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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A part from the weather or the lack of good weather, this past summer was interesting. I did not attend the National Convention in Altoona this year. I just couldn't work it into our schedule. We, have heard from other TTOS National members that it was a good event and generated a few new members for the eastern divisions.

I did, however, make it down to **Portland, Oregon** to visit my oldest son. That visit coincidentally occurred on the same weekend as a LOTS Convention and I convinced my son to take in a few hours on the Saturday with his good old Dad..

There was also a TCA meeting on the Sunday which is held in **Aloha, OR**. — a suburb of Portland. The TTOS and TCA share a clubhouse with a permanent layout there, so we got to run trains and renew old acquaintances. Thanks to **Tom Steeves** for the invitation. Gail and I will be going to the **Cal Stewart** Meet in November; I want to attend the TTOS executive meeting so I have to be there on the second of November which means I have to leave Vancouver on the first of November. This is a bit awkward as our wedding anniversary is on the first of November. I thought it was best if Gail came with me.

My thanks to **Jim Barrett** for inviting the club to his house for a session on casting lead figures. It was a good day and we learned that Jim not only casts figures for his layout, which by the way is pretty big and quite interesting, (see photos on page 5) he also has a very large collection of military figures which he has cast and painted. It was interesting to see how he makes the molds and how the casting is done. We did a little casting in his back yard and he gave us a couple of railroad figures to take home. We also had a BBQ and a few beers, which topped off the day nicely. Thanks Jim.

Our club has a busy fall coming up. For the members on the mainland we have a two day show in **Lynden, WA**, the first weekend in October, a two day show in **Chilliwack** the second weekend in October and a two day show at the NMRA show at the **Cameron Community Centre** in Burnaby in November. The club will only be taking the layout to the Lynden, WA. show as it is difficult to cross the border into the USA with the trains. Members who live in Washington will be supplying the trains to run at that show.

To the best of my knowledge the **Island Group** has one show in September. I would urge all of our members to come out and run trains at these shows, it is a great opportunity to see what trains your club has and also to see what trains your fellow members collect and run.

As usual, in November club members will be headed down to Seattle for the train show. so if you want to be a part of this year's bus tour don't forget to sign up. **John Warlimont** will once again be looking after this great club excursion. Thanks John.

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**Danny Barrett — son of
Jim Barrett with President,
David Cook June 2007**

TTOS CANDIAN EVENTS

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE continued...

The open house at the CNR yards in **Surrey** was a good time and a nice end to the summer... or hello to fall. The event was enjoyed by all of our members in attendance, but I forgot my camera.... Has anyone out there got pictures?

Unfortunately there was not a train to ride this year, but there were about five speeders that attendees could ride — to everyone's delight. **George Plant** and I hopped on board. I don't know about George, but it was my very first ride on a motorized speeder. If the CNR hosts another open house next year, you should plan to attend.

Mark Horne has advised us that sales of the Grand Trunk Pacific Reefer -- this year's club car -- are going well. If you still haven't bought your club car, please see Mark. All proceeds from the sale of club cars goes to funding your clubs activities. Definitely a win / win situation. Next years Division Car will be a CP Reefer and Mark has advised that it should be an early sellout. Make sure that you order your cars in time.

Due to the prosperous nature of our division, the executive has decided that we will add one more door prize for each meeting. Starting this September, there will be two door prizes plus the auction certificate offered at each club meet.

Gail Ferrier would like to see a little more in the way of articles or "how to" stories for the monthly TTOS Canadian Flyer. You should also be aware that if you have train related items for sale, you can post them in your club's newsletter at no cost. Please remember to shop and support our regular advertisers. We have lost a couple of them in the past year so we do have advertising space available, but the good ones are still there for us. I hear that **Central Hobbies** will be offering a little more in the way of "O" Gauge this year, check them out.

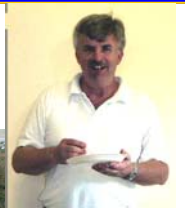
I would like to thank all division members who have helped and volunteered to make our division an organization we can all be proud of this year. Without your hard work it would not be possible. Thank you.

I hope to see you all at our September meeting. There is lots to do and a lot to discuss and some "serious" fun to be had in the coming year.

Best Regards

David Cook, President

Photos June Club Meet. The second annual Barbecue was wonderful! Thanks to Mark Horne for the barbecue equipment and the tent.



Incentive Draw Winners: JP Johnson, Ted Diakow, Loren Smele, James Cook, Ken Warner & Bruce Fowler — each with President David Cook



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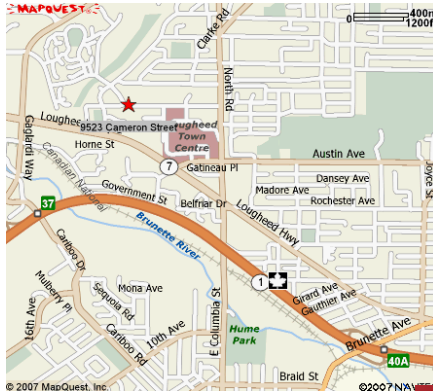
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E V E N T S

Sunday September 16, 2007 Victoria Train Show

Cedar Hill
Rec Centre
3220 Cedar Hill Road,
Victoria, BC
Layouts, Vendors,
Displays, Food service.
Admission: * Adults - \$
5.00 * Family - \$12.00
* Under 10 Free when
accompanied



October 21 2007 Retro Design & Antiques Fair.

Croatian Cultural Centre.
3250 Commercial Drive. Vancouver, BC
175 vendors. Fun Sunday show, with a great selection to
suit every taste and budget! General admission 10am-
3pm \$4. Early-Birds 8am-10am \$20. Free parking,
snack bar. Information:
21st Century Promotions 604-980-3159
www.21cpromotions.com/antiques_fair/index.html



October, 13 & 14, 2007 Mt Cheam Lions Club Model Railroad and Hobby Show

Heritage Park,
44140 Luckakuck Way,
Chilliwack, (Freeway Exit #116)
Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Sun-
day 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
Operating Layouts, Commercial
Displays & Sales, Food Services
Admission: Adults - \$ 5.00 Seniors / Students - \$ 3.00
Family - \$ 12.00 (up to six) Under 6 free when accompanied by
an Adult. For more information: James Hill Mount Cheam
Lions Train Show Chairman, Phone - 604-824-1757
Fax - 604-795-5046 qdee@telus.net



October 28 2007 The Victoria Toy Show

Mary Winspear Centre,
2243 Beacon Ave.
10am-4pm. \$3 for adults.
Lots of free parking.
Early admission for \$20.
Contact: 250-727-2403 or

NOTICE OF AGM

The Board of Directors for the Canadian Division
of the Toy Train Operating Society gives notice of
our Annual General Meeting and Election of
Officers for 2007/2008 will take place

Sunday, September 30, 2007

**at Charles Rummel Community Centre
3630 Lozells Ave Burnaby, BC**

Doors Open 12:00 Meeting 13:00

**Your current slate of Directors have all
indicated they are prepared to continue to serve
the TTOS Canadian Division as Officers**

See List on Front Page of this Newsletter

Any member who wishes to stand for election to the
board, or nominate someone to stand for election,
should contact our nominating committee,

**Ken Warner 604 434 5037 or
Frank Schmidt 604 271 9290**



November 10 & 11, 2007 Cameron Recreation Centre

9523 Cameron Street,
Burnaby, BC.

Trains is British Columbia's

premier model railroading

exhibition. 2007 will mark the 25th anniversary of Trains. This
annual show serves as an exhibition of the great hobby of model
railroading, bringing together those with experience and those
who are just becoming interested. You've got to be there...
whether you have a model railroad empire of your own, a train
set or are just hoping to see some cool models.

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Member Layout will be there...
will you?

Saturday 11 AM to 4 PM,
Sunday 11:05 AM to 4 PM.
Admission: Senior (60+) \$3
Adult (16-59) \$6 Youth (6-15) \$3
Child (0-5) Free Family \$15
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formed Youth Groups Free





TTOS CANADIAN DIVISION CLUB CARS FOR SALE 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. **Cost is \$ 55.00 US or \$ 65.00 CDN plus shipping.**

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.

All cars will be shipped from Washington State.

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

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

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It is with great sadness we report the passing of TTOS Canadian Division Member

Evans, Norman Donald

January 31, 1938 to July 27, 2007

After a long battle with cancer and Crohn's disease. Survived by his loving wife Esther of 50 years; children Tuesday, Philip (Angela) Evans and Kim (Terry) Durrant and grandchildren Chad & Tamara sister-in-laws Janette & Lynn and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

His career as an Electronic Design Engineer and his life long passion in railroad and model railroading brought out his talents as inventor, data acquisition, instructor, public speaker and technical writer for MERG; and Railway Signalling Society.

Norm was a Founding member of Trolleyman's Historical Society, member of TTOS and NMRA. A quick wit and dry sense of humour will make him greatly missed at our club.

TTOS CANADIAN DIVISION MEMBERS HAVE FUN!

JIM BARRETT

— We're not sure when he finds the time, but Jim Barrett has a fabulous operating toy train layout at his home and he makes his own lead figurines including toy soldiers. Earlier this summer, Jim invited TTOS members to a HOW TO DO IT hands on session and treated us to a barbecue.

On September 11, Jim, who is a Major in the 15th Field Artillery Regiment, Royal Regiment of Canadian Artillery (reserve) was promoted to commanding officer. **CONGRATULATIONS JIM!**

He is also actively involved in the Arbutus Cricket Club and volunteers with the Scouting movement... and that's all in his "spare" time. He also has a full time job.



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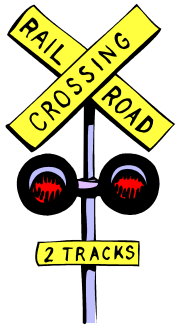
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L— Lynn Nystrom, Tom Steeves and David Cook II at an event in Portland, OR.

R—Bill Brandt, President Pacific North West TTOS Division

L —Part of the permanent layout of the TCA/TTOS in Aloha, Oregon.



Below — Those of you at the May meeting remember

the trains Gail picked up at auction for \$1. They're a lot of fun for our grandchildren Connor 2 & Ashley 10.



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