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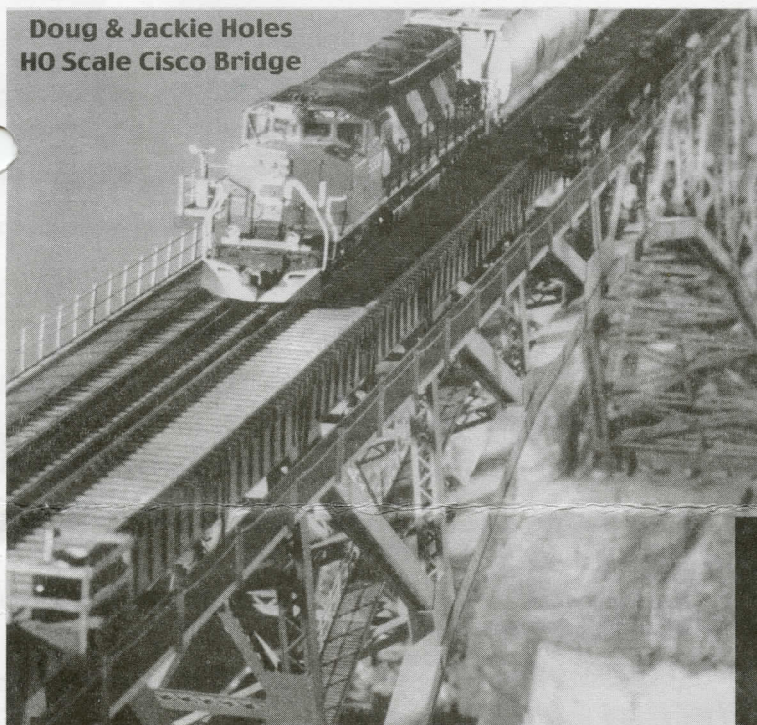
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1999 Jack Work Award

VICTORIA, BC - A very happy Doug and Jackie Hole from Sorrento, BC were the proud recipients of this year's Jack Work Award on September 12th at the Victoria Model Railway Show. The dynamic duo were the unanimous choice for the award based on the years of excellent modelling that they have completed and freely shared with many, many modellers all around North America.

For those of you who have been lucky enough to experience the enthusiasm that the Holes possess, especially while explaining the processes that they took to complete their modelling, I'm sure that you will agree that the Award is in good hands. Congratulations Doug and Jackie!

Doug & Jackie Holes
H0 Scale Cisco Bridge



The Past Five Years

Doug and Jackie Hole received the highly coveted Gold Award at the NMRA National Convention in St. Paul Minnesota in July 1999. Their beautifully detailed diorama of the Canadian National Railway's Cisco Bridge took first place for Displays On Line, The Best in Show and the Gold Award for amassing the highest point scoring of all of the models in all categories. It is interesting to note that the Gold Award was presented to a husband and wife team, a feat very rarely accomplished at the National Conventions. The winning model is presently being displayed around North America. (see the NMRA's August 99 issue of the *Bulletin*)

The award completes a very busy five years of competitions. In 1994, Doug won a first, second and a third place for modules and the Best in Show at the Portland National Convention. In March 1998, Doug achieved the distinction of Master Model Railroader #269, a world-wide model railroading award.

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Doug & Jackie Hole, the 1999 Jack Work Award recipients
Russ Watson photo

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Please feel free to contact any of the above members if you have questions, comments, suggestions or concerns. The strength of any organization is with it's members!

Visit the PNR WEBSITE at:
<http://www.infoharvest.ab.ca/NMRA/PNR/>



EDITOR'S DESK

by Russ Watson

Wow, it's been a busy summer for model railroaders with lots of meets. I was lucky enough to be able to attend PG Rails 99 in Prince George in mid-August. The meet, billed as a joint convention of the British Columbia Historical & Technical Society and the CN Lines Special Interest Group, was well attended with 137 registrants. The vast majority of them enjoyed the great lineup of clinics and prototype tours with the highlight for me being the bus tour to the BCR's Tacheeda. We watched and filmed a southbound coal train powered with BCR electric units arrive at Tacheeda, trade headend power with CN diesels and pull out en route to Prince George and on to Prince Rupert. Those electrics are sure quiet and clean burning too!

Since the PG meet, I've attended a very successful Victoria Model Railway Show (see this issue for the details) and a very enjoyable four days of railfanning up to Jasper and back with Al Lill of North Vancouver. This event was a CN Lines SIG annual event called "A Day In The Woods." Ten men and a boy who travelled from Alberta, BC and Ontario gathered for the event at Hinton, east of Jasper, on September 25th. No shortage of trains, spectacular scenery, great friendship and fun, a steak BBQ with a full moon and the odd beer or two made this a trip that I will never forget!

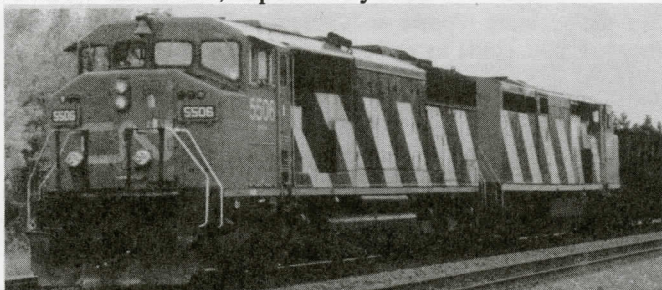
On to business, we have a new PNR Office Manager effective September 1st, his name is Leonard G. Soper. Please refer to page 3 for his contact information. Remember to send all NMRA and PNR membership renewals and address changes to Leonard.

Hugh Clarke would like everyone to know that he has a new email address, it is <hughclarke@home.com>.

Gary Hazell is planning to have this issue printed instead of photocopied so I hope the results are obvious. Gary has worked a deal to have the printing done at the same cost as photocopying (\$.52 per issue) providing that he does the folding and stuffing.

For those of you who plan to attend the 'Trains 99' meet in Burnaby in November, please read about Brian Pate's excellent hands-on clinic (and what you'll need to bring with you) on Page 5, Trains 99 Update 2 "CLINICS" section, you won't want to miss this great opportunity!

That's all for this month, hope to see you all at Trains 99.



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SUPERINTENDENT'S by Dick Sutcliffe REPORT

Well, Dick's marvelous summer holiday continues.....

Starting with a pleasant drive to Lewiston for the PNR convention, it seems like almost every weekend has some model railway related event. The Twin River Special was well put together, considering they only had about 6 months to do it. For me it was "marred" by the 6-hour Board of Directors (BOD) meeting, so I didn't get to many clinics. But it was countered by earning a merit award for an entry in the model contest.

The BOD meeting covered a lot of day-to-day business required to keep the region running and provide the services expected by the 1280+ members. The major decisions were the revisiting of the motions regarding the Switchlist. After more discussion and input from members regarding bylaw considerations, we decided to continue publication for at least another year, so a more carefully planned transition to a combined division newsletter/Internet system of communication could be established. With so many events happening in the hobby, the need for a more timely communication system is evident. The BOD will prepare a revision to the bylaws and submit it to the membership for a vote. We will also have a plan for the application of these changes to the publications. For the next year we will be rebating the divisions \$1 US per member, instead of the \$3 US we had proposed at the mid-year. (Note this is still an increase of \$.50 US from before the midyear meeting.) Please pass any thoughts you have on communication revisions to me.

Hugh MacKenzie, in Idaho, has agreed to take on the job of Editor of the Switchlist, during the transition. We all owe Paul Crozier-Smith a vote of thanks for the effort he has put into the Switchlist for the last I don't know how many years. Thanks Paul - it was a thankless job at times but you persevered. Good luck with your many other projects.

John Schlosser, from Kelowna made a presentation bid to the BOD for the 2001 PNR convention. The PNR Okanagan 2001, an "NMRA Rail Odyssey", was accepted. John has a very enthusiastic crew assisting him with this event, but we will all have to pitch in to help make this the superior type of event that the 7th Division has a reputation for. Ask John what you can do to help.

Chuck Kuranko, the PNR office manager has decided to become a Snow Bird, so he has resigned after three and a half years of dedicated service to the Region. The office has never been so organized, we'll miss you Chuck. The new office manager is Len Soper in Vida Oregon. I'm sure he will find the transition much easier than Chuck did. The systems are in place, welcome aboard Len.

When looking at the provision of service to the members, I felt the map of the PNR showed graphically some of the disparity in the layout of some of the divisions. Did you realize the 7th division covers BC, the Yukon, and the NWT as far east as the Saskatchewan/ Manitoba border? Greg Orme, 6th division Supt & I discussed this, and have reached agreement with the BOD that the eastern part of the NWT should be transferred to the 6th division. The description of 7th division now reads: "British Columbia, Yukon and the Northwest Territories." The Eastern Boundary is the East boundary of the Province of British Columbia extended North to the 75th Parallel. The Southern Boundary is the South Boundary of British Columbia at the

Canadian/United States border. The Western boundary is the water of the West coast line and the Eastern boundary of Alaska. The Northern Boundary is the 75th Parallel. This change did not affect any current PNR members, but increases the potential to recruit members who's traditional lines of communication are to their respective divisions.

The marvelous summer holiday continued with about a dozen railroad fans boarding the Cariboo Prospector early on a Wednesday morning for the trip to Prince George. We had a great time meeting new people from as far away as Australia, as we headed to PG Rails 99, the joint BCRH&T/CN Lines SIG convention. Thursday and Friday were filled with clinics and prototype tours - great presentations and hospitality. Saturday was more clinics and a public show. 7th division was represented with a small display. Thanks Patrick Lawson and Dave Nickerson for helping out with this. Sunday was a trip to Tacheeta, where the Tumbler Ridge electrics are exchanged for CN diesel power. The train crews even positioned the equipment for the best photo ops - fantastic. Back home again on Monday on the Prospector, with us all exchanging experiences and swapping modelling tips and ideas. The on-train service is superb.

The next portion of the marvelous summer holiday was to Revelstoke for their Railway Days. This was in conjunction with the CRHA and there were some excellent presentations. The Train Show was disappointing, which shows what can happen when a volunteer group doesn't follow through, but the rest of the weekend was great. I was able to integrate more documents into the Jim Ferrier Collection. Notification of the availability of the collection should be appearing on the Revelstoke Railway Museum web site soon. Barbara has filled some requests already, without publicity, except here in the 7th div.

And then there was Bill and Cathy Dixon's wedding at the West Coast Railway Heritage Park in Squamish.

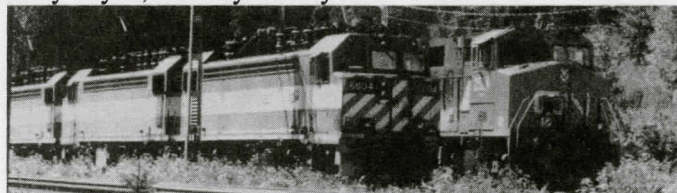
Then the marvelous summer holiday took me to Victoria for the Victoria Train Show. A well organized and attended event - over 1860 attended. The day before a number of us were treated to tours of two layouts in Sannich, and two in Cobble Hill. We were following the Salmon Arm club through some very well done layouts. Thanks Dave and Russ for setting this up. Thanks Rick, Walter, Peter and Andy for hosting us.

Next weekend I'm off to Chilliwack, then a weekend off, then to Lynden for two days. I guess that will be the end of Summer, but not the rail activities. It is great. Next big event for me is Trains 99. Hope you're able to take in some of these events. I'm sure excited about getting back to the modelling bench and the layout too.

If you compare my itinerary with the Schedules you will see, I have had to make some tough decisions about which events to attend.

This hobby can provide you with all the stimulation you want, if you participate with a group you get to know some great people, and it is even more enjoyable. GET INVOLVED.

See the separate reports on Trains 99. It has been great seeing so many of you, come by and say "hi" at the events.



Tacheeta

Russ Watson Photo

TRAINS 99 UPDATE 2

by John Zuk and the 'Trains' Committee



There is some of the latest information for the upcoming Trains 99 show, now less than 1 month away. Trains 99 will be held on Saturday, November 13th and Sunday, November 14th at the Cameron Recreation Centre in Burnaby.

Registrations are currently rolling in, so please send in the enclosed registration form as soon as possible to ensure a spot for the layout tours and banquet.

Clinics: RESIN KITS:- Brian Pate is going to run a hands-on clinic on the Assembly of **RESIN KITS**. Brian will provide a set of castings and instructions at a show special price of \$5. For those people who do not have lead to weight the car (needed during the clinic), Central Hobbies will provide the lead at a show special price of \$1 (available at the clinic). In addition, Central Hobbies will have available at the show, a super detail kit for those who do not have the detail parts to complete the car.

THE CATCH! Only one kit can be cast per day. Therefore we NEED a HEAD COUNT to ensure Brian has enough time to cast enough kits (but not too many) in time.

PLEASE CALL George Massey clinic coordinator, at (604)988-6080 of your intention to attend. We do not want any disappointments. There is also the option on your registration form to indicate your intent (but do not be too late).

FOR ASSEMBLY, YOU will be required to bring:-

- cutting board (masonite or plywood, 6x9" or larger)
- knife, Exacto or equivalent
- glue, ACC gap-filling
- contact cement, Elmers
- a piece of telephone wire or a pin for glue application
- a scrap of styrene or glass to put the ACC stock on
- tweezers

There will also be four other exciting clinics as well:-

Guy Brook with Proto 87 Wheels and Trucks.

Scott Calvert with Old Railway Cars Never Die.

Jack Langley on Signals.

Dave Burnett on Object Oriented Programming for Model Railroaders. e.g. control a siding with signals or scale conversions.

Layout Tours: For registrants at the TRAINS 99 meet, two sets of layout tours are being arranged.

First, on **Friday Evening** beginning at 7:30 PM there are at least two traditional pikes that will be open for view. Maps and Addresses will be forwarded as part of registration materials. As we approach the BB deadline the following are available:

Scott Calvert's **CPR Boundary Sub division**

John Green's **Coquihalla Valley Railway**

Both lines are CPR prototype and both have seen considerable advances since last year.

The Saturday Evening Tours are in the Burnaby - Vancouver Area.

Presently scheduled are:

BN Selkirk Division - N scale circa 1972

Coquihalla Valley H0 Scale circa 1955.

Seymour Valley H0 Logging circa 1930

Spokane and British Columbia H0 scale Circa 1955, Radio DCC

We are looking for other layouts Please direct any leads to John Green (604) 322 8990.

While some of these layouts may be familiar to Regular tour participants, all have seen significant development since the last time a Vancouver Burnaby tour was run in 1996. John Green.

Contests: The meet will once again feature the Popular Vote Contest. As well, the editor of the Bulletin Board is planning a 6 by 6 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 favourite model, there will also be a display table available.

The **Popular Vote Contest** is open to all Trains 99 registrants, and is a fun and friendly competition among fellow modellers. There are nine contest categories to choose from - diorama, module, layout, structure, train, rolling stock, locomotive, photograph-model and photograph-prototype. There is a limit of 2 entries per person per category. In addition there is a novice category for those who are entering a contest for the first time. All entries are anonymous and the voting is done by ballot by the meet registrants. We request that your entry be built or photographed by yourself and not have been previously entered. The voting will take place between 1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Saturday. During the show on Sunday, the winning entries will be awarded ribbons and during the banquet on Sunday night, the first place winners in each category will be awarded a beautiful wooden plaque. All entries will be displayed securely during the show on both days.

Bulletin Board 6 by 6 Contest: This is a fun contest open to anyone. You are invited to submit a model, or diorama, or scene, or anything you can think of. The only rule is that it has to be railway related, and have a base of exactly 6 by 6 inches. There is no limit on height or any restriction of scale. Past entries in this light-hearted contest have ranged from serious, to humorous, to bizarre-its up to you! Several small cash prizes will be awarded at the banquet.

Volunteers: If you don't think you have time to build a model, and your layout is still firmly embedded in the arm chair, you can still get a lot out of Trains by volunteering a couple of hours of your time. Bruce Warren is our contact for volunteers, call him at 520-1602.

Trains 99 Web Sites: There are two new web sites promoting Trains 99, which can be found at:

<http://www3.bc.sympatico.ca/wrdixon/index.html>

<http://www.pacificscalerail.com/conv/trains99/>

Both of these sites provide extensive information about the show. One site has committee member contact information and the other has a registration form. Please check both of them out.

Trains 99 is once again shaping up to be a great show. Remember to bring along your favourite model or railway photograph and participate in our popular vote contest or display table. Clinic participation is also highly recommended! Trains 99 is your meet, the more you get involved, the more fun you will have. **Register now to ensure layout tour and banquet space** and start getting ready for the fun. See you there!

TIMETABLE

PORTLAND, OR

Columbia Gorge Model RR Club's Annual Show

Nov. 6-7, 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, 1999, 2505 N.

Vancouver Ave. 10am to 5pm. Adults \$4.00; Kids 3 to 11 \$2.00 or \$1.00 w/can of food for Portland Police Dept's Sunshine Division or \$1

Info: Phil Maggs, 2925 SE 164th Ave., Portland, OR 97236 (503)761 9527 or (503)288 7246. E-mail: pmaggs@teleport.com

PORTLAND, OR

Mt. Hood Model Engineers Annual Model RR Show

Nov. 13-14 & 20-21

SE 55th & Belmont St

BURNABY, BC (see "Trains 99 Update 2 on page 5)

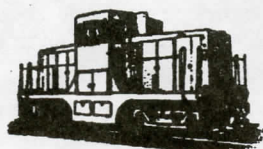
Trains 99 - The 17th Annual Meet And Public Show

Nov. 13th to 14th, 1999. Cameron Rec. Centre. 9523

Cameron St, Burnaby, BC. Displays, Layout Tours, Contests, Clinics, Banquet. Meet Fare \$15, NMRA Rebate \$4, Layout Tours \$16, Banquet \$30. **Public Show** Sunday, Nov. 14th, 9am to 4pm, Adults \$5, Seniors/Students \$2, Family \$10.

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NANAIMO, BC

Vancouver Island Spring Model Railroad Show

April 9, 2000

Beban Park Rec Centre

Operating Layouts, Sales Tables, Popular Vote Contest

Info: Ken Rutherford (250)724 4698 or Rick Lord (250)7244205

SALMON ARM, BC

Shuswap Rails 2000 Spring Meet

April 21-23, 2000

Salmon Arm Community Centre, 2550 Trans Canada Hwy East

Full Fare \$50 by Dec 31, 1999, Banquet \$25, Burger Bash \$10 Cdn.

Info: Doug Hole (250) 835 8628. Email: spmodelers@holesome.com

WWW site: www.holesome.com/shuswaprails/2000

Registration: Gary Hazell Voice (250) 835 8628, FAX (250) 835 8521. Email: comhaven@shuswap.net

LETHBRIDGE, AB

"Lenzie 2000" 6th Division Spring Meet

May 19, 20 & 21, 2000

Info: John Prins (403) 328 7390 or Doug Wingfield (403) 381 1369.

Email: wngfield@telusplanet.net

PNR CONVENTION DATES

2000

BOISE, ID

June 21st to 25th, 2000

Boise Centre on the Grove

Website: <http://web.internetoutlet.net/pnr3rd/2000a.htm>

The year 2000 PNR Convention will be held in Boise, Idaho at the Boise Centre on the Grove, during Boise's annual River Festival. The event begins on June 21st with a Registration and a "Welcoming Party". The main convention activities begin in the morning of June 22nd and run through the 25th, 2000 for all other activities.

2001

KELOWNA, BC

Okanagon 2001, an "NMRA Rail Odyssey."

Approaching Tacheeda Russ Watson Photo



Member's Aid

by Dick Sutcliffe

Member's aid is an NMRA program to provide support to members from close at hand. Essentially the program provides a person that members can contact with **hobby related questions**. The member's aid person is knowledgeable of the resources with the division, and puts the questioner in contact with a resource person. If the member's aid person doesn't know a local source they can check with other members of the division, or can pass the question up to the regional member's aid person, and from there to the national member's aid if necessary. The 7th division's member's aid chairperson is Bob Gardner, (250) 832 9882, e-mail: rvongard@jetstream.net Bob is getting so few calls he has volunteered to help Gary Hazell with the Bulletin Board Printing & Distribution. He can probably handle both jobs so feel free to give him a call.

Gold Spike Award

by Bill Van Bergen

I am still looking for nominations for the Ross Heriot Golden Spike Award, please forward your choice to:

Bill Van Bergen

3925 Seamist Drive

Campbell River, B.C.

V9H 1H7

or e-mail to billvan@connected.bc.ca. I need names by October 15; however, I will file nominations received after that for next year.



WEB SITES

www.planet.eon.net/~dan/kvr.html This is the home page for Dan & Sandra Langford who are authors of the book *Cycling the Kettle Valley Railway*. Their book is a well researched writing covering the KVR and also the Columbia & Western Railway.

www.interlog.com/~hturner/KVRsite/KVRhome.htm Kettle Valley Railway site has lots of interesting stuff on the prototype and modeling. Even has info for those who cycle the grades like I do.

Both submitted by Scott Calvert

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Northwest 2000 PNR Convention

<http://www.railwaymuseum.com/>
Revelsrooke Railway Museum

<http://www.bcarchives.gov.bc.ca/visual/visual.htm>
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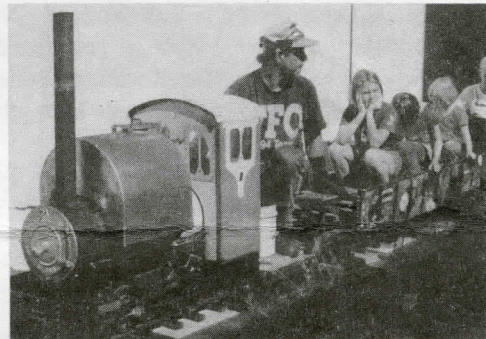
1999 Victoria Model Railway Show

VICTORIA, BC - Show Coordinators, Ted Alexis and David Tomljenovich, commented that they were very satisfied with the attendance of 1900 people at the Victoria Model Railway Show, held at the Victoria Curling Rink on September 12th, 1999. The show featured trains running on seven layouts and displays, which is the most action on rails that Victorians have experienced since the show last year (eat your hearts out Rail America!). Most scales were represented including N, HO, O, O-27, American Flyer and G. For the first time, Victorians were treated to the award winning Salmon Arm layout - everyone was glad that the guys and gal from Salmon Arm could make the long trip down to the show.

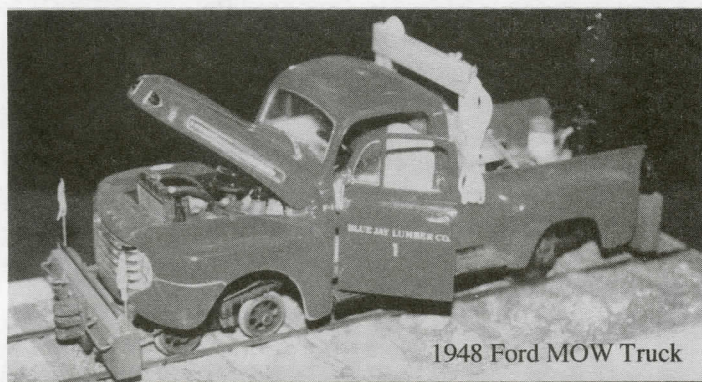
Once again the Vancouver Island Model Engineers provided rides for kids (and a few adults) behind a real live steam engine on their straight portable track just outside of the building. I believe that this is unique to the Victoria show and a real favourite for the kids.

The popular vote winners were:

Locomotive	On3 1948 MOW Truck	Rick Slingerland, Nanaimo
Rolling Stock	HO CPR Hayrack	John Britt, Victoria
Train	HO CP Freight	Ken Catlin, Aldergrove
Display/layout	HO Salmon Arm Layout	
Module	NTrak Module	Jim Pike, Victoria
Diorama	HO CP Branch	Scott Calvert, Coquitlam
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