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## President's Message

The year is passing so quickly and it seems I never have enough time to work on my trains. Gail and I have returned from our house sitting stint. Three weeks away from home in the spring can really set you back on the yard work.

For those who missed the TTOS meeting in Bellingham all I can say is you missed a great meeting. Over a dozen Canadians made it down to the Bellingham Railroad Museum for the PNW Division meeting. I am including in this newsletter a copy of the email that was sent to **Tom Modica** from **Bill Weed**.

Your Club donated one of our prized BC Rail Cabooses for a door prize; it was won by **Judy Spaulding of Bothell, WA. Mark Horne**, doing what he does so well, handled the auction and the bargains available were fantastic.

Tom Modica did a great job setting up the meeting and we are all looking forward to next years event.

The membership contest is coming to an end, so far **Bruce Fowler** is in the lead with three new members but I am sure if you guys shake the tree a bit you could come up with a couple of new members. Gail and Nell did a head count at our last meeting and the number of people in the hall was 73.

I would like to say at this time that as your President, I was very proud of the way the subject of the subsidy for the Island group was handled. To be truthful, I didn't think it would be as civilized as it was. I think that good hearts prevail in our club.

I hope to see you all at the next meeting, if nothing else you have to com to see what Gail is serving for lunch.

Regards,

*David Cook, President*



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**May 28**

**June 25**

**September 24**

**October 29**

**November 26**

## TTOS MEMBERS APRIL MEET



*The buyers and the sellers were out in record numbers at our April meeting. In addition to the guys who never miss a meeting, we saw some new faces this month. New members & guests. We encourage each member to bring a guest to the next meeting... and don't forget your wallet because bargains abound at the auction.*



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## TTOS Canadian Division Members Visit Bellingham

Subject: Thank You Tom!

Author: [DYMONDWEED@aol.com](mailto:DYMONDWEED@aol.com)

Date: 5/8/2006 1:16 PM

I don't know what your expectations were for the meet yesterday, but the venue, numbers and camaraderie far exceeded anything I had envisioned. Many of those folks, from both sides of the Peace Arch, were in attendance because of your personal touch.

With so many coming in through the door, you were "slammed" and yet you held up under "fire" to the utmost. Great job. Well done and thanks.

Members from Vancouver area made the meet. I know that Bruce and others from here have joined the Canadian Division, saying the Canadians are so friendly and really nice guys. They jumped right in to assist in leadership ways and really helped carry the program. They all had a smile and warm manner. All good people.

Please convey "Thank You" to the friendly museum staff from the club. Their hospitality and helpfulness was icing on the cake for an extremely enjoyable (and educational!) afternoon for all. We wish them a successful and busy summer season.

I loved the museum, but was trying to meet and talk to folks so I missed a lot (didn't really get very far on meeting new folks, either -- so many and so much going on). Want to study pics on walls and the G Gauge logging scene and models some more. Will try to return, maybe via train in morning and catch the evening International back. Best of both worlds!

Thank you also for rescuing my coat. I seem to be forgetting things lately. But as long as I can remember how to turn on the transformer, I'll be all right.

Again, Pam and I really enjoyed yesterday! Outstanding and thanks. Take care.

Bill Weed

***Our gang & other toy train enthusiasts.  
Thanks Tom. We had a great day!***



**K-Line Announcement from Jerry Calabrese**

04/25/2006

I must confess that I so enjoyed the speculation and armchair lawyering about the future of K-Line that I almost hate bringing it to an end. But, as one of my former mothers-in-law used to say, "Appoint a day and it will come." After a lot of legal wrangling, the K-Line transaction has finally been concluded. As of last week, right before York, Lionel took control of all K-Line assets, including its inventory, intellectual property, tooling, and trademarks.

Lionel's deal is with Sanda Kan, K-Line's principal manufacturer and creditor, who, in turn, worked out its own deal with K-Line's bankers before we could move forward. Under the terms of our arrangement, Lionel will control and run the K-Line brand, in all respects, and will have the exclusive right to buy it outright sometime in the near future.

Our first step was to take possession of the existing K-Line inventory and move it from its former headquarters in North Carolina. As of today, that's just about done. Our next challenge is to sort through K-Line's books and records to make sure that everyone who pre-paid for products receives them. This will take some time, as most of what's owed to individuals and clubs is not in existing inventory and will have to be manufactured.

As I've said before, Lionel is committed to making good on unfulfilled orders. I anticipate that it will take us at least 60 days to sort out what is owed to whom. During that time, I cannot stress strongly enough how much we will need your patience and cooperation. As hard as it may be to control the urge to call us throughout this transition, I would really appreciate it if you will give us a couple of months to figure things out.

One bit of good news is that we've already managed to get most of the trains that had been stuck in K-Line's repair department during its bankruptcy fixed and shipped back to their owners.

Once the smoke clears, we plan to re-launch K-Line later this year, in our second catalogue. Because getting the deal done took so long, there will be only a limited line of new products in 2006. But we plan to make them very special. Next year, in 2007, we plan to make K-Line a larger part of the Lionel product line, positioning it with our own Lion Master offerings, in our ongoing effort to offer you even more quality mid-priced choices.

Finally, I'd just like to say thanks to all of the people who worked so long and hard to get this deal done.  
Best Regards, Jerry Calabrese



**Plan now to attend the 2006 TTOS CONVENTION**

**August 14-20, 2006  
COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA**

**More Details Coming Soon**



# TTOS Canadian Division APRIL MEETING



Counter clockwise from upper left.  
Gary Zabenskie & Tom Modica talk  
trains. Bill Stephenson always has a  
good time.  
Maybe it's the food... enjoyed by all...  
Martha Pernice, Patricia Shaw and Nel



Sarasin enjoy  
Patricia's puppy.  
Frank Teoli cele-  
brated his 80th  
birthday recently.  
John Constible and  
Fred Webb ... what  
were you guys  
thinking?



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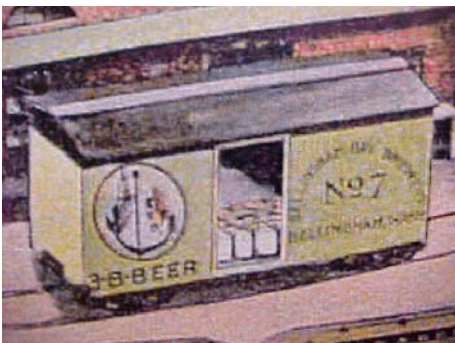
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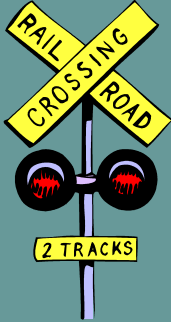


*Photos this page taken by Ed Stephens at the May 7th Bellingham TTOS Meeting.*



*Our club was well represented and even gave away one of our coveted BC Rail Caboose' as a door prize.*





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## EVENTS

**Saturday, June 24, 2006**

**MERRIT MODEL RAILROAD CLUB  
PRESENTS**

**'G' SCALE LIBRARY PROJECT GRAND OPENING  
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The Merritt Model Rail Club invites you to join us to drive the "last Spike" on our "G" scale Model Train Display, featuring the "sights & sounds" of the Canadian aPacific Rail Line as it served Merritt and the Nicola Valley from 1912 until 1989.

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Swap Meet,**

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**Sunday May 28 2006**  
**The Victoria Toy Show**  
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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