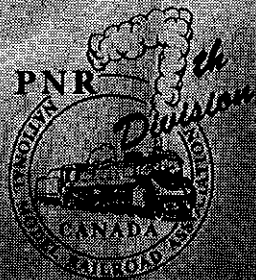
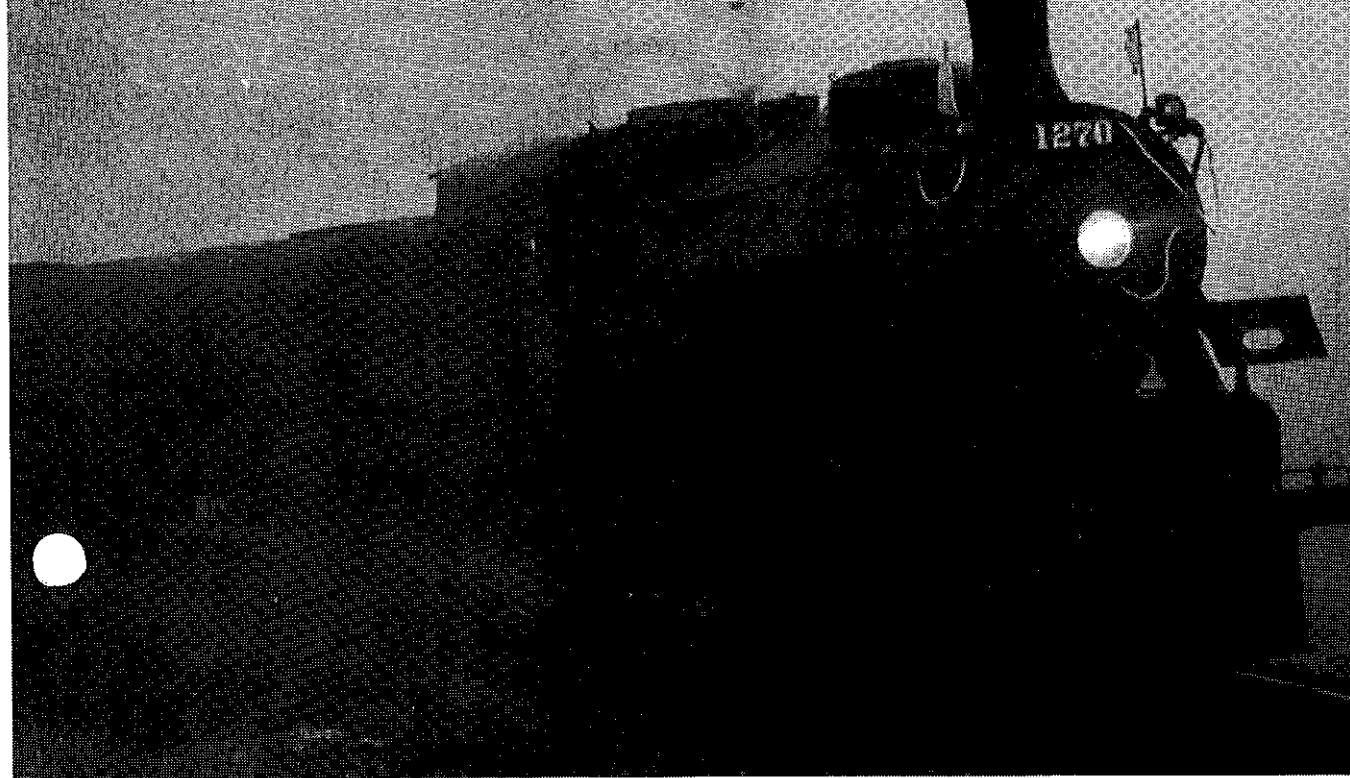


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On The Cover and Inside

by John Zuk

Out of Morning Mist is C.P.R. #1270, a G5c Pacific locomotive built in 1947 shown here in full steam in October 1960 near Vimy Quebec. This superb photograph by Dave Nickerson won first prize in the black and white print category in the photo contest at our recent Trains 93 PNR convention. This issue a retrospective look at Trains 93 and includes contest results and photographs of some of the winners and models.

As you will read in the Superintendent's Report there are some concerns as to how the division will be run in the future, since some of the current members are "retiring". So if you are interested in becoming involved with how things are run—in regards to any aspect or activity of the division, please give Dick a call.

There were some printing problems with the first 1994 issue of the Switchlist, therefore it won't be included until the next issue of the Bulletin Board. However all important PNR event dates in the issue are included in our Timetable insert, along with the W.C.R.A.'s 1994 events schedule.

If you like the cover of this issue, I will be glad to put your photograph on it. You just have to send me an 8" by 10" print, in colour or preferably black and white in a vertical format. Other sizes, formats, colour prints or slides will work, but we may have to use them elsewhere in the issue. All photographs will be returned intact. This is *your* newsletter, so please send in those photographs, and articles!

The next issue is planned for March, and will include, the Interior Report and an article on last years Gold Spike Award winner—Gordon Varney.

Superintendent's Report

by Dick Sutcliffe

I am making my first attempt at communicating with the general membership since taking over from Tom Beaton. I am sure you will all join me in thanking Tom for the amount of time and effort he has put in over the years as a member of the standing committee and as an executive member.

Over the last five years or so we have experienced a dramatic upsurge in the organized railway activity and participation in the Seventh Division. We have added to the active group in the lower mainland, another in the Okanagan, one in the mid-island area, one in the Kootenays, and one forming in the Prince George/Terrace area. These groups have all presented activities for the division. The result is we have a healthy division activity wise and financially.

The focus of the standing committee has been twofold: co-ordinating activities for dates, insurance, and some publicity, and secondly raising public awareness of the hobby through the *Trains* shows and monthly workshops in the lower mainland. This effort has required monthly meetings and often two meetings per month as we neared the *Trains* show. This has been a real drain on the hobby time of the standing committee members, and some "burnout" is starting to show. Several of the committee members have started to examine the function of the standing committee and feel we should decentralize some of the division responsibilities, as we have done with the membership to Gary Hazell and the video library to Tony Van Bergen. We could then have the committee focus on divisional functions, and the lower mainland activities could be handled by a group similar to the way other areas do.

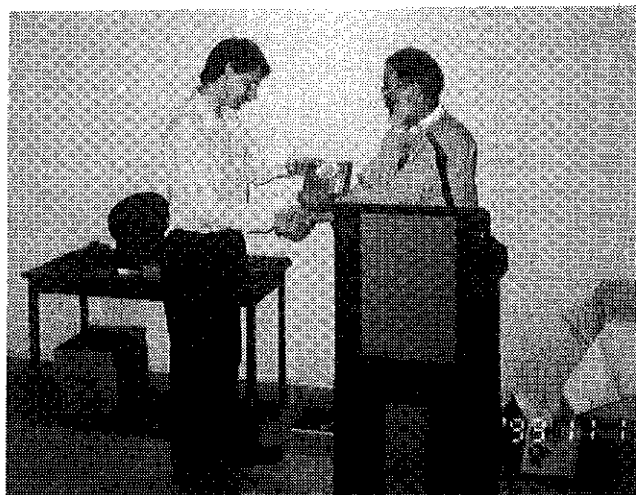
This was discussed at the *Trains* 93 breakfast meeting. The response of those present was favourable, so at the December 6th standing committee meeting we voted to set up a sub-committee to develop a plan that would be presented to the membership on the next ballot. We would like representation on this sub-committee from all areas of the division. Some names have been suggested to me, and I will be contacting them shortly, but I am open to other nominations and volunteers. I am pleased with the amount of open discussion

there has been so far, and look forward to your thought and ideas over the next couple of months.

The *Trains* 93 convention and public show seemed to go well as those attending said they had a good time. Special thanks to John Green for the organization of the layout tours. The rest of the *Trains* committee deserve a lot of credit for putting the show together.

Well I'll close here, hoping you all take advantage of the long evenings to get that special modelling project done.

PNR Person of the Year



Trains 93 Co-ordinator Scott Calvert (left) receives the PNR Person of the Year Award from superintendent Dick Sutcliffe at the *Trains* 93 Awards Banquet. In 1992 Scott was awarded the 7th Division Gold Spike Award for his efforts during the last few years in organizing the *Trains* shows. The success of these shows has resulted in the healthy financial status of the division. In 1993, his contributions were acknowledged by the PNR at the regional level.

Trains 93 Report

by Scott Calvert

Well, it was another great convention! *Trains* 93 emulated its predecessors and was a very successful meet. Being a Regional Convention, it drew from a much broader geographic area, and we had attendees from all over the Pacific Northwest and farther. Four modelers were from Switzerland.

As *Trains*' meets go, this was the largest and offered the greatest diversity of activities for the participants to enjoy. There was an excellent series of home layout tours, many topical clinic presentations, numerous videos, prototype tours, contests, a banquet and the ever busy huge display hall. But most of all it provided an environment to renew old acquaintances, meet some new friends and enjoy the camaraderie of socializing with others who share the hobby.

The continued success of the annual Trains' meets is a direct result of the tremendous effort invested in the shows by so many people—too numerous to mention. Give yourselves a pat on the back. You deserve it!

Special thanks must go to Brain Kelly who presented a very entertaining after dinner video presentation on the BC Transit (B.C. Electric) system in the early years. Also our heartiest appreciation to the many volunteers who sacrificed their personal time at the meet to provide the committee with some much needed assistance throughout the weekend.

The local retailers overwhelmed us again this year with their outstanding generosity, and donated a record number of door prizes and gifts. BC Rail also kindly provided us with a return trip for two which was awarded at the public show. Although the public show numbers were down this year, everyone had a good time and the show was still a great success.

As many of you are aware, Trains 93 was the last show I will be acting as co-ordinator for, and I wanted to take this opportunity to extend my heartiest thanks to the countless people I have met during the various meets for the support and dedication you have all contributed to the show. I will remain active in the division in a less demanding role, and I look forward to having some more time to work on my layout and models.

"Best wishes to you all for continued health and happiness in 1994"



Nor-Wes Club members Bill Vessio (left) and Al Lill are standing behind Bill's display of replicas of Fine Scale Miniatures structures that he has scratchbuilt. Bill's superb modelling skills earned him two A.P. awards in the structures category at the show.

The model below, of an abandoned mill, was voted favourite model in the structures category in the popular vote contest.

Al Lill, the CN SIG Newsletter's varnish editor, presented a clinic and slide show on modelling the CNR in the 1950s.



Trains 93 Contest Results

by Gordon Varney, MMR
Model Contest Chairman

There were 18 models entered in the model contest at the convention. The models were above average in construction with some exquisite examples. There were two outstanding models: first, Doug Hole's H.O. scale grain elevator which earned an incredible 120 out of 125 points,

and Dave Love's H.O. scale D.W.C. bulkhead flatcar which earned 112 points. Doug's grain elevator took first place in the structure category and also the best in show category, while Dave's model was first in the freight car category. Dave's flatcar description said the model was scratchbuilt, and four very experienced PNR judges pondered for a good ten minutes to decide that it wasn't a commercially built car. It is one of the finest scratchbuilt mod-

els I have seen. As for the Achievement Program, master awards for the authors category were presented by A.P. chairman MMR Jim Whaley to Patrick Lawson of Sooke, Russ Watson of Victoria, and Mike Barone of Fruitvale. All the merit awards earned exceptional marks. The contest results are listed in the table below.

I would like to thank all who entered the contest and my sincere congratulations to the winners.

Diesel Category:

1st	Patrick Lawson, Sooke, B.C.	HO CP Rail SD-40-2 #6034
2nd	Patrick Lawson	HO CP Rail SD-40-2 #5981
3rd	Mike Barone, Fruitvale, B.C.	HO Spokane International RS-1 #209

Freight Cars:

1st	Dave Love, N. Vancouver, B.C.	HO DWC bulkhead flatcar
2nd	Rene Gourley, Burnaby, B.C.	HO Grand Trunk boxcar
3rd	Mike Barone	HO CN covered hopper

Structures:

1st	Doug Hole, Sorrento, B.C.	HO grain elevator
2nd	Russ Watson, Victoria, B.C.	N scale hopper unloader facility
3rd	Patrick Lawson	HO Point Ellis car ferry dock

Merit Awards:

Dave Love	Cars	HO DWC bulkhead flatcar	112 points
Rene Gourley	Cars	HO Grand Trunk box car	101 points
Doug Hole	Structures	HO grain elevator	120 points
Bill Vessio, N. Vancouver, B.C.	Structures	HO Machinery Wholesale	111 points
Bill Vessio	Structures	HO Abandoned Mill	108 points
Russ Watson	Structures	N scale hopper unloading facility	105 points
Patrick Lawson	Structures	HO CNR Point Ellis car ferry dock	91 pts

Popular Vote Contest:

Diorama	HO grain elevator	Doug Hole
Structure	HO retail fuel facility	Bill Vessio
Module	N scale module city	Gary Walker, Victoria, B.C.
Train	HO CPR passenger train	Scott Calvert, Coquitlam, B.C.
Rolling Stock	HO Grand Trunk boxcar	Rene Gourley
Locomotive	G scale brass DB steam locomotive....	Werner Grundmann, Langley, B.C.
Layout	S.A.M.R.A modular layout	modellers from Salmon Arm
Photograph	CPR Eastbound at Yale	Doug McDonald

Photo Contest:

Prototype Black & White print:

1st	Dave Nickerson, N. Vancouver, B.C.	<i>Out Of Morning Mist (on cover)</i>
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Prototype Colour Print:

1st	Jim Whaley, MMR, Portland, Oregon	<i>Royal Hudson - State Side</i>
2nd	Dave Nickerson	<i>Sunset at Sarcee Yard</i>
3rd	Cliff Basler, Burnaby, B.C.	<i>The Long Wait</i>

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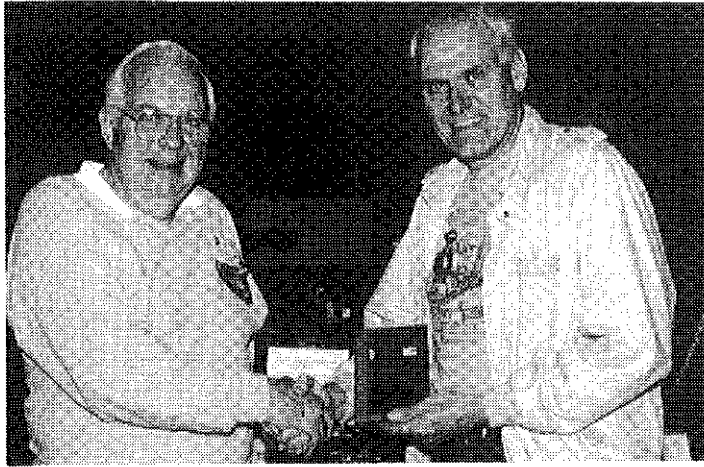
1st	Al Lill, N. Vancouver, B.C.	<i>Cowichan Forest Museum</i>
2nd	Dave Nickerson	<i>D.&R.G.W. Coal Train</i>
3rd	Dave Nickerson	<i>Western Pacific E Units</i>
HM	Dave Nickerson	<i>BN Unit Grain Train</i>
HM	Al Lill	<i>Waterfront Vancouver</i>

Model Colour Print:

1st	Vies Szalanski, Surrey, B.C.	<i>Switching Richardson - Also voted Best in Show</i>
2nd	Patrick Lawson	<i>CP Rail 3079</i>
3rd	Vies Szalanski	<i>The 'Lion' at Richardson</i>

Model Slides:

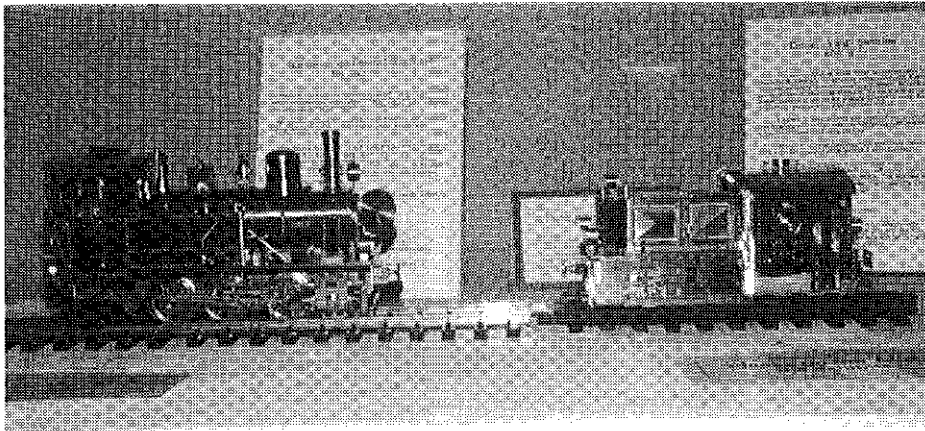
1st	Russ Watson	<i>Water Stop</i>
2nd	Russ Watson	<i>Homeward Bound</i>



Werner Grundmann (right), receives an award plaque from Gordon Varney for his model (below left) that was voted favourite locomotive in the popular vote contest.

Both models are L.G.B. (1/22½ scale) narrow gauge locomotives that are scratchbuilt from brass and sheet metal. All parts are machined including real scale rivets on both models.

The winning model was built using only two prototype photographs as a reference. It is an 0-6-0 German steam locomotive that was used in the 1920's and 30's on a narrow gauge line that runs in Germany to the North Sea. The line is still in use. The single prototype which is now on display on the island of Wangerooge, was built at the famous Henschel Locomotive Works.

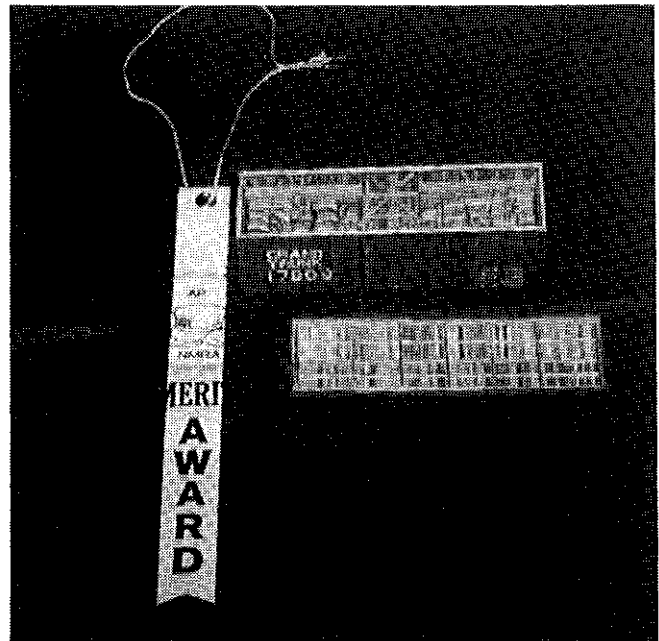


The model on the right is Werner's narrow gauge version of a standard gauge Kös II class diesel swither, some of which are in use today.

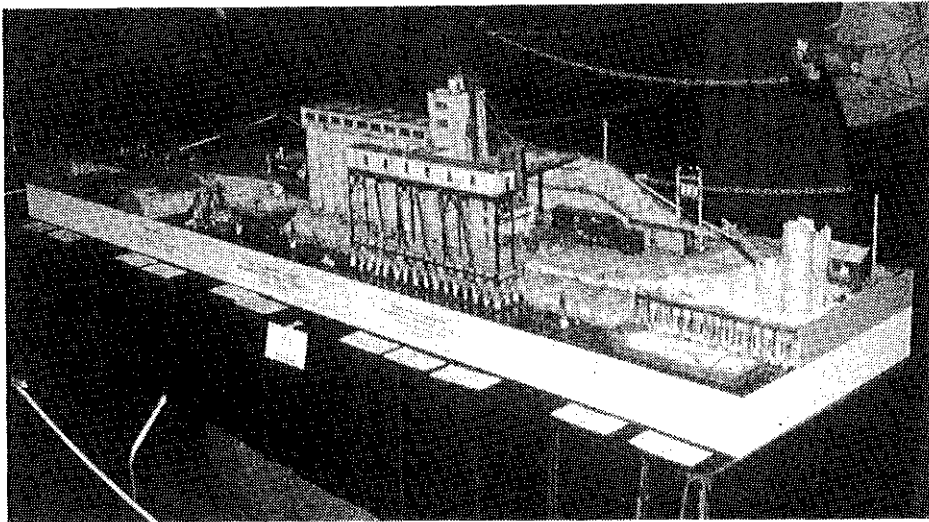
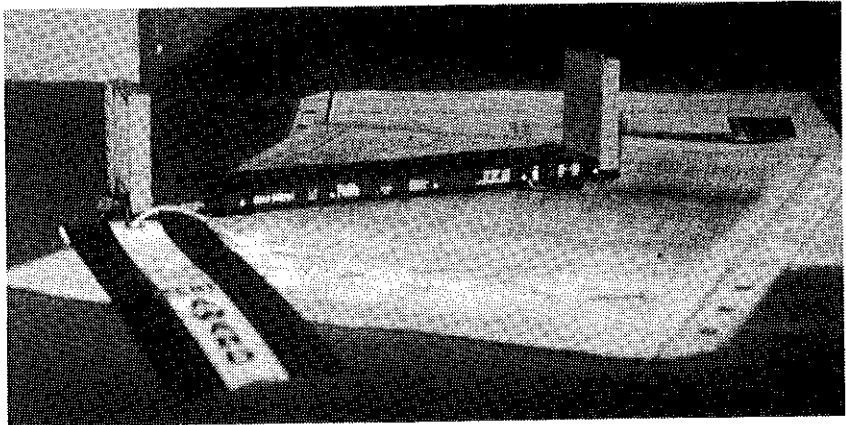
Both the narrow and the standard gauge lines are today part of the Deutsche Bundesbahn (German Federal Railways).

Rene Gourley's Grand Trunk bocar #17909 is scratchbuilt board by board and made from 50 real feet of scale lumber. The sacks inside are formed from a long "snake" of polyester fill, which is first snipped with diagonal cutters and then shaped.

Over 200 hours went into the construction of the car and the paint had barely dried when it was entered in the contest.



Dave Love's HO scale D.W.C. bulkhead flatcar is so detailed that it took the A.P. judges a while to decide that it wasn't a commercial craftsman kit. The model which earned 112 points in the car category is scratchbuilt in styrene and based on an old commercial kit.



Doug Hole has done it again, by winning both the diorama category in the popular vote contest and picking up an A.P. award for his work. This new model is a highly detailed HO scale grain elevator which earned 120 points in the A.P. judging.

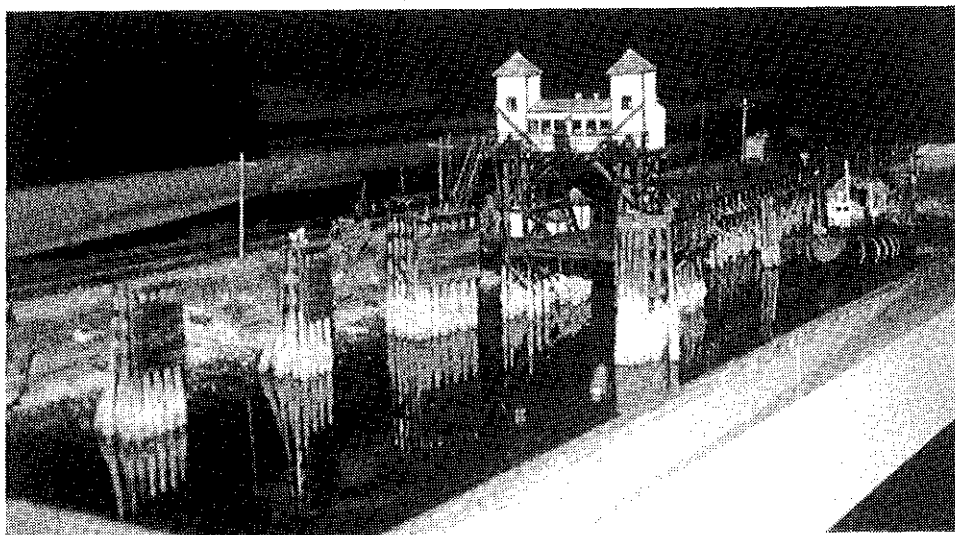
This is his third superb structure display model, along with his rail car ferry and ore docks.

Gary Walker is shown here behind his detailed N scale city skyscraper scene which won the module category in the popular vote contest. When you look inside the movie theatre, you can see a miniature movie playing thanks to Gary's ingenious use of miniature video technology.





Its thumbs up as Hugh Clarke, Dave Tomljenovich and Pat Lawson show their approval at last years Trains show. As well as presenting a clinic on how to get model railway articles published, Pat received a master award in the authors category for his many published articles. He also received a merit award for his HO scale model of the Point Ellis Car Ferry Dock shown below.



This is a superbly detailed structure based on a former prototype on Vancouver Island and includes many interesting details such as the large buildup of white barnacles on the wooden piers.

Dave Nickerson (left) has just renewed his membership in the PNR-NMRA with Brenda Watson and Mike Barone, as they look after membership services at Trains 93. Dave's photographs and slides did well in the photo contest and his black and white winning print appears on this issue's cover. As well as holding a clinic on airbrush painting and safety, Mike Barone, who has several articles appearing in Canadian Railway Modeller, also received a master award in the author's category.

