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PNR Convention – Spokane Report

By Shirley Sample

The Historic 2005 Spokane Convention is now history. Our final tally shows that we had 124 registrants, 30 non-rail (spouses & youth) and a 5 daily admissions. Convention attendees enjoyed clinics on a variety of subjects along with several home layout tours and two club layouts. The prototype tour on Friday went to the BNSF Fueling Facility, the CXT Tie Plant, Inland Empire Railway Historical Society display at the Spokane Fairgrounds, a drive through the BNSF Yards, and lunch at Arbor Crest Winery overlooking the Spokane Valley. I hope everyone enjoyed the tour even though things were changing with BNSF right up to departure time!

There were a total of 80 entries in the contest and photo categories. Those winners that received points sufficient for AP merit awards were:

James Pilson	Canadian Pacific RS-2 Diesel Locomotive	89 pts
Edward Schaezner	D&RGW #872 flatcar with load	92 pts
Edward Schaezner	Houligan's Alley diorama	103 pts
Edward Schaezner	Three Loggers and Tree Diorama	99 pts
C.J. Riley	Western Maryland Jitney	97 pts
R.J.D. (Bob) Gardner	Canadian Pacific #422575 36 ft. Dominion Boxcar	103 pts

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Bob Gardner, MMR receiving award from Shirley Sample

Jack Hamilton	
Burned House at Minchac	98 pts
Zackary Williams, (he's only 12 years old)	
Alaska Meat Market	93 pts
Darryl Huffman	
Alaska Packers Association	100 pts
Glenn Farley	
D&RGW C-19 #341 Steam Loco	110 pts

The banquet speakers were Taos Wainstait, Chief of Security with BNSF who spoke on security on the Railroad and why some things are done the way they are, and Charlie Mutschler, Professor at Eastern Washington University in Cheney, WA who spoke about some of the history of railroads in the Spokane area. Both were enjoyed by those present.

Also a big "THANK YOU" to the members of the Salmon Arm Club for setting up their modular layout for the Convention and Swap Meet. It was a big hit and added a great dimension to the convention and swap meet on Sunday. We appreciate their taking the time to bring this down and set it up and hope they had a chance to enjoy the Convention and Spokane. We had a very nice article in the Monday, August 8th newspaper about the convention and the Salmon Arm Layout.

I hope everyone enjoyed their time in Spokane. Feel free to offer any comments to us so we can pass on the things people like or dislike about conventions to the committee for the next conventions. We do keep track of things that work & don't work! Hope to see some of you next year in Wilsonville, OR.

Shirley Sample
 5th Division Super & Convention Co-Chair
 Layout photos - courtesy Shirley Sample
 Presentation photo - Gary Hazell



Jess Bennett teaches his Great Grandson Aaron how to keep an S gauge train moving through the blocks, while other tour attendees photograph and observe the action, as part of the Historic Spokane Layout Tour



Some of Jess Bennett's brass work, created from original locomotive manufacturer's blueprints. To the delight of Layout Tour attendees, Jess operated one of his "Big Boy" locomotives as part of his Open House.

Editor's Desk
Eric Reynard

Scratchbuilding is an intimidating topic for us newbies and one I approached with some trepidation. But once I dipped my toes in the waters I find it hard to get back out. I am fortunate in having mentors in the art of scratchbuilding of the likes of Bob Gardner-MMR, Doug Hole-MMR, Jackie Hole, Jim Goldthorpe, Gary Hazell and the late Graham Redman as well as many others in the Salmon Arm club. These people made the process a reality for me, showing me the creativity involved in using materials on hand, adapting them to your vision and creating something special. They encouraged me to just go ahead and try. When you look at the work of these great modellers you are looking at the whole project and gaze in awe at the realism and detail they have achieved, the sense of time and place that is the magic of model railroading. These people also helped me to see that each project is a series of steps and that while the entire project may seem daunting and beyond your skills, each step taken individually is very doable. It takes time and patience and the willingness to redo it. (My personal motto is that if it was good enough to do once its good enough to do again.) This step by step approach has helped me achieve things in modelling I never thought were possible and in fact my first scratch built building (with much help from Doug and Jackie) is now a part of the Salmon Arm club layout - a fruit packing house. I guess the whole point of the editorial comment here is that detailed, scratchbuilt structures are well within the reach of any of us given the right inspiration and guidance and a good deal of patience.

Upcoming events include TRAINS 2005 in Burnaby. A registration form is included in the Bulletin.

This issue is a little later than I hoped but I have been swamped at work. See you next issue and if you have any articles to contribute please give me an email.

Member Aid*Bob Gardner, MMR*

We are not getting many requests for aid these days – probably many readers will be pursuing summer activities (and hopefully trains!) in the nice weather. In the meantime here are some ideas of my own.

CLOUDS

To give more impact to your sky-blue painted backdrop and increase the simulated distance to the horizon try two things.

First if you haven't already done it, paint the sky at the horizon a very light blue (just off white) with a tiny touch of yellow. Any scenery such as hills, mountains or trees painted on this will 'jump out' from the background. Blend the horizon colour upward to a darker blue.

Secondly put a few clouds in the sky. It helps to take some photos of cloud effects that you like for reference

Make three or four stencils from folder stock, making fairly detailed but irregular outlines with scissors. To keep the stencil slightly away from the background when spraying (this gives a soft outline) glue small blocks of wood or foam board to the back of the stencil.

buy one aerosol spray can of white primer and one of grey. These are dead flat and are all the colours you will need.

To make spraying easier and more controllable, pick up a 'Can Gun' spray can holder from your paint or hardware store. I got mine at home Hardware for under \$5.00. This little gadget turns a spray bomb into a spray gun.

Spray at the stencil with very light bursts, white for cloud tops and grey for bottoms. Some of the blue background should show through.

Remember, distant clouds (nearest the horizon) are smaller and show less grey. Clouds closer and more overhead will be larger and show more grey underneath.

Maybe try a few clouds on some pale blue construction paper first, then see what you can produce on your railroad.

See you next time

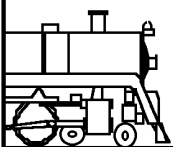
A comment from Mike Barone on last issues Member Aid:

Hi Bob:

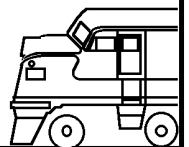
How's it going up there? I read your little piece in BB and have a few comments. On the drills, don't buy just 2, get at least 1/2 dozen. Your second to last drill will break on Saturday afternoon and the last one will break just after the stores have closed. With 1/2 dozen you'll have a good supply and won't have to think about getting them for some time. On the drill index's, getting one for the 61 to 80 drills is a very good suggestion. Unfortunately they don't make them for the other size drills we regularly use from 60 to 43. A suggestion here, make your own. I made one out of an old plastic case that used to package Central Valley trucks. A couple of stripes of Evergreen plastic, 1/4" square if I remember correctly, with holes drilled to contain the drills, and numbered according to size makes up the index. One of the best ways to prevent breakage of those small drills is to use a Dremel. With a small unit like the Dremel 750, my drills go dull before they break.

Something else you might like to put in your tips, don't throw out your old files. Grind them into chisels using your Dremel, and sharpen them on a fine stone. You can't buy those in any hobby shop or tool store.

Mike



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SEP 17-18, EDMONTON AB, 2004 Great Edmonton Train Show, Mayfield Inn Trade Centre, 16615 – 109th Ave. 10am-5pm. Info: - Jim Baker, (780) 430-7595, ["mailto:jimbaker@clarica.com"](mailto:jimbaker@clarica.com) [jimbaker@clarica.com](http://www.mmrf.ab.ca), <http://www.mmrf.ab.ca>
SEP 25, (SUN), VICTORIA BC, NMRA, PNR, 7th Div, Vancouver Island Subdivision, 15th Annual Victoria Model Railway Show, Cedar Hill Recreation Centre, 3220

Info: - Walt Huston, 1210 141st St E. Tacoma 98445, (253) 535-8787, ["mailto:hustonws@plu.edu"](mailto:hustonws@plu.edu) hustonws@plu.edu.

OCT 8, (SAT), PEACHLAND BC, 4th Annual Peachland model Train Show, 10am-2pm. Info: -

OCT 15-16, CHILLIWAK BC, Mount Cheam Lions Club Model Railway & Hobby Show, Heritage Park, 44140 Luckakuck Way. Sat. 10am-6pm. Sun 10am-4pm. Info: James Hill, (604) 824-1757, ["mailto:qdee@telus.net"](mailto:qdee@telus.net) qdee@telus.net.

OCT 15-16, RAVENSDALE WA, 8th Annual Maple Valley Model Train Show, 10am-5pm. Grace Hansen Community Center, 27132 Ravensdale Way. Info: - Henry Hollwedel, (425) 432-7900, ["mailto:henhollwedel@juno.com"](mailto:henhollwedel@juno.com) henhollwedel@juno.com, ["http://www.mytowncommunity.com/community/trainshow"](http://www.mytowncommunity.com/community/trainshow) www.mytowncommunity.com/community/trainshow.

OCT 16, (SUN), SPOKANE WA, Spokane Railroad Show. Spokane Community College, Lair Student Activities Building, Mission & Greene St. 10am-4pm. Info: - IERHS/Train Show, P.O. Box 5334, Spokane WA 99205-0334, (509) 535-7186 ["mailto:ierhs@yahoo.com"](mailto:ierhs@yahoo.com) [ierhs@yahoo.com](http://www.ierhs.50megs.com), <http://www.ierhs.50megs.com>.

OCT 29, (SAT), RITZVILLE WA, Great Northwest Train Show, American Legion Club Hall, 538 W. Broadway, 10am-4pm. Info: - Ritzville Chamber of Commerce, (509) 659-1936

OCT 29-30, SALEM OR, Great Western Train Show, Oregon State Fairgrounds, 2330 17th St NE, 10am-4pm. Info: - ["http://www.gats.com"](http://www.gats.com) www.gats.com.

NOV 5-6, CORVALLIS OR, 2nd Annual "Worlds Greatest Hobby – Intro to Model Railroading", Corvallis/Benton County Public Library, 645 NW Monroe Ave. Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2pm-6pm. Info: - Patrick Sloma, (541) 760-5245, ["mailto:p.sloma@comcast.net"](mailto:p.sloma@comcast.net) p.sloma@comcast.net.

NOV 11-14, BURNABY BC, TRAINS 2005, 23rd Annual 7th Div Fall Meet, Cameron Recreation Center, 9523 Cameron St. Info: - Kathy Dixon, (Registrar), P.O. Box 52224, N. Vancouver BC V7J 3V5, (604) 987-4237, ["mailto:Trains-2004-meet-reg@telus.net"](mailto:Trains-2004-meet-reg@telus.net) Trains-2004-meet-reg@telus.net, ["http://www.bctrains.org"](http://www.bctrains.org) www.bctrains.org.

NOV 12-13, (SUN), BURNABY BC, TRAINS 2005, 23rd Annual Public Show, Cameron Recreation Center, 9523 Cameron St. 9am-4pm. Info: - Bill Dixon, (Registrar), P.O. Box 52224, North Vancouver BC V7J 3V5, (604) 987-4237, ["mailto:trains-show-registrar@telus.net"](mailto:trains-show-registrar@telus.net) trains-show-registrar@telus.net, ["http://www.bctrains.org"](http://www.bctrains.org) www.bctrains.org.

NOV 12, (SAT), KENT WA, 26th Boeing Employees' Model Railroad Club Annual Swap Meet, Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N, (corner w/ James), 9:30am-4pm. Info: - HYPERLINK ["mailto:swapmeet@bemrrc.com"](mailto:swapmeet@bemrrc.com) [swapmeet@bemrrc.com](http://www.bemrrc.com) HYPERLINK ["http://www.bemrrc.com"](http://www.bemrrc.com) www.bemrrc.com.

NOV 12-13, VANCOUVER WA, Great American Train Show, Clark County Fair Grounds 17402 NE Delfal Rd. 11am-5pm. Info: - HYPERLINK ["http://www.gats.com"](http://www.gats.com) www.gats.com.

NOV 19-20, TACOMA WA, Great American Train Show, Western Washington Fairgrounds, 9th & Meridian, 11am-5pm. Info: - HYPERLINK ["http://www.gats.com"](http://www.gats.com) www.gats.com.

NOV 26-27, DEC 3-4, CORVALLIS OR, Corvallis Society of Model Engineers Open House, Adair Village Clubhouse, Hwy 99 W, 10am-5pm. Info: - Patrick Sloma, (541) 760-5245, HYPERLINK ["mailto:p.sloma@comcast.net"](mailto:p.sloma@comcast.net) p.sloma@comcast.net.

NOV 26-27, MEDFORD OR, 28th Annual Rogue Valley Railroad Show, Medford Armory, 1701 S. Pacific Hwy. Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 11am-4pm. Info: - Brad Fawcett, (541) 535-7952, HYPERLINK ["mailto:bfawcett@mind.net"](mailto:bfawcett@mind.net) bfawcett@mind.net, HYPERLINK ["http://www.rvmrc.railfan.net"](http://www.rvmrc.railfan.net) www.rvmrc.railfan.net.

TIMETABLE – 2006

JUL 2-9, PHILADELPHIA PA, Independence Junction 2006. NMRA National Convention, Sponsored by the Mid-Eastern Region. Pennsylvania Convention Center, 1101 Arch St. Info: - HYPERLINK ["http://www.ij2006.org"](http://www.ij2006.org) www.ij2006.org.

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OCT 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23, IONE WA, North Pend Oreille Valley Lions Autumn Colors Train Rides to Metaline Falls & return, 11am, 1pm, 3pm. Info: - (509) 442-5466, ["http://www.povn.com/byway"](http://www.povn.com/byway) www.povn.com/byway.

OCT 1, (SAT), KAMLOOPS BC, 8th Kamloops Railway Days, Station Plaza, 500 Lorne St. Info: - (250) 374-2141, ["mailto:info@kamrail.com"](mailto:info@kamrail.com) info@kamrail.com, ["http://www.kamloopsheritagerrailway.com"](http://www.kamloopsheritagerrailway.com) www.kamloopsheritagerrailway.com.

OCT 7-9, ESSEX MT, 24th Annual Alta/Mont Weekend, Izaak Walton Inn. Info: - (406) 888-5700, ["mailto:stay@izaakwaltoninn.com"](mailto:stay@izaakwaltoninn.com) stay@izaakwaltoninn.com, ["http://www.izaakwaltoninn.com"](http://www.izaakwaltoninn.com) www.izaakwaltoninn.com.

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OCT 8-9, FIRCREST WA, 16th Annual N-Track Northwest N Scale Show & Swap Meet, Fircrest Recreation Center, 555 Contra Costa, Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 11am-4pm.

Superintendent's Report

Scott Calvert

Not available at this time

Trains 2005

Richard Sutcliffe



Dear Editor.

Burnaby, B.C., Canada, Saturday and Sunday, November 12 & 13 2005, will be the location of the 23rd annual TRAINS show. The 7th Division, Pacific Northwest Region, National Model Railroad Association, is once again sanctioning the show and a meet, which will take place from Friday, Nov. 11, to Monday, Nov. 14th.

TRAINS 2005 will be held in the 2045 sq. metre Cameron Recreation Center athletic hall plus a racquetball court and the multipurpose rooms. All this space makes this the largest annual model railway show in British Columbia. Last year over 3200 public and registrants attended.

The public show will feature modular and sectional layouts from the Mainland Modular Railway, Victoria to Sidney HO or O scale, TraiNgang, North Island, Top Link & Nettlewood, T.T.O.S., and Garden Railways clubs. Displays of models in all scales, North American and overseas prototypes; Tinplate; Collectibles; as well as swap tables; commercial sales; videos; demonstrations; Kids Zone; WGH beginner clinics; and expert advice on the hobby. Adults \$6, senior/student/NMRA \$3, family \$15. The purpose of this show is to raise the public awareness of this greatest hobby of model railroading.

The meet will include:

On Friday, for the pre-registrants, there will be a prototype tours and a self guided layout tour. This year there will again be several op. sessions by pre-application. Set up for the show will start in the afternoon and space will be available for slide/video presentations and socializing.

There will be time Saturday morning to complete setup of displays. Clinics, popular choice, prototype modelers and SIG contests take place all day. Railway videos from the 7th division library will be on view. from 12 noon to 5pm, the hall will be opened for the first day of the Public Show. In the evening, fol-

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Sunday's activities from 9am to 4pm, will be the second day of the Public Show, with AP judging available for contest entries, as well as two beginners clinics, Kids Zone, and more videos. In the evening, the annual Fall Meet Banquet, with Cosmic Catering's wonderful food, and an after dinner program. On Saturday & Sunday refreshments will be available from the Center's Seniors' Association, in their lounge, as well as from the concession operated by the Center.

The prototype tours this year's is hoped to be the Downtown Historic Railway.

Meet Registrar Kathy, P.O. Box 52224, North Vancouver, B.C. V7J 3V5, 604-987-4237 or

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Jack Work Memorial Trophy

Rene Gourley

Call for Nominations: Jack Work Memorial Trophy

Jack Work was a true pioneer in the hobby of model railroading. During the 1950's and 60's he shared much of his substantial knowledge and accomplishments with the modelling public through many articles in noted periodicals. After his death in June, 1996, his stainless steel railway whistle was kindly donated to the NMRA PNR 7th Division. The whistle has become the basis of a Divisional Trophy.

The Jack Work Memorial Trophy is presented annually to the 7th division member who best exhibits the qualities that Jack Work displayed, namely: imagination, creativity, innovation, artistry, forward thinking, quality workmanship and the sharing of the results of these qualities with the rest of the hobby. The award may only be received once in a lifetime.

The recipient is selected by a committee composed of the 7th Division Achievement Program (AP) chairperson, Sub-Division AP Chairpersons, and two of the 7th Division Executive members. The selection is made from a list of members that are nominated for the award by the general membership.

The committee will assemble (by e-mail or telephone) and review every nomination and reach consensus on the recipient. The committee members will familiarise themselves with the modelling work of all of the nominees. Photographs and/or video tape may be used to view the modelling when necessary. The Trophy may not be awarded each year if the committee feels that there is no qualified recipient. The AP can be a source of nominations if there is a lack of nominations from the membership.

The 7th Division is very fortunate to have this prestigious award. I'm sure that every modeller would be honoured to receive it. For a nomination form, please contact Rene Gourley at 604 904 8404, email: rene@proto87.org.