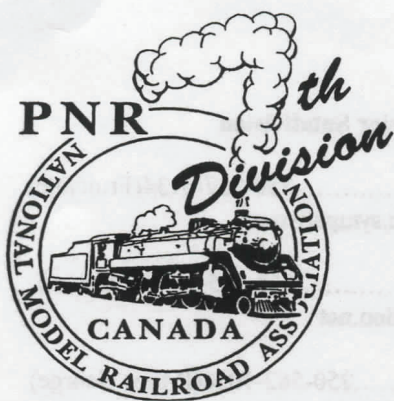




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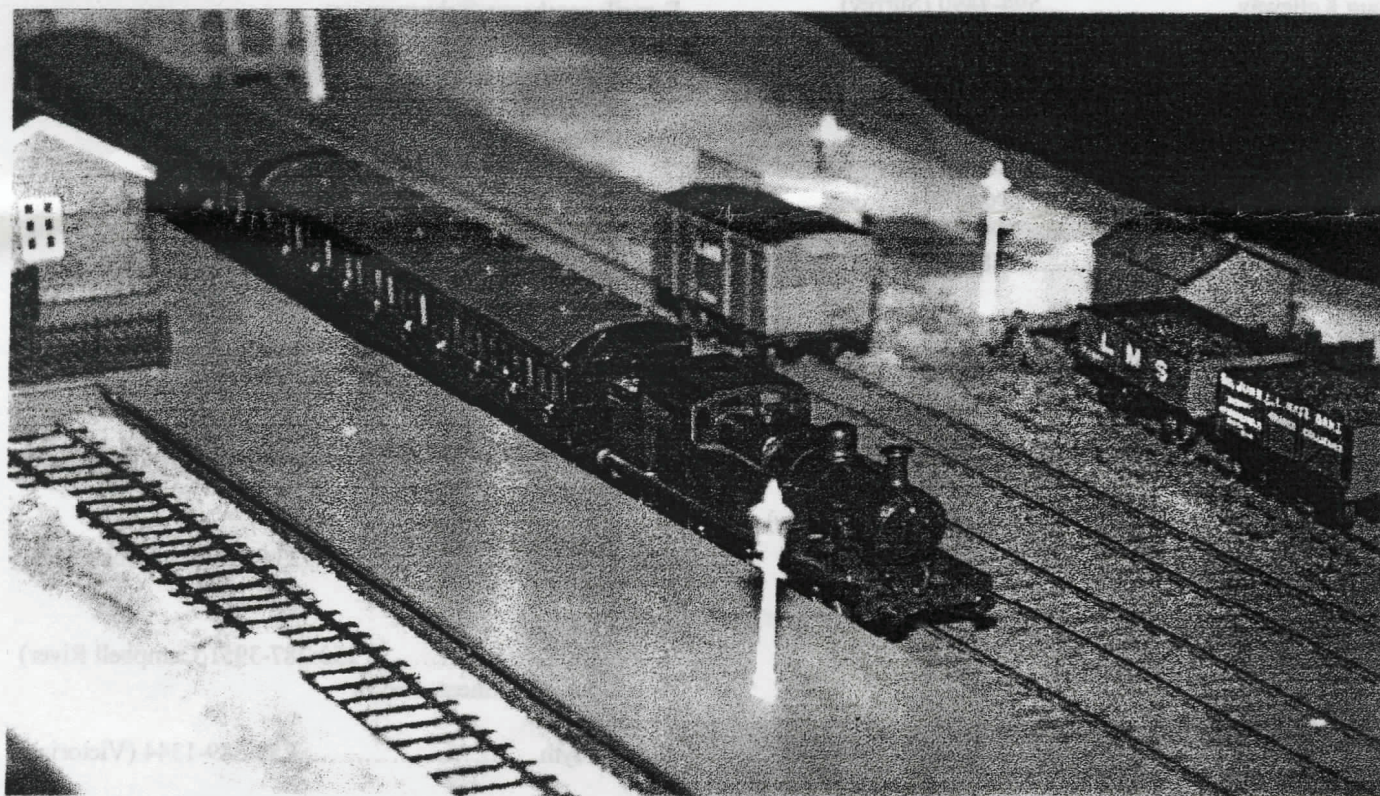
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Doug Hole and Patrick Lawson Achieve MMR Status !! *see page 8*



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See John Moore's British switching layout in operation at Trains 98. This scene taken at last years show, lets you see the detail possible in HO finescale railroading.
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SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

BY DICK SUTCLIFFE

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THE EDITORS DESK

BY MALCOLM ANDERSON

Check the **PNR Timetable**, there are a number of events identified in the Lower Mainland. How about letting **Malcolm** know about the railway activities planned in your area of the division.

I was in **Kennewick at the Desert Rails convention**. It was well done with lots of activities, prototype and model to keep us all occupied. For me, there was a long meeting of the Board of Directors (BOD). We decided to return the circulation of the Switchlist to the format used before it was combined with the division newsletters (whew). In our division it had been working fairly well, but others do not have a regular newsletter. With us some of the Switchlist items were late due to our publication cycle not matching the Switchlist, The BB, 6 times per year- Switchlist 4 times per year. The Switchlist will now be mailed directly to all PNR members. **Malcolm** has offered to help **Paul Crozier-Smith** with the editing. There is room for a helper or two to address and mail the Canadian members' copies. We also discussed circulation to those members on-line electronically, this is being investigated. To keep the other divisions informed about activities in the rest of the region there is a need for a reporter for each region, (it doesn't need to be the **Superintendent!**) - Volunteers? The **PNR election deadlines** were accidentally overlooked and have been pushed back so the ballot will be in the Sept. issue of the Switchlist. I have asked the **Standing Committee** to submit nominations to the nominating chairman. We approved the abolition of the **PNR library**, since it was not getting much call, and dispose of the assets as follows: send a list of all material to the **NMRA Kalmbach Memorial Library**, let them identify what they want; make a list of the rest of the material available to the **PNR membership**, with the proceeds of the sale of the items going to the PNR coffers. **Roger Ferris** has acquired some plan cabinets, with low cost transportation, to store the drawings in at KML. Nominations are needed for **PNR member of the year**. These are now to be submitted to **Roger Ferris**, not **Gail Norton**, and are kept on file for 5 years, so when the urge moves you, do it.

The **PNR foreign division** has been disbanded, with the members being assigned to the division they joined through, or the division of their choice. If you know anyone in the 8th you could pass this on, although It will be in the Switchlist as well. The year **2000 PNR convention will be in Boise, June 21-25**. **Nona** has been assigned for 1999 at present.

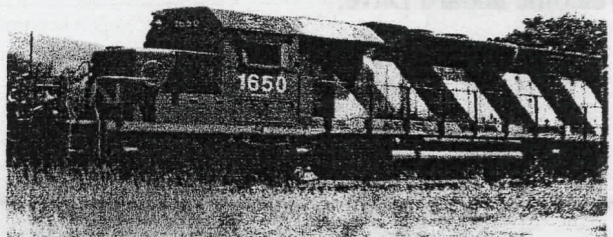
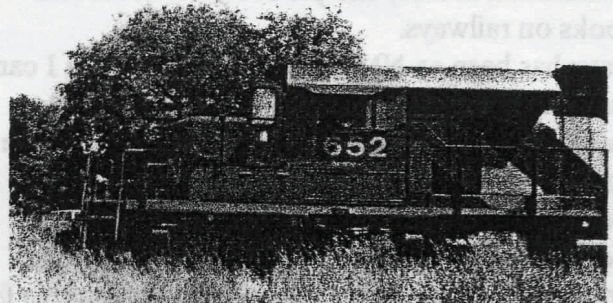
Those of you planning to bring a display to **TRAINS 98** should have your applications in. See the articles elsewhere in this issue. *Con't on page 4*

Well I hope that everyone had a great summer! The kids are back in school, the summer chores and projects are all done, (*sic*) and you can head down to the train room and start on that new extension! That model project for entry in the Trains 98 contest room isn't going to build itself ya'no, so get busy and start right now because Nov. will be here sooner than you think.

As I right this bit of tongue and cheek, I am melting in the summer heat and Nov. seems a million months away, but it is true, in model making terms, it might as well be next week! So many times I have thought to myself that I will have a model in next years show for sure, and then October rolls around and I have work to do and there's no time left and oh well maybe next year. Well dog gone it, this is next year and I'm going to do it, how about you?

I am still looking for articles and photos for the BB, every one is tired of seeing my old pix, so how 'bout it? You don't have to be a prize writer or a "Don Weixl" to send in an story or a photo.

The other day I was up in Vernon, and a couple of CN SD40-2's were idling on the track behind the Dairy Queen restaurant. As I took the pictures below, I wondered were the crew was. Then it dawned on me, hot day, hot locomotive cabs, Dairy Queen ice cream..... sure enough, there they were! Two nice cold cones in hand! I thought about getting there picture too but then I thought that I might get chased out! Anyway, it wasn't long before they were back at work.



Superintendents Report cont.

A reminder to get your nominations in for the **1998 Ross Heriot Gold Spike Award to Bill Van Bergen**, the award coordinator. Send your nominations to **Bill at 3925 Sea Mist Rd., Campbell River, B.C., V9H 1H7**, and your **Jack Work Memorial Trophy to Russ Watson**, at **4709 Barrow Rd., Victoria, B.C. V9C 4C6**, or you can e-mail to Russ at **rrw@pacificcoast.net**. Keep them coming so committees can make an informed decision.

Dick

DAVE NICKERSON

ELECTED NEW SECRETARY AND STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBER

Dave Nickerson, welcome.

Dave is one of those railway enthusiasts that seems to be involved in all phases of the hobby(s). He turns up at the clubs, belongs to several, with the last equipment. Enters contests with detailed models, and whole trains, and some of the best photos you'll see.

Ask him about anything to do with trains, from CNR's Newfoundland operations, the latest changes in the Powder River Basin and he can tell you rhyme and verse about it. I see his name as photo credit, information source, and proof reader in several books on railways.

Dave has been an NMRA member as long as I can remember, (no cracks please) and has been a member of several regions and is a member of the 6th as well as the 7th in PNR.

Dave will make a great addition to the Standing Committee, and as Secretary we are anticipating great input. Dave has said he will be on-line this fall. Welcome aboard Dave.

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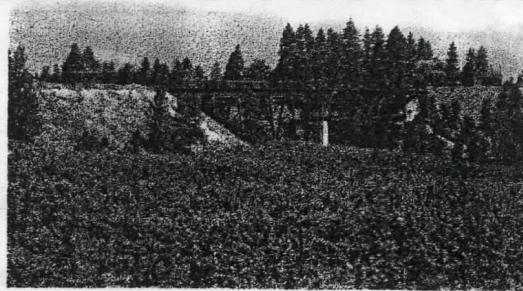
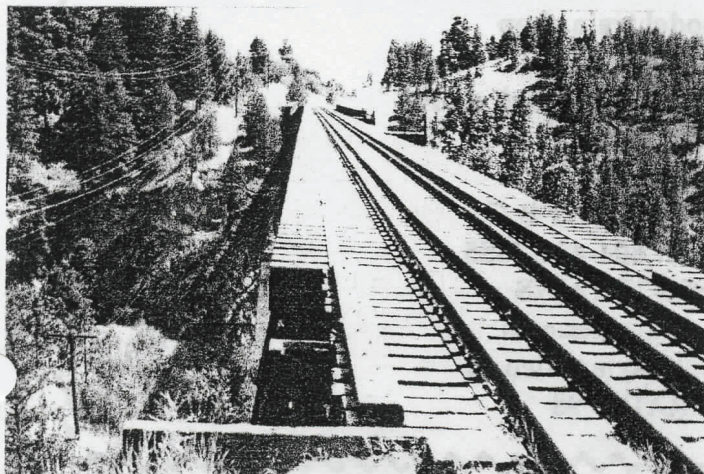
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ONE FINE DAY AT THE TROUT CREEK BRIDGE

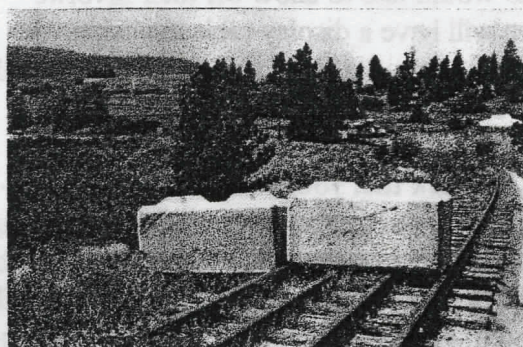
by Malcolm Anderson

The photo's below were taken in June on a outing to Summerland. I decided to see the KVR tourist train and found out it wasn't operating yet, so off I went to see what was out on display anyway. The Shay was away in it's engine house, but the bridge was left out for all to see. It was amazing to see it there waiting for the next train. Some brave(*read stupid*) souls ride bicycles and walk across the bridge. With the winds gusting across the bridge, a million dollars wouldn't be enough to make me go! It appears to be in good shape so I don't know why they don't allow the train to cross. These views of the bridge are deceiving. They don't show the deep chasm that the main span crosses. From the main span, you would get a nose bleed for sure, but also a commanding view of Okanagan Lake. Standing trackside you can tell by eye, the steep grade the railway had to deal with heading North (Westbound) out of Penticton. It would have been quite a scene watching a steam loco working hard up the grade with a full load. And it would have been scary trying to hold back a loaded train going down that steep grade into Penticton as well!

The Bridge Station is nothing more that a passing siding and open platform. Trains do not even approach the bridge.



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SEE OUR DISPLAY AT TRAINS 98

TRAINS 98 POPULAR VOTE CONTEST

BY DARREN BRKICH

Just a reminder for those who are planing on attending Trains 98 that we will once again be holding a popular vote contest. As well, the editor of the Bulletin Board is planning a 6x6 contest and there will be representatives of the NMRA Achievement Program available to judge your A. P. projects. For those who would like to show off their favorite model, we will have a display table available. Entries for the Popular Vote and 6x6 contests will be received on Saturday between 9 am and 1 pm with the judging taking place between 1 pm and 4:30 pm. We ask that your entry stay on the contest table during the public show on Sunday during which time the winning entries will be awarded ribbons. The first place winners in each category will be presented with a plaque at the Banquet on Sunday night.

There are ten categories to enter in (limit of two entries per person per category and a minimum of two entries in a category for awards to be presented): *Layout* - operational display; *Module* - portion of operational display; *Diorama* - non opera-

tional display; *Structure* - building, bridge, etc.; *Locomotive*; *Rolling stock*; *Train* - passenger, freight, etc.; *Novice* - open to anyone who is entering a contest for the first time; *Photography Prototype* and *Photography Model* (new this year) - colour or black & white photo, no slides (standard white mats are available for mounting the pictures).

Include a brief description of your entry (but do not include your name) on an index card so that the judges and public will know what kind of work you have put into your entry.

All of the entries will be placed together by their category type and incandescent spot lights will be provided for better lighting.

There will be a person at the contest tables at all times, stantions will be placed around the tables to keep hands away and claim tickets issued for each entry.

It is always great to see so many entries in the contest and I urge all of you who are attending Trains 98 to remember to bring along your favorite model or especially a photo of your model and participate in our popular vote contest.

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on Saturday September 19, 1998,

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Attractions include:

Locomotive and Rolling Stock displays by:

Canadian National Railway

Canadian Pacific Railway

Rocky Mountain Railtours

Shop tours of 2141 backshop to view restoration work (shuttle busses will provide transport between station and shop)

Hand Car Races

Heritage Railway displays

Riverside Coliseum will host various vendors and displays.

We are also making efforts to attract the Operation Lifesaver train, as well as possible participation by BC Rail and the Kettle Valley Railroad Historical Association.

Admission is \$3.00 per person or \$10.00 per family

For information on event, contact:

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Victoria B.C. Annual Victoria Model Railroad Show

Sunday, September 13th 1998

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Time: 10am to 4pm

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free with an adult.

Hourly door prizes, lots of parking, operating model railroad,
popular vote contest, commercial & individual saler and displays.

Information: Ted Alexis (250) 595-4070 or
Dave Tomljenovich (250) 652-1894

Late Breaking News

The Salmon Arm fire that has been in the news lately has hit our fellow Model Railroaders. Among the casualties was the long effort of Ken Ovington. He lost everthing including 10 years work on a 1 1/2" live steamer. At 73 he says he is too old to start over. Gary Hazell is thinking that he may start a fund to replace some of the things Ken and his wife Joan lost. If you would like to help, please contact Gary Hazell at 250-835-8628



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9 am to 4 pm

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NMRA PNR 7TH DIV. ROSS HERIOT MEMORIAL GOLDEN SPIKE AWARD

BY BILL VAN BERGEN

Its time to consider a worthy 7th Division member for the prestigious Ross Heriot Memorial Golden Spike Award. This award is presented to a person who has given outstanding time and energy to further the hobby. We all know people who should be recognized for their efforts and this is one way to do this. The award will be presented at Trains 98. The closing date for nominations is October 15, 1998 so please forward your nominees name, NMRA number, PNR number and your reasons for choosing the individual to:

Bill Van Bergen
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Congratulations to Patrick Lawson and Doug Hole Master Model Railroaders



Doug Hole receives his Master Model Railroader Plaque from Achievement Program Chairman Greg Madsen

NMRA PNR 7TH DIV. TRAINS 98

BY JOHN MOORE



TRAINS 98 will be held on Sunday Nov. 8th, 1997, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, at the Cameron Recreation Centre, 9523 Cameron St., Burnaby.

Admission \$5 Adult, \$2 Youth/Senior, \$10 Family.

The 7th Division Society, Pacific Northwest Region, National Model Railroad Association, is sanctioning this, the 16th annual TRAINS show. The TRAINS shows are intended to bring the hobby of model railroading to the public's attention. Declared Model Railroad Month by the National Model Railroad Association, November is used to promote the hobby by showing off it's diverse aspects.

The general public and the media are invited to come and see why this challenging hobby of Model Railroading is so fascinating to all. All those attending the show will be given free draw tickets to be eligible for a number of door prizes, both hourly and grand prize. These will include:- rail trips, books, models, posters, artwork, hats and t-shirts. Winners will have until the show closes to claim the hourly prizes. Grand prize winners will be contacted after the show closes.

TRAINS 98 will be held in the 2045 sq. Metre Cameron Recreation Center athletic hall plus the multi-purpose rooms. All this space makes this the Largest Annual Model Railway Show in British Columbia, with almost 3000 attending last year. The public show is again open for the extended hours we had last year with the doors opening at 9:00am and closing at 4:00pm. (Ticket sales close at 3:30pm.) The display space includes the full gymnasium, 22,000 sq. ft., with displays by special interest groups, there will also be private sellers and commercial tables, Model displays and contests in the various scales and gauges.. The main attraction will be the largest number of operating model railways in years, with some encouraging public operation.

The enclosed information on the model railroad hobby could be of use to you in your planning for the month of November.

The 7th Division Society is a non-profit society under the Societies Act of British Columbia, proceeds from these shows are used to promote and educate about the hobby, and support the Vancouver Childrens Hospital.

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