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lmost another year has passed ... still I don't have enough trains! My wife thinks I have plenty but there is always room for more.

I hope everyone has done well with their hobby this year. It's been great to see more of our members getting out to events where we can run our trains.... Like the semi-annual shows at Cameron Rec Centre.

Our "CN Woodside Reefer" should be a great addition to all of our collections. Hopefully we will be seeing them soon.



I want to remind everyone of the *Fort Langley Railroad Days* coming up in June. Last year was my first year there and I had a wonderful 2 days of running trains. Our club modular layout has track for all gauges of toy trains so why not come out and run those trains that have been tucked away in your closet all year or even "years".

If anyone has not received their TTOS 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary commemorative Mug yet -- let me know either at the May 30 meeting, by telephone 604 931 4056 or email <u>railroadnut@shaw.ca</u> I will see that you get one.

I know it is a bit early, but I would like to remind everyone to make plans to attend the June meeting. That is when we have the draw for the "Attendance door prizes". For each meeting that you attend you get a draw ticket.

A sad note this month — **Bob Tivy** has passed away. I don't have all the information regarding his passing but our thoughts are with Bob's family at this time.

If anyone has anything at all that they would like to advertise in the *TTOS Canadian Flyer*, a story to tell or events to promote, feel free to contact my wife *Gail* or myself with your ad or information. The newsletter belongs to you and you are free to use it. I hope to see you all at the meeting.

Best Regards David G. Cook

#### MEETING DATES

Sunday, May 30 Sunday, June 27

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

Doors Open at 12:00

Meeting Starts 13:00

Door Prizes, Sale Tables,

Lots of Toys, a great auction —
refreshments are served



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#### From the Desk of Neil Whitehead, TTOS National Secretary

he May 1st deadline of early registration for the 2004 National Convention in Fresno has come and gone.

I have been advised by TTOS National that registrations are below 100. This would mean that a lot of TTOS members have decided not to support the CEN-CAL division or TTOS National by attending

the 2004 Convention.

TTOS is a non profit Society and depends heavily on member participation for its very existence. Funds for TTOS National come from Dues, National Car Sales and Conventions.

A decline in membership affects the dues revenue and hence the Society's ability to function. The Bulletin, Order Board, and the head office operation are all paid for by membership dues. The revenue from the sale of National 'Special' cars, which allows members to buy unique rolling stock, helps to enhance the services offered to all members. The yearly National Convention gives members an opportunity to meet people from all backgrounds and all interests in the hobby of Model Railroading. The tours and activities at a Convention allow one to expand their knowledge of the hobby. Through

contacts with others, who share a common interest, you gain knowledge, friendships, and spend time at some very interesting locations.

ASK not what your Society can do for you; BUT ask what you can do for your Society. Keep your dues current, volunteer to help at train shows, recruit new members, and attend train shows and Conventions to gain knowledge of your hobby. Volunteer to assist your Society in any way possible to assure the growth of, and interest in, TTOS and Model Railroading.

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CREETER STRACKS

Neil Whitehead... National Secretary

#### Wanted Lionel #246 Engine shell in unbroken condition, or complete engine

also require loads for inexpensive postwar sets.

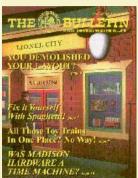
I am also looking for 6112-25 cannisters in white or red — these are the postwar ones with the printing on them not the later MPC ones.

If you have anything I will be at the May meet or I can also be reached at 1-604-864-2175

or email: j e war@hotmail.com
Thanks! John Warlimont

#### BENEFITS OF BELONGING

TTOS has two publications for our members.



Six times a year in the odd months
The Bulletin comes out.
Our members submit articles on
operating and repairing trains,
or on special collections or pieces
they have acquired.
We publish reviews of new trains or
new books on trains, research on
historical toy trains, and other
articles that would be of interest

to a toy train enthusiast.

Wanted LCAC CN Boxcar with green door Ian Kennett 604 583 4494 (H)

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Sunday & Monday

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Adult ~ \$16.00 Senior (65 and older) ~ \$15.00 Student (13 to 18 years) ~ \$14.00 Child (3 to 12 years) : \$10.00 Lap Pass ~ children under 3 free Family Rate ~ \$53.00 2 adults, 3 children Or 2 adults, 2 youth

Group Rate ~ \$13.00 (20 person minimum, reservation and deposit required) Special rates for School groups

#### **National Train Show,**

sponsored by the National Model Railroad Association (NMRA).

Friday, July 9, - Sunday, July 11, Stadium Exhibition Center in downtown Seattle, - Over 35,000 sq ft devoted to layouts, in addition to all the booths. Of interest to this list will be the award-winning S layout, "Lookout Junction," of the Rocky Mountain Hi-Railers from

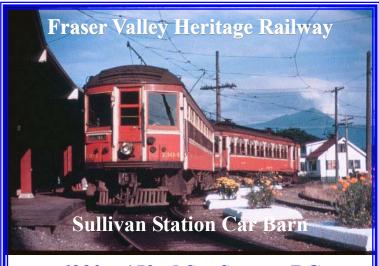
In addition, *Lee Johnson* will be bringing the Bay Area S Scalers' layout. *Don Thompson* from S Helper Service will have several booths, as will *Billy Wade from BTS*, and *S-'n-S Trains* will be there, too. There may be some other S vendors as well. Please join us!

Idaho.

#### NASG Western Region Convention July 10-14, 2004. Tacoma, WA

Inland Empire S Gauge Association of the Pacific Northwest (Spokane-based) will be displaying their layout, along with the Northwest S Scalers from Oregon. Read the Dispatch or go to the NASG website for more info. One way or another, there will be lots of S action in the Puget Sound area this July!









some great photos and storiesfor more information and some great photos and stories



#### Here's an Idea!

#### **Member Photos**

Hi David,

Thanks to you and Gail for the great job on the "Canadian Flyer" once again.

As we are all trying to foster interest in model railroading and toy trains in particular, as well as recruit future members to TTOS, I thought you might be interested in passing on this idea.

Over the past few months, while getting my hair cut, I have been chatting about toy trains with my barber other clients. This week I took in a copy of a recent <u>Classic Toy Trains</u> magazine, an extra copy of the <u>2003 Lionel Catalogue</u> that I had, and a copy of the March edition of the "Canadian Flyer" to be left in the shop for anyone who is interested. When those go I'll leave some more. My barbers said they were interested in seeing some trains so I may leave an old engine with them next time....



Just an idea - we'll see if we get any new rcruits!



See you on Sunday.

> Cheers, Gary Walmsley



Above: James Cook sets up the computer systeme to process the auction data.

Below Centre: Frank Teoli & Alan Cruickshank discuss prices with Frank Schmidt



#### **Member Photos**

The delightfully warm and sunny weather in April meant some members stayed home in their gardens we think.
We are looking forward to a great meeting on May 30.
See you there!

Photos taken at the April Meet by David Cook



Above: Victor Finds some goodies

bove Right JP and John Constible get into a serious discussion

Right Martha Pernice takes a moment to relax while someone else reads the fine print



#### IN MEMORIUM: BOBTIVY



It is with sadness we advise of the death of fellow-member, Bob Tivy.

Bob Tivy was a quiet-spoken man who collected primarily American Flyer pre-war O and Standard Gauge. Bob worked for CN before his retirement to the West Coast, and became involved here with the advocacy group "Transport

2000" around transit issues.

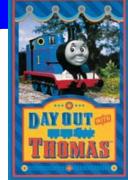
"He and his wife were both curlers," said Charles Reif. "I liked him very much." The funeral was at St. Mark's in White Rock. TTOS Canadian Division benevolent committee sent flowers.

"We're losing entirely too many members!" said JP Johnson when he learned of Bob's death.

Bob's son, Robin, is also a toy train collector of "S"

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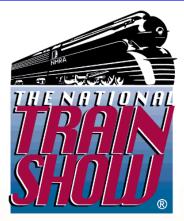


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Seahawks Exhibition Center

Friday - July 9, 2004 2:00pm to 8:00pm Saturday - July 10, 2004 10:00am to 6:00pm Sunday - July 11, 2004 10:00am t

#### **Admission:**

Adult - \$ 10.00 Discount Adult (65 and older) - \$ 9.00 Two Day Adult - \$ 18.00 Youth (6 - 12) - \$ 5.00 Children Under 6 - Free o 5:00pm Ed Stephens, one of our TTOS S-Gauge members, advises that we could take advantage of these dates and experience a two for one trip.

Another good idea ED!



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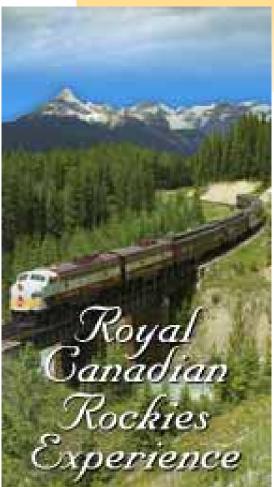
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The Royal Canadian Pacific route follows the historic CPR line, completed in 1885 to form Canada's first transcontinental railway. The Royal Canadian Pacific travels on some of the most spectacular railway in the world, including the famous Mount Ogden spiral tunnel.

Planning your summer vacation? Check out some of the exciting historical train trips in Canada. This is only one of many that grabbed my attention with the announcement of a special STEAM RIDE this year... Unfortunately we didn't have the \$50,000. to buy that ticket, but there are many wonderful rides available at moderate family rates. Expand your toy train hobby and ride the rails of Canada this summer!

#### An end, and a beginning

The Canadian Pacific Railway was formed in 1881.

The story of the railway is filled with history and achievement.

Canada's first Prime Minister, Sir John A. MacDonald, resolved to

"build a Pacific Railway to unite the country". George Stephen, one of the
founders of the railway along with Donald Smith and R.B. Angus,

struck a deal with the government to build the railway.

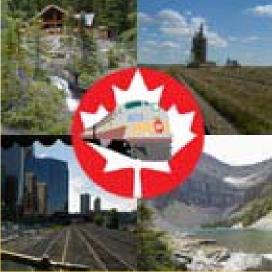
The job fell to William Cornelius Van Horne. On November 7, 1885 Donald

Smith drove the "last spike" connecting the Pacific Ocean to central Canada.

Van Horne observed - "It was the end. And the beginning."

More info on CPR website: http://www.cprheritage.com/

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