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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hello everyone, Summer is almost here! It may have actually started some weeks ago at our first Spring BBQ of the Season! Here in the Vancouver area we've been enjoying some very warm and Sunny Spring days throughout June.

Our May meet was made extra special by the generous donation of many trains from the collection of Peter Tofield, to the CTTA Treasury Auction. On behalf of the Club - and especially the Treasurer - a huge thanks to Peter!

Thanks again to our American friends who came up from WA state to our May meet, and to Jim Barrett who hosted a layout tour and visit afterwards. Jim was happy to show and run some of his fabulous prewar and tinplate trains to the delight of us all.

The warmer weather also gave me the opportunity to visit my Coquitlam neighbour Ed Santor, who has a unique layout in a backyard trailer! We ran some postwar and more modern trains. It's great to see other layouts and the clever ways we all apply to running trains wherever and whenever we can!

As Summer arrives, CTTA will once again be spending 3 weeks with our friends at the Burnaby Central Railway, operating Thomas, pre-war, post war and modern trains on our 5-track Modular Layout at Rainbow Creek Station July 12-13, 19-20 and 26-27. I encourage all local members to come on out and enjoy their trains and ours, both inside and out! Gordon Hall will be running more O gauge trains in the Garden. We'll need operating crews and there's never a better time all year to bring your trains to run, or help run ours!

Atlas O has produced a great catalog, with lots of new modern diesel power in Canadian roads, featuring import tariff pricing. On a sad note, we lost our dear friend Robin Dodson in Ontario, who brought so much knowledge and love of trains to our club.

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## 2024-25 CANADIAN CLUB MEETS

meetings at Charles Rummel Community Centre, Burnaby  
doors open at 11am UPCOMING DATES:

SUNDAY JUNE 29 2025

SUNDAY SEPT 28 2025 AGM

SUNDAY OCT 26, 2025



The Canadian Flyer Rider Car

A combination toy and rider car, in long toy to toy roomer who looks ten times the size on Christmas morning. Engine and tender made of heavy gauge steel, for strength and long life in spite of heavy playtime duty. Rubber bumpers on front and back, that absorb shocks. Four wheels for smooth-riding stability. Steering handle with ball attached controls the front wheels. Length about 24 1/2 ins., width 6 ins. Best not, strong enough to hold a child safely and comfortably, as 9 inches from the floor.

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May  
Door  
Prize  
Winners





A  
very  
classy  
trunk  
full  
of  
trains!

[as seen at  
the May  
meeting]



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This will be the last Canadian Flyer Newsletter before our July - August Summer meeting break, so I hope to see you at the June meet and in Burnaby in July! We'll keep the grill fired up for our Sept AGM and October meets.

Cheers and choo choo's - Kyle

Dan Gory fills the cab and puts the lid on his creation of a CN GMD1



Al Kielek (aka Alberts Trains) has finished a full CPKC paint scheme update for an unnamed 'Railway CEO'.



**EVENTS:**

July 12-13, 19-20, 26-27, Burnaby BC  
**CTTA modular layout at Burnaby Central Railway**  
 hosted by BCSME, Info: [bcsme.org](http://bcsme.org)

Aug 23 & 24, St. Constant (Montreal)  
**A GREAT PASSION FOR MODEL TRAINS**  
 ExpoRail, The Canadian Railway Museum  
 Info: [www.exporail.org](http://www.exporail.org)

Sept 13 & 14, Edmonton AB  
**GREATER EDMONTON MODEL TRAIN SHOW**  
 Info: [www.mmrf.ab.ca](http://www.mmrf.ab.ca)

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from Eaton's 1946 catalog

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TrainShows.net is your complete guide to finding upcoming model train sho...

**Charles Reif** set out to convert an old Lionel General chassis into an early 4-4-0 based on the photo at left. The greatest fun was searching the local recycling bins for preformed plastic components. A very far cry from 3-D printing what you need.



**AUGUST  
 23 & 24,  
 2025**

**RAILWAY MUSEUM, RIDES,  
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Among the current Atlas offerings, some Canadian Content. Thanks **Mark Horne**

## A VISIT WITH ED SANTOR

TEXT &amp; PHOTOS BY KYLE MILLER



CHECKING OUT ED'S 'LAYOUT IN A TRAILER' IN COQUITLAM, BC.



OF COURSE WE RAN THE TRAINS!





Don McKay

Top contributor · 6d ·

Thanks **Don McKay** for this. ...

Different



Brad Sleeman

6d ·

A rare sight something I've never seen in my 43 years. Spotted a locomotive getting it's wheels repaired at the train yard while I was out grocery shopping. Williams Lake BC

A PREWAR LIONEL CANADIAN PACIFIC LOCO?  
recently at auction in the USA, a circa 1915-16  
Lionel 706 marked C.P.R.



Catalogued 706's are all marked NYC. Did Lionel do the CPR lettering? Buyers thought so: it sold for over \$2,000.

3-D printed O ga. kits on the market. Example:



Made by FLRailroaddog

Here is a completed and ready to assemble 3D PRINTED KIT of a 36' Wood Sided Postal Car.



Vintage railway stations, Round houses, Locomotives, coaches, cabooses of Canada  
David Muma · 2d ·

Timely progress



some early Canadian freight cars for the modeller



Dylan Bohaychuk

May 17 at 1:38 PM ·

thanks **Dylan Bohaychuk**. ...

Saturday Running session at Edmonton Train Collectors Association. Bit of royalty on the layout! New to me, so needs to be taken in for some touch ups and a board replacement



Love to see more pictures of the layout too.