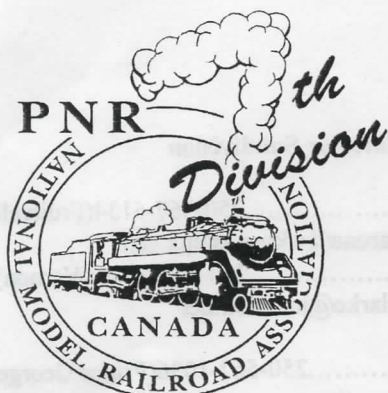




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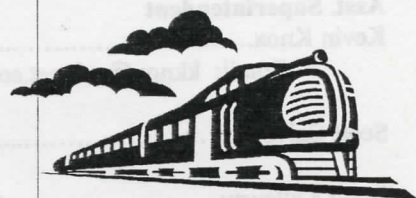
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**From Chuck Kuranko,
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I thank you and your Superintendent and members who do pay on time thank you.

Chuck

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SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

BY DICK SUTCLIFFE

We are looking to update the **Hobby Shop List** for the publicity department. Send me mailing information for new hobby shops, moved ones, and advise of closed ones too please. No response to this from last issues request! Help us keep in touch.

The proposed **Jack Work Memorial Trophy** criteria are being circulated to the Standing Committee, thanks for the input. We hope to make the first award this year. It is proposed those participating in the Achievement Program will be eligible for selection.

Tony Van Bergen, the Video Library Coordinator is now online, see the masthead for his address. This should make it easier to contact him. Are there some changes needed in the program? I didn't get any comments after the last issue.

NOTE THE MID-ISLAND MEET IS MARCH 22 not May 3.

Check the PNR Timetable, there are a number of events coming up in the Lower Mainland, let Malcolm know what is planned in your area.

ON TRACK the Spring Meet in Kelowna is getting close, April 10 & 11, remember advance registration helps the committee plan a better meet. There are rumours the **Kettle Valley Railway** will be steamed up. Registration form and details are in this issue, and in your favorite hobby shop.

Desert Rails, the PNR convention in the Tri-Cities area of Washington, has a web site with up to date information at www.televa.com/~burkes/desertrails. Advance registration helps the committee plan a better meet.

I'll be the first to admit the **Trains Fall Meet** banquet was not as well organised as it could have been. The misplaced materials for our after dinner speaker really threw me for a loop. (more hands sometimes make more work?) But I was really upset when **Malcolm Anderson** told me a few days after the last deadline he had been accused of "fixing" the draws, by someone at the end of the evening, and a few days later in an anonymous phone message. Malcolm has put in a great deal of effort for the division, and for anyone to make this type of **FALSE and UN-INFORMED** accusation is way out of line. Those that are aware of this have shown Malcolm a tremendous round of support. I would hope, in future, anyone with concerns would approach the executive and discuss them, rather than taking a backdoor approach, and upsetting one of our hardworking volunteers. Enuff said?

See you at the meets and shows.

THE EDITORS DESK

BY MALCOLM ANDERSON

Well the flowers are starting to come up and I find myself in a different world. Some of you may know that our lives were turned upside down when our landlord announced he was selling our/his house. You will likely have to move!

My layout! My modules! My shelves all decked out with trains! My work bench! Aaaaaahhhhhh!!! Oh, and Donna's stuff too.

Well, after much searching of land and soul, Donna and I have decided to leave the area and move to the Interior. Namely, Lake Country. Somewhere between Vernon and Kelowna. I say somewhere because as of this writing, we will be bunking with friends until we can find jobs and a new home. So for the next while it will be a little hard to reach me as the Email will be off and I can't print a new phone number yet. But don't worry, the BB will still be out on time.

Sincerely,

Malcolm Anderson

A letter to the Editor

Dear Malcolm,

I was quite disturbed after reading the second half of your "The Editor's Desk" in the Jan '98 "Bulletin Board." It's difficult for me to believe that we have people within our ranks, that would stoop so low as to question you and your wife's integrity, over such a trivial issue as the winning of a door prize.

We have all moaned and groaned and alleged "fix" at events we have attended when a committee member has won a door prize. Surely this reaction is all in the interest of camaraderie and good fun. Ironically, it is the committee members who deserve to win a prize! They are the ones who donate their time and efforts so that the rest of us can sit back and enjoy the show.

I want to think that you misread the allegations of the "fix." However, based on your actions, it is clear that you felt that the allegations were not a joking matter.

In any event, I want to express my support to you and thank you for your work at Trains '97 and also with the Bulletin Board. Your efforts and enthusiasm would not be matched by many of us and they deserve recognition. I am confident that the vast majority of the 7th Division membership share my opinions and I encourage each member to pass their support and gratitude on to you.

Best of luck in the next door prize draw!

Yours Truly,
Russ Watson
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* N scale model railroader of the CNR
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CLUB AND SOCIETY NEWS

BY MALCOLM ANDERSON

Gathering Steam, The newsletter of the 2141 Steam Restoration Society, reports that things are progressing well with the locomotive restoration. With 130 members strong, it shouldn't be too long before we will see a new steam loco running on local rails! There is always a need for money though as it can't be cheap to replace boiler tubes, a tender frame and new tires for the drivers. The Loco has been in the shop for two years now and they are starting to put her together now with a totally refurbished sand dome on the boiler. The front truck and equalizer bar will soon be in place. They figure they will need \$150,000 over the next few years in order to complete the project. Kamloops City is helping out as well as other fund raising efforts but it's really down to us if we want to see steam on the rails again. If you are interested in joining or just helping out, contact Phil Strange 2462 Parkview Dr., Kamloops, B.C. V2B 7J1 250 579- 9834.

A while back, I published a photo of the newly aquired passenger car of the **Skeena Valley Model Railroad Assoc.** It seems the members of the Club have been hard at work stripping out the interior of the car to make way for a most unusual club house. The car is on a siding in the CN Rails Terrace yard so power, water, sewer and telephone are not an option. Ingeniously, they have installed solar panels on the roof and with batteries and an inverter. They have AC power! Propane gas heater keeps the frost away and a coat of paint makes it a nice home for a layout! With a length of 62 feet available, there is room for 170 ft of mainline! Track plan planning must be an adventure in itself. With only seven active members, they seem to be doing a great job and they should serve as inspiration for us all. I have been in club meetings where the decision over a track switch would take a whole meeting!

If your club or society has any information they would like to share or has an important show date, drop me a line and I will gladly include it in the BB.

This is an easy way to let the membership know about you and also create interest that might benefit you as well.

My contact address is in the Masthead in the next column.

I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Malcolm

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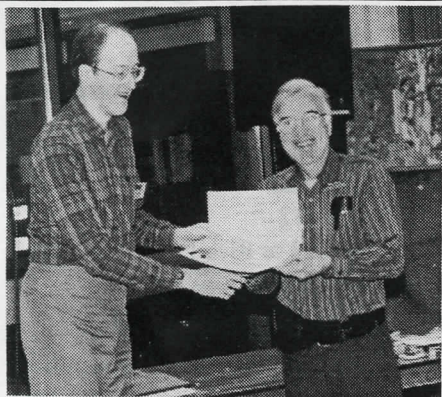
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And Jackie Hole receives her prize for her 6X6 Tropical Terrain diorama from Malcolm Anderson.

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7TH DIV. TIMETABLE

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR REGION

Western Rails Railroadiana Show

Location: Cameron rec. centre
9523 Cameron Street, Burnaby B.C.
Date: March 15th 9am to 4pm
Admission: Adults \$2. Family \$5. under six free
Seniors/student \$1.
Info: Phone 604-420-1292
or email proy@direct.ca

Okanagan Spring Meet "On Track"

Location: Ramada Lodge Hotel
2171 Highway 97 north
Kelowna B.C.
Date: April 10th and 11th 1998
Registration: Adults \$40. (early registration)
Info: John M. Schlosser Chmn.
250-763-7427 Bus. 250-764-7007 res.
250-763-3244 fax email: canwest@netshop.net

**Don't miss these dates from the
Switchlist**

PORTLAND, OR
SATURDAY, MARCH 14TH
20TH ANNUAL RAILROADIANA MODEL RAILROAD SWAPMEET
sponsored by Columbia Gorge Model RR Club & Pacific Northwest Chapter-
NRHS. Time 10AM-4PM.
Cost: 1st table \$14, each additional \$11. Make cheques payable to CGMRC,
Inc. Location: Pay-N-Pack Antique Collectors Market, 8900 N. Vancouver
Ave. (Delta Park).
Info: Doug Auburg, c/o CGMRC, 2505 N. Vancouver Ave., Portland, Or.,
97227 Ph. 503-288-7246 anytime (lv. msg.) or 360-694-7769 e-mail
dauburg@vintaead.com.

TACOMA, WA
SATURDAY & SUNDAY, APRIL 4TH-5TH
4TH DIVISION SPRING "RESERVATION JUNCTION" MEET at
Tacoma's La Quinn Inn, I-5 & Portland Ave. Time: Sat. 9AM-9PM, Sun.
12PM-5PM. Clinics, model contests, Awards banquet, train watching & tours.
Registration \$5, banquet \$15.
Info: Bob Chapman 253-974-5605.

CLACKAMAS, OR
SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH
WILLAMETTE MODEL RR CLUB ANNUAL SWAP MEET at National
Guard Armory, Camp Withycomb.
Time: 10AM-3PM.
Info: Rick Andrews 503-642-3298.

Vancouver Island Spring Meet

Date: March 22, 1998
Time: 10am to 4 pm
Location: Beban Rec Center 2300 Bowen Rd. Nanaimo
Admission: \$6 family
\$3 Adult (non NMRA)
\$2 NMRA member
\$1 Children 6 - 12

Info: Ken Rutherford 724-4698 or Rick Lord 724- 4205 or
Mike Kocot 758-3543 (work 756-9441)

PNR Desert Rails June 24-28

*Registration form and timetable of events in this months
Switchlist.*

NMRA Heartland Express Conv.

July 20th-26th

Mount Cheam Lions Club presents: British Columbia's newest Model Railway Show

Date: Saturday and Sunday, September 12 & 13 '98
Time: 9: am to 4:pm
Location: Mount Cheam Lion's Riding Club Hall
45580 Spandina Avenue, Chilliwack, B.C.
Admission: Adults \$3. Seniors / Students \$2.
Family \$6. under 10 free with adult
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Victoria Show Sept. 27th

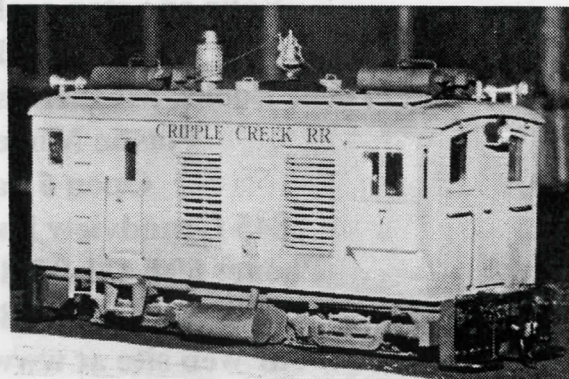
Watch for futher details

Lynden Lions Oct. 3-4

Lynden Wash. fairgrounds

Trains 98 Nov. 7th to 8th

Cameron Rec Centre, Burnaby



John Clifford's On30 Diesel Locomotive on the
contest table at Trains 97.