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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Members enjoyed a spectacular Fall day for our September AGM, BBQ and kick-off to our 2024-2025 Toy Train Season. Thanks to the 73 members and guests who made for a great day and a record setting turnout! It was great to see everyone again.

I'm delighted to advise that your executive team has returned in full and I'm excited to be your President for my 4th year. Treasurer Jim Barrett shared the news that our Club is enjoying solid financial health and Mark Horne reviewed our amazing Club Car program and announced the long awaited MTH work caboose tender to match our PGE Crane from 2018.

Thanks a bunch to our Island members and others who made a long full day of travel to be with us. Ralph Spielman came from NY for the third time and Tom Mower did the road trip from Quesnel. Great to see and share this love for model trains.

This meet also set a meeting record for contributions to our treasury auction - over \$1100! Thanks to contributions from Anne Schmidt, the Island Group members, proceeds from an Estate train collection donated to Mark Horne, and donations from Brain Driscoll. This is a real boost to our bottom line to start the year.

I'm excited to be heading to the Lynden, WA, show with our layout in early October. Then Mark and the YORK group are off on the annual adventure to the 'mecca' of toy train meets.

Great to see so many members sporting our new 50th anniversary logo wear merchandise at the AGM. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the October meet for our final BBQ of the year!

Kyle

time for
trains

painting
by
Rene
Magritte



2024-25 CANADIAN CLUB MEETS

meetings at Charles Rummel Community Centre, Burnaby
doors open at 11am UPCOMING DATES:

SUNDAY OCT 27

SUNDAY NOV 24

SUNDAY DEC 15



September Meeting Prize Winners



A beautiful day for a BBQ on the west coast.



There were a lot of trains for sale at the meeting that made for lively trading, and thanks in part to generous treasury donations by our members.
right and left: some custom painted canadiana.
(see a photo of the prototype on pg 6)





Anne Schmidt brought a selection of her late husband Frank's varied train collection for sale.



Cariboo Wagon Road, Fraser Canyon 1860's before the CPR, a wandering precarious road. courtesy of Eric Brighton, Gold Trails & Ghost Towns



Mark Horne brought a large volume of trains, including many sold at Treasury to support the club.

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	1500	3-Car Freight	\$19.95		2423	Observation	7.75		
	1501S	3-Car Freight	24.95		2429	Pullman	7.75		
	1503WS	4-Car Freight (Above at net price)	32.50		2521	Observation	10.50		
	1504WS	4-Car Freight	42.95		2532	View-dome Pullman	9.95		
	1467W	4-Car Freight	57.50		2534	Pullman	9.95		
	1502WS	3-Car Passenger	57.50		3456	Oper. Hopper	5.75		
	1507WS	5-Car Freight	65.00		3461	Oper. Lumber	7.25		
	1464W	3-Car Passenger	66.50		3469	Oper. Ore Dump	8.50		
	1509WS	5-Car Freight	70.00		3472	Operating Milk	10.50		
					3484	Oper. Box Car	6.50		
					3520	New Searchlight	7.75		
	2201WS	4-Car Freight	39.95		3656	Operating Cattle	15.95		
	2203WS	4-Car Freight	43.25		6435	3-Dome Oil Car	5.75		
	2205WS	5-Car Freight	59.75		6437	Caboose (Ill.)	5.75		
	2211WS	4-Car Freight	62.50		6439	Work Caboose	5.75		
	2213WS	5-Car Freight	70.00		6456	Hopper Car	4.75		
	2207WS	4-Car Freight	70.00		6460	Crane Car	7.75		
	2209WS	4-Car Freight	70.00		6462	Gondola Car	4.75		
	2199W	4-Car Passenger	89.50		6464-1	Box Car West'n Pac. Striv. & Blue	5.50		
					6464-25	Box. Car Great	5.50		
	623	Diesel Switcher	25.00		6464-50	Box Car Minn. & St. Louis-Orange	5.50		
	624	Diesel Switcher	25.00		6464-75	Box Car Rock Isl. Green Color	5.50		
	2055LWS	Loco & Tender	30.00		6468	Automobile Car	5.50		
	6825LWS	Loco & Tender	37.50		6472	Refrigerator Car	4.75		
	2046LWS	Loco & Tender	37.50		6511	Pipe Car	5.95		
	6811LWS	Loco & Tender	37.50		6561	Cable Car	5.95		
	2031	Rock Told. Diesel	38.95		6656	Stock Car	4.75		
	726LWS	Loco & Tender	43.50						
	2353	Santa Fe Diesel	47.50						
	2384	N.Y.C. Diesel	47.50						
	2395	West'n Pacific Del.	47.50						
		TRANSFORMERS							
	EW	110 Watts	15.50		40	ACCESSORIES			
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	TW	190 Watts	16.95		132	Whistle Station	6.25		
					145	Ingr Station	9.95		
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					153	Semaphore	4.50		
	23430	Santa Fe *B* Unit	9.95		153B	Block Signal	4.50		
	23440	N.Y.C. *B* Unit	9.95		154	Contact	1.25		
	2421	Pullman	7.75		154G	H Way Signal	3.95		
	2422	Pullman	7.75		157	Contact for 154	1.25		
						Station Platform	3.75		

Marshall Wells 1953 Lionel Price List
Thanks John Constible for this;
(the year of John's first trains)

EVENTS:

Oct. 19 & 20, Chilliwack 10am-4pm
 2024 Train & Hobby Show
 Info: info@allaboutexpos.ca

Nov 2&3, Vancouver BC Sat 10-6 Sun 10-5
 Vancouver Train Expo
 Info: www.vancouvertrainexpo.ca

Nov 3, Nanaimo BC Sun 1-4pm
 COOTTS meet Oliver Woods Rec Centre
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WAITING FOR THOSE LAYOUT PIX:



**KIT BASH TO SHOW? STORY TO TELL?
 SEND PHOTOS.**

IAN CLARKE (London, ON)

Here is one of my latest exploits. I recently 3D designed, printed, and detailed this 1:210 scale model of New York's Chrysler Building for the New Jersey HiRailers in Paterson, NJ. The 5' tall model features a fully illuminated interior and 224 filament LEDs in the crown to replicate the triangular lighting of the prototype. Visitors to NJHR can press a button to activate a 2-minute sound-and-light show featuring music clips dating from the building's construction in 1930. Photo: Grant Miles.



CTTA Member **Ian Clarke** featured in the fall edition of "The Canadian", the newsletter of the Canadian Association of Railway Modellers
www.caorm.org
 fantastic work!

Yes there is going to be a train show in Chilliwack this October; layouts and trading tables. (no CTTA layout this time)

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746 LTS N&W Steam Loco, Tdr	49.95	32.50
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2243 S.P. "A" & "B" Unit	45.00	26.95
2328 Burlington Diesel	27.50	17.95
2331 Virginia 2321 Lacka	39.95	26.50
2338 Milw 2339 Wabash	29.95	22.95
2350 New Haven 2351 Milw	35.00	23.45
2360 GG-1 (Green or Wine)	49.95	32.95
2373 Can. Pac. Twin Diesel	49.95	32.95
LW 125 Watt Transformer	15.95	11.75
	93.00	17.85

The Man Who Spanned the Hudson

Alexander Johnson Cassatt and the creation of the PRR's Pennsylvania Station

from the blog by Steven Ujifusa, with many thanks to Ralph Spielman

<https://blog.phillyhistory.org/index.php/2013/05/alexander-johnson-cassatt-the-man-who-spanned-the-hudson/>

Alexander Cassatt was an engineer who rose to vice-president of the Pennsylvania RR, retired, then returned as president to push for a foothold in Manhattan by overseeing tunnelling under the Hudson River and the design and construction of Pennsylvania Station.



Portrait of Alexander Johnson Cassatt by his sister Mary. Source: allpaintings.org.

His sister Mary Cassatt became a renowned Impressionist painter and printmaker in Paris, mentored by Edgar Degas and Camille Pissaro.



Young Woman in a Black and Green Bonnet, c. 1890, Princeton University Art Museum

Over the years she did a number of portraits of her brother. Alexander was also painted by the well known American painter John Singer Sargent.



Pennsylvania Station in 1911, a year after completion. The PRR boasted that although the Winter Palace in St. Petersburg, Russia was larger, their new station was the largest building ever erected at once. Source: Wikipedia Commons.

Carl Chancey re-posted this unusual GMDH-1 loco that belongs to Canada's Museum of Science & Technology



Alexander Sigworth
September 5 at 2:14 PM
probably the most unique switch engine the GMD GMDH-1

Mark Horne, Mike Munk and 16 others · 4 comments

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Wolfgang Uwe Schulz
Isn't that at the science and tech museum in Ottawa in storage?

3w Like Reply

Alexander Poirier
Wolfgang Uwe Schulz That is correct. Bytown Railway Society looks after it and it has one operational engine and a brand new spare all wrapped up to be installed in the second hood.



Where is this? see over



Gabriel Martinez — joining the group
 “Realistic Diorama Creators”
 (...had me fooled...ed.)



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Here's a view of the roundhouse yard from the Joinery Shop attic and a look at some artifacts found up there.



Yes Train Shed's can be charming as this photo shows

IN MEMORIUM BRIAN TORCH

From our Island members the news that Brian has passed away at the end of September.

A long time member of CTTA, Brian chose to sit in the front row at our meetings to get a good look at everything.

Brian was 82, born in Winnipeg, raised in the Kootenay's. His father worked for the CPR/ Kettle Valley Line. Brian had the thrill of riding the train through Othello as a boy.

Brian collected Die Cast, 0 gauge Lionel and others in Canadian livery.

Brian leaves no close family. Rest in peace.



If any members have any knowledge of Brian's relatives or personal history, please contact the Exec.



VIA 20 6531 st-Léonard 22 juin 1985 pierrefourmier

VIA Rail blue/yellow 1985 at St. Léonard NB
 Pierre Fournier photo



John Warlimont

September 17 at 5:11 PM · 🌐

Stopped in Hope today, thought that there might be some progress on restoring the station but apparently it is at a standstill waiting for additional grants



John Warlimont posted the Hope BC station awaiting restoration; it won a grant from the National Trust but needs more funds to proceed.

CTTA at Lynden Lions Model Train & Toy Show Oct 5 & 6



Look at those fall colours.
Halloween must be on the way



More layouts from other clubs and more trains and toys on next page





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