at Charles Rummel Community Centre 3630 Lozells Ave Burnaby, BC

> Doors Open 12:00 Meeting 13:00

Door Prizes, Sale Tables, Lots of Toys, & a Great Auction!

March 25 April 29 May 27 June 24

August 5 - 12, 2007
TTOS National Convention
Altoona, PA, USA
September 30
October 28
November 25

#### FEBRUARY CLUB MEETING









We had a great turnout at the February meeting... almost 70 members turned out for some great table sales and auction items. — More Photos at www.ttoscanada.org





Special Thanks to Martha Pernice & Patricia Shaw for helping out with lunch at the February Meet.

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#### FUN WITH TRAINS AT MARK HORNE'S HOME





Luke Balogh examines Mark's control panel. Below left David Scott & Ted Diakow catch up.





Right — JP Johnson, Ted Diakow, Luke Balogh, Ray Palm & Bob Garton all had a great time at Mark's open house on March First.

Thanks to Mark and Laura for opening their home to the club members. Mark's layout is impressive and like everyone's layout — a work in progress.



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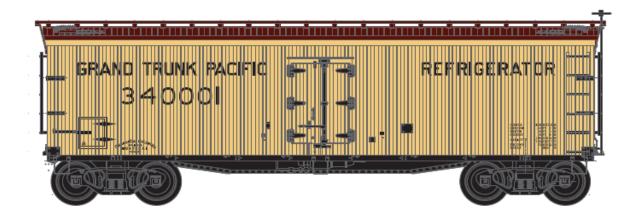


#### Atlas O

# Grand Trunk Pacific Railway 40' Woodside Reefer

Atlas O is manufacturing a prototypical 40' woodside reefer in the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway colors for the Canadian Division TTOS. This very limited production "O" gauge reefer is available in two numbers in both two and three rail.

Production is scheduled for Spring 2007 with delivery during August. Cost is \$ 55.00 US or \$ 65.00 CDN plus shipping.



All cars will be shipped from Washington State.

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

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

Mark Horne, 5574 Woodpecker Place, North Vancouver, BC Canada V7R 4P2

Name				
Address				
City		State/ Prov	ZIP	
Email				
Quantity	Reefers	2 I	Rail	3 Rail

#### WHAT'S UP ?

#### **President's Message**

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Just a quick note regarding your personal property, please make sure that you take all of your trains, and personal possessions with you at the end of a meet. There were some very valuable trains left at the hall in February. Luckily I noticed them before I left. The owner was located but I do still have an unclaimed "Canada Line" coffee mug. Is it yours?

The TTOS National Convention Is in Altoona, PA., the first week in August. I hope some of our members are planning to attend. I am sure that the trading hall sales at this year's convention will be much different than those in the recent past. Pennsylvania is where the York Meet is held and I have a feeling that perhaps we could see some very interesting trains for sale. I have been planning our trip and being as we have family in the Toronto-Hamilton area in Ontario we will stopping by to visit family and then driving down to Altoona, it is approximately eight hours from Hamilton, Ontario to Altoona, PA... not much further than Portland, Oregon from Vancouver..

I would like to thank everyone who donates items for our treasury auction. The small and not so small items that you donate help to keep us flush. We had close to seventy members present at our last meeting in February; let's see if we can keep those numbers up. There were some very good deals both at the table sales and the auction. See you

there! Regards David Cook, President

# TOY TRAIN OPERATING SOCIETY 2007 NATIONAL CONVENTION

Altoona, PA

- Tours start on Monday August 6, 2007
- Welcome party and silent auction Thursday August 9
- Hall open for trading Friday August 10 and Saturday August 11 for T.T.O.S. members only.
   There will be an open to the public meet on Sunday August 12, 2007
- The banquet and auction will be held Saturday evening August 11, 2007.
- The board meeting, trading hall, auction hall, and banquet will be held in the Blair County Convention Center. Located at One Convention Center Drive Altoona, PA 16602.

#### **Hotels**

#### **Ramada Hotel and Conference Center**

1 Sheraton Drive Altoona, PA 16601 814-946-1631 Rate: \$89.00 plus tax per night.

#### **Courtyard by Marriott**

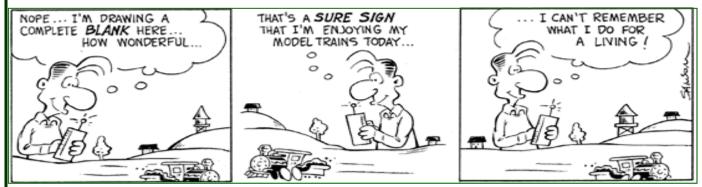
2 Convention Center Drive Altoona, PA 16602 814-312-1802

Rate: \$114.00 plus tax per night.

#### **MUST ASK FOR THE TTOS RATE !!!!**

www.ttos.org

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Toy Trunk Railroad www.toytrunkrailroad.com

REVIEW Here's something unique. A daily comic strip about Toy Trains. Why not? Is it funny? We think so. **Erik Sanson** is a guy from Toronto who draws cartoons about toy trains. Cruise his archives for a quick moral boost to know you aren't crazy, it's the rest of the world. Further proof, as if any were needed, that the niche does not exist which cannot find itself a place on the Internet. Go to **www.toytrunkrailroad.com** and whooooooooo whoooooooooo with laughter for an hour or two.

## CHECKING THE GOODS & MAKING THE DEALS ON TABLE SALES AT THE MONTHLY MEETINGS...



It doesn't seem to matter if you're buying or selling or just looking around... everyone appears to be having a great time at the TTOS Canadian Division Toy Train Operating Society monthly meetings.... Come on out and check it out for yourself... Next Meeting March 25...

#### The Gang's All Here... and having a blast!



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#### TRAIN EVENTS IN BC







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Friday April 6, Saturday April 7 & Sunday April 8, 2007

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P.N.R. 7th Division Spring Meet
Prince George, B.C.
More Info / Contacts:
Bill Hood or (250) 563-4779
Brian Freemantle or (250) 564- 2225
Frank Parks or (250) 562-3588
Garry Grant, Director PGR&FM or (250)

Sunday, April 15, 2007
10: am - 4: p.m.
23rd Annual Vancouver Island
Spring Model Railroad Show
Beban Park Recreation Center
2300 Bowen Rd., Nanaimo, BC
Canada

964-6574.

Admission: Adults - \$5, Family - \$10, Child ( 6 to 12) - \$ 1.00, Senior - \$ 4.00 NMRA - \$ 3.00

Info: Ken Rutherford - (250) 724-4698

Sunday, May 20, 2007 10 am—4 pm Pacific Rails 2007 <u>Model Railway Show</u> McKinnon Building Gym, University of Victoria

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Information: Stewart Clark 250 478 4405

Admission: Adults \$5. Family \$12.

**Royal Hudson News** 

First Official Trip
The First Official Hudson trip has been announced:

Sunday, April 15, 2007 to White Rock for their 50th Anniversary Celebrations. Tickets are now available from WCRA Tours.



Sunday May 20 2007 Victoria Toy Show Mary Winspear Centre 2243 Beacon Ave, Sidney, BC

"The biggest toy show in western Canada!"

It has become a tradition and regularly hosts over a hundred tables of collectible toys and dolls! There's lots to see and do! If you have toys to sell or get valued, if you're a rabid collector, or if you're just a kid of any age, this show is for you!

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