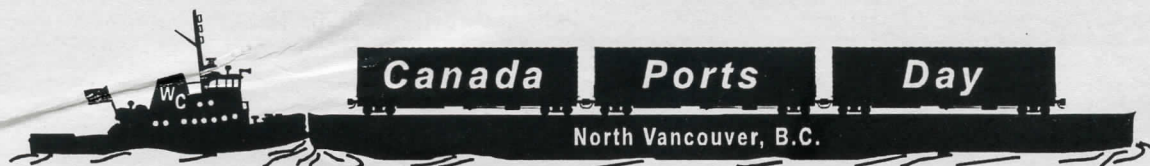


Seventh Division Bulletin Board



and Model Railway Display

Saturday May 6, 1995 - 10 am to 4 pm

B.C. Rail Building - 221 W. Esplanade St. in North Vancouver

- Operating N-Trak Layout•
- Displays of models in different scales•
- Videos of railway interest•
- Food Service•
- Family Entertainment•
- Port & Nautical Displays•
- B.C. Rail videos and safety display•
- Prototype displays in nearby park:
3716 'Port Coquitlam'
and display passenger car•

- Public Invited - Free Admission -

Still to Come This Year . . .

July:	PNR Convention
August:	Rail Show in the Park
September:	Victoria Model Railway Show
November:	Trains 95

See back page for details . . .

Superintendent's Report

by Dick Sutcliffe

As many of you know, the 7th Division is registered under the B.C. Societies Act. A society is required to hold an Annual General Meeting to hear reports of the officers, the results of any ballots the members have submitted for elections or changes in policy and a financial report. In the past, with the executive (directors) residing in the lower mainland, this meeting had been held as a brief get-together prior to the start of the Ports Day Show in May. In 1993, the AGM was overlooked, so it was held (with the permission of the administrator of the Societies Act) immediately prior to last year's AGM. The Act requires that 60 days notice be given to members of the place and time of the meeting. This issue of the BB will not provide the lead time for a May meeting. With our executive now dispersed, we also need to provide travelling time for the directors to attend. I suggest that we hold this year's AGM at 9:30 am on Sunday, August 20, 1995 in Squamish. This is after the usual May date but within the year permitted for the meeting. The 7th Division will be displaying at the W.C.R.A.'s *Rail Show in the Park*, so some of the members are sure to be there. It is a weekend in summer—good for travel, and is a rail activity we can support. (*See back page for more info on this event Ed.*) I will arrange that the meeting is held off of the park site, as there is a \$3.50 admission charge to the site and show. If I don't here to the contrary, I'll assume that these arrangements are acceptable.

The *Brio* and *Thomas* set of toy trains for the Children's Hospital have been ordered and are now available for presentation.

Our division has displayed at the Mount Pleasant Lions Show on February 19, N-CON 95 on February 25, Western Rails on March 12, The Interior Spring Meet in Kamloops on the Easter Weekend, and most recently the Mid-Island Spring Meet in Nanaimo. Does your group promote the NMRA at your public events.

The concerns I took to the midyear BOT meeting regarding the organization and administration of the unified dues program struck a sympathetic note with other division superintendents. Roger Ferris reported the NMRA is investing in a new computer system at headquarters that will permit the various departments to talk to one another, as well as let regions input membership information directly. This should clear up the monthly backlog of applications and renewals that build up each month at headquarters.

Did you note the changes to the Application-Renewal form dated *rev 03/95* that was included in the last issue of the BB? Please make sure you use this form when renewing or signing up new members. If possible use a credit card to pay (Discovery and Diner's Club are now accepted as well), as the U.S. banks have difficulty and are time consuming in processing Canadian cheques.

Send renewals to Robert Colley and new memberships to Gary Hazell. Also please destroy any outdated forms you may have or see.

I would like to welcome Mike Kocot of Nanaimo to the Standing Committee. Mike is working with Ken Rutherford and Rick Lord who put on the Mid-Island meet in Nanaimo.

Gary Hazell joined us for the March 8 tele-conference. We had phone calls from Ken Rutherford and Ted Alexis in Victoria before the meeting. Good to read Brian Freemantle's report on the Prince George group in the last BB and Rick Starchuk's article on the Skeena Valley club in the previous issue. What is happening in your area? Let us know!

North-Island Happenings

by Bill Van Bergen

On March 11 and 12, 1995 the North Island Model Railroaders hosted a 'Riding the Rails' at the museum at Campbell River. The show consisted of the club's 20 by 38 foot modular layout with the traditional crowd pleasing 60-plus car grain train and assorted freight, passenger and logging equipment.

A G scale layout was set up on the floor and at times it was totally encircled by children sitting, watching and listening to an LGB sound equipped *White Pass & Yukon* locomotive. Local historical logging railroad maps were available for viewing.

There was a display of live steam locomotives, custom painted G scale equipment and a kit-bashed 2-4-4-2 Bachman Big-Hauler.

An exhibit of N, HO, S, O, O27 and G scale box-cars were available for all to compare the various scales and the Kalmbach *Introduction to Model Railroading* handout was extremely popular.

The event was attended by almost 1000 people of all ages. The weekend was such a success that both the club and the museum are considering a repeat display.

Also, our caboose was featured in the February-March 1995 issue of *Canadian Railway Modeller*.

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On The Cover and Inside

by John Zuk

This is a small issue including the latest Switchlist, to keep you informed of upcoming events. We are having a busy year with the Kamloops Spring Meet reported to be a great success. The Nanaimo Spring Meet has just happened, and Canada Ports Day will be happening as you read this. The next issue will be larger and include reports and photographs of some of these events.

I am also working on an article which includes a list of railway related places to visit that are located within our division. If you have any brochures or information on any such locations, including restoration projects, museums, and old right-of-ways that are being developed for hiking and biking, please send it to me before the end of May. I will return the material to you if you request. It would be great to receive some photographs of these places or an article with photographs of your group's layout or restoration project so I can include them in the next issue.

If this issue includes your second pink slip, and you have already sent in your renewal, I may not have your membership expiry up to date on this mailing list, but should have for the next issue. Bob Colley is sending the membership updates and changes monthly now, and our mailing lists will improve in accuracy. Many of you have renewed your memberships recently, and we thank you for doing so using the enclosed renewal form.

7th Division Timetable

May 1995

Saturday, May 6 10 am to 4 pm	The Annual Canada Ports Day model & prototype railway display in the B.C. Rail Building at 221 W. Esplanade in N. Vancouver. If you would like to exhibit, or need more information, give Chuck Laws a call at 984-7507.
Friday to Monday June 30 to July 3	Prairie Express '95 - PNR Regional Convention at the Sands Hotel, Saskatoon, Sask. Clinics, tours, contests, awards and banquet. For information, contact Ron Adams, Registrar, Prairie Express '95, 438 Manning Lane, Saskatoon, Sask. S7L 6J8. Tel: (306) 683-0795.
Saturday, August 19 and Sunday, August 20 9 am to 4 pm both days	First Annual WCRA 'Rail Show in the Park'. At the West Coast Railway Heritage Park in Squamish. Models, collectibles, railroadiana, and much more. Sellers tables available. For information, call Glen in Squamish at (604) 898-8221 or Paul in Burnaby at (604) 420-1292. Regular Heritage Park admission of \$3.50 includes the show. The 7th Division is planning to display at this meet, and the AGM is tentatively set to be held on Sunday at 9:30 am. Call Dick Sutcliffe at 467-4301 for more information.
Sunday, September 24 10 am to 4 pm	Victoria Model Railway Show at the S.J. Willis Centre Gym, 923 Topaz Ave (off Quadra). Operating Modules and Portable layouts (Lionel, Live Steam, HO, N Scales). Commercial Sales & Displays, Swap tables, Popular Vote Contest, plus a raffle for two detailed locomotives. Contact Ted Alexis 595-4070, Mark Giles 652-4124, or Dave Tomljenovich 652-1894. More information will be in the next issue.
Sunday, November 12 9 am to 4 pm	Trains 95. Western Canada's Largest Model Railway Show at the Cameron Recreation Centre in Burnaby. For information contact Dick Sutcliffe at 467-4301 after 5 pm. More information will be in the next issue.

West Coast Railway Association Events and 1995 Excursions

For more information and prices of these trips, call the W.C.R.A. reservation booking line at 524-1011 or fax 522-1293. You may write the W.C.R.A. at Box 2790, Vancouver, B.C. V6B 3X2.

On going until October 10. Open 10 am to 4 pm daily	WCRA's West Coast Railway Heritage Park in Squamish. The 12 acre site displays Western Canada's largest collection of heritage railway locomotives and rolling stock. Most pieces are open for interior inspection; Park includes museum exhibits, vintage cars, visitor centre, gift shop, nature trail and picnic facilities. Great family fun. Turn west 2km north of McDonald's on highway 99. Watch for sign. Park is located near north end of B.C. Rail yard on Government Road. Call 898-3992 in Squamish or 522-1293 in the Vancouver area for more information.
Sundays: June 25, August 13 and September 24	Circle Island Tours. Daytrips on the E. & N. Leave Pacific Central Station at 7:40 a.m. by bus to Victoria. Take the VIA E&N Dayliner to Courtenay, and return to Nanaimo. Return by bus via Horseshoe Bay to Vancouver. Includes a meal at Courtenay.
Saturdays: July 15, October 28, and December 2	Spirit of Washington Lunch Train and Winery Tour. This most popular trip departs Pacific Central Station for bus ride to Seattle, then board the return trip 1950's era steamline train at Renton and enjoy a gourmet meal along the shores of Lake Washington. Tour the Ste. Michelle Winery at Woodinville, then spent a couple of hours shopping at the Seattle waterfront before returning to Vancouver.
Saturday, May 20 to Sunday, May 28 and Saturday, Sept 9 to Sunday, Sept 17	Early summer and Fall 9 day BC Rail System Tours. This is a trip of a lifetime as the chartered BCR dayliner travels the entire BC Rail system during the daylight hours, and hotel accomodation is provided each night. All transfers, meals and special entertainment is provided. Options of one way by train and one way by bus are offered where the bus trips travel a route that offer more places to visit. Call for a separate brochure.
Friday and Saturday, May 26 and 27	Spring Rail and Sail. Departs 8:00 am from Pacific Central Station where you travel by bus to Tsawwassen to board the Queen of the North for a one way cruise to Port Hardy on the northern tip of Vancouver Island. Stay overnight there, then return by bus through the Nimkish Valley and Campbell River to Courtenay, where you board the VIA E&N Dayliner and ride to Victoria. Depart Swartz Bay at 7:00 pm for return by ferry and bus to Vancouver.
Friday, May 26	AMTRAK to Seattle. Travel the inaugural trip to Seattle. Tetative date, time to be announced.
Saturday, June 10	Only in Lillooet Days. Depart at 7:00 a.m. from the BC Rail station in N. Vancouver and enjoy the spectacular sceney on the BCR dayliners to Lilloet and return. Enjoy the fun in the town's annual celebrations. Overnight options include dance, barbecue, casinos, and more. Period costumees are optional. Includes hot lunches and snacks aboard.
Tuesday to Thursday, September 26 to 28	Fall Rail and Sail. Depart early afternoon from Pacific Central Station where you travel by bus to Victoria and stay overnight. Next day travel on the E&N dayliner to Courtenay and then by bus to Port Hardy where you stay a second night. Depart on third day at 7:30 am for Tsawwassen on the Queen of Prince Rupert, and arrive back in Vancouver in the evening.
Friday, October 13 to Saturday, October 14	Cariboo Overnigher to Williams Lake. Travel return by private car as part of the BCR Cariboo Dayliner to Williams Lake and return the next day. Includes choices of overnight accomodation as well as most meals.

FOR SALE: PFM Sound Systems, complete with tape units, reverb, instruction manuals and a supply of RF taps. PFM Sound System II (all the bells and whistles plus built in throttle)...\$950. PFM Minisound I (good selection of sounds for adding to an existing throttle)...\$650. Contact Brian Pate at (604) 987-5903.