

The Switchlist

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The collage features several model railroad-related items:

- Western Pacific Switch List:** A form with a "WESTERN PACIFIC" logo and a "FIRST" stamp. It includes fields for "To", "From", "Engine", "Loc", "M", "Operator", "Date", "Time", "Initials", "Checked", and "Seals". A table with columns "INITIAL", "NUMBER", "CL", "CONTENTS", and "DESTIN" is partially visible.
- Copper Range Railroad Company Form:** A form with a "Copper Range Railroad Company" header and a "Form 24" label. It includes a "Customer's Reference" field and a "Description" field.
- Cascadian International 2010 Logo:** An oval logo with a blue border containing the text "CASCADIAN INTERNATIONAL 2010". Inside the oval is a stylized landscape with green mountains and a white building. Overlaid on the logo is the text "It's not too late!" in large, purple, 3D-style letters. Below the landscape is a red and orange train engine pulling several orange and black freight cars.
- Great Northern Switch List:** A form with a "GREAT NORTHERN" logo and a "SWITCH LIST" title. It includes the text "SWITCH GARS CAREFULLY AND SAFELY AVOID ROUGH HANDLING" and a "GREAT NORTHERN" logo.

Officers' Reports

President's Report

Walt Huston

Having ascended to the Presidency on June 15, 2010, I find things getting quite interesting. Before making this move, I really had little clue what this job was really about. I've been looking around and poking around too. I'm beginning to figure this all out and I'm getting ready to jump in with both feet. Hopefully I will be able to swim and not drown.

As I see it my new job is to represent and serve you. If there is anything I can do to make your experiences with PNR better, let me know. If your request is reasonable, I'll be glad to work on whatever it is and get things in order. I do ask that you run things by your Division Superintendent first, though, as they are there for you, too. Over the past couple of years, a number of changes have been made to the Bylaws and the other documents that give us our direction. Right now we need to vote on those Bylaws changes. I ask you to please do so and approve the changes so we can move forward in the 21st Century with common sense "rules" to make life better and things run smoother for all of us.

In a couple of weeks, the Fourth Division presents the 2010 PNR Convention in Lynnwood. From what I have seen, this is going to be a great convention at a great price. Emphasis has been placed on getting the very best value for the very least cost. I think the committee has done an excellent job. I can compare their work with that done for the NMRA 75th Anniversary Convention in Milwaukee quite favorably. Nancy and I spent eight days in Milwaukee and we enjoyed the convention very much. We are now looking forward to Lynnwood because the planners have done well and come up with an excellent program. This special issue of the *SwitchList* contains a review of everything planned and in place. Take a look and, if you haven't registered, do it now! **It's not too late!** I guarantee you'll have a wonderful time.

Don't forget to take the opportunity during the convention to come to the Annual General Membership Meeting on Friday morning. You will get a great chance to meet your representatives, the President, VP and all of the Division Superintendents (well, most of them anyway). You will get an opportunity to hear what the BOD has been doing and to ask questions. You will not hear any long speeches and I promise not to tell too many bad jokes.



Treasurer's Report

Dirk Krusman

Our finances continue to do very well. Overall we show more income than expenses except in the category of *Switchlist* publication. Publishing the *Switchlist* is expensive if we have to mail it to the members. You can do your share to reduce its cost by telling Ed or Gay Liesse, our Office Managers, that you want the *Switchlist* emailed to you. Provide them your current e-mail address. See article on page 4 of this issue.

Our financial year ends August 31. After that, I will publish a report on how well we did in receiving our income and spending our money for the year.

Proposed Bylaws Changes

Jack Hamilton

The PNR Board of Directors has approved the following two changes to the current Bylaws to be placed before the members as a ballot issue. Please take the time to vote now. Your ballot is on page 7 of this issue. Here are the proposed changes:

Proposed Change #1

Article III, Section 5 F (revise to delete existing item 4) concerning audits and add a new item 7 regarding preparation and submission of IRS reports. The revised text will read as follows:

F. Treasurer: 1) receive and keep safe all monies and securities of PNR; 2) disburse monies and securities per policies established by the Board; 3) maintain books of account; 4) prepare financial reports at the close of the fiscal year and any other time that the Board shall so direct; 5) prepare and present a proposed budget to the Board prior to the beginning of each fiscal year; 6) be bonded in an amount sufficient to cover all PNR assets; 7) prepare and submit timely required IRS tax reports 8) provide PNR Agent in Charge with required annual financial reports; 9) complete and file the annual report (Form CT-12) to the Charitable Activities Division of the Oregon Department of Justice in a timely manner as required by law.

Proposed Change #2

Article III, Section 5A (revise by addition of new item 4) regarding audits and renumber remaining items. The revised text will read as follows:

A. President: 1) preside over meetings of the PNR Board and the Annual Membership Meeting; 2) sign all contracts or other instruments in writing authorized by the Board; 3) be bonded in an amount sufficient to cover all PNR assets; 4) arrange for audits of the financial accounts and books and accounting procedures; 5) call special meetings of the Board whenever deemed necessary; 6) have and exercise under the direction of the Board the general administration of the affairs of the PNR; 7) be responsible for enforcing the Bylaws and any rules and regulations established by the Board; 8) appoint various officers and committees as needed; 9) in addition, may appoint a: Membership Chair, Model Contest Chair, Photo Contest Chair, Ballot Committee Chair(s), Nominations Committee Chair(s), Convention Coordinator, Switchlist Editor, Member Aid Chair, and Youth Coordinator without the advice and consent of the Board and shall define the expected duties of each chair appointed.

Achievement Program Report

Jack Hamilton

Achievement Program activity continues at a very high level. All of those currently engaged in the program are to be congratulated for your efforts and encouraged to continue on. I'm sure that each of you is finding the educational opportunities inherent in the program are improving your skills and expanding your horizons in the hobby.

During the past quarter, three members have completed necessary requirements and received recognition as Master Model Railroaders. This is a major personal accomplishment for each of the individuals and they deserve our most hearty congratulations.

- ◆ First Division Superintendent Ed Schaezner, MMR 438, of Coquille, Oregon, was recognized for achieving MMR status at the recent Milwaukee Convention Awards Banquet. Ed earned AP certificates for Electrical, Scenery, Civil, Cars, Structures, Volunteer, and Official. We all extend our most sincere congratulations to Ed for his achievement.
- ◆ Roger Nulton, MMR 445 of Tacoma, WA, 4th Division, has earned certificates in Structures, Civil Engineering, Prototype Model, Scenery, Cars, Electrical Engineering, and Author. Roger's designation as MMR has been announced by National. We all extend our most sincere congratulations to Roger for his achievement.
- ◆ Bob Parrish MMR 448 of Boise, ID, 3rd Division, has earned certificates in Volunteer, Scenery, Electrical, Civil, Cars, Author, and Structures. Bob's designation as MMR has been announced by National. We all extend our most sincere congratulations to Bob for his achievement.

And further congratulations are due to each awardee below for the Achievement Program Recognition he has earned:

- ◆ Larry Brumback - AP Certificate for Scenery
- ◆ Phillip Everett - AP Certificate for Structures

- ◆ Bill Taylor – Golden Spike Award
- ◆ Rider Cheyne – Golden Spike Award
- ◆ John Nash – Golden Spike Award
- ◆ Bill Barker – Golden Spike Award
- ◆ William Messecar – Golden Spike Award

- ◆ Kyle Gardiner – 2 Merit Awards for Cars
- ◆ William Messecar – 5 Merit Awards for structures
- ◆ Bob Parrish – 2 Merit Awards for Cars
- ◆ Andy Doll – Merit Award for Structures

I would like to extend my personal thanks to all the Division AP Chairs and other members that are assisting in completion of AP assessments. These are the guys that are really making the program work for you. Our list of MMRs continues to grow; see the list in the box to the right.

In addition to those who have finished the requirements for MMR, a growing number of members are now in striking distance with five or six certificates: Phil Everett holds 6, Al Frasch holds 5, Kyle Gardiner holds 5, PNR President Walt Huston holds 6 (he also has Official pending, so he will earn his MMR with 8 instead of the normal 7 – some guys just have to do things the hard way), Fred Kaser holds 5, Bill Messecar has 5 pending, and Roger Walker holds 5. There are an equal number with 4 certificates and several that I know of that could jump way up on the list if they would be kind enough to invite us to visit them at home.

Please remember that we will be available for AP assessments at *Cascadian International 2010*. The AP work will be done separate from contest judging. You may bring your items for AP alone or for AP and contest, your choice. Hope to see you there.

If you have any questions about AP, please contact your Division AP Chair or me. We are here to help you to succeed.

Living PNR Master Model Railroaders

93 William Dippert
97 C. J. Riley
103 Robert J. Gardner
126 Gordon Varney
127 James H. Whaley
133 Dale Kraus
158 Bill Bell
214 William Tokaruk
269 Douglas Hole
270 Patrick Lawson
275 R. D. Uhlenkott
283 Clyde Queen Jr.
315 Max Maginness
325 Didrik Voss
331 Paul Scoles
337 David Woodrell
338 Jack Hamilton
406 Will Leeds
412 W. Gene Swanson
438 Edward Schaezner
445 Roger Nulton
448 Bob Parrish

Contact information for your PNR officials are always listed on "The Masthead," located on page 15 of this edition of the Switchlist.

Update Your Email Address Today!

Ed and Gay Liesse, PNR Office Managers

Is your email address correct? Many in the PNR membership data base are not. We recently became aware of this when the PNR mailing about the upcoming convention *Cascadian International 2010* got bounced because of bad email addresses. As we move toward fully electronic communication, the need for the keeping your email addresses up-to-date becomes imperative.

Here's what to do: **email us** at either eelesse@aol.com or glliesse@aol.com from your current email address and provide your full name and NMRA number, if possible. We'll update our database and the NMRA's database for you. It's so simple. Just email us today!

News

Northern Rails 2010

Mark Johnson

The Operations Special Interest Group, the Edmonton Model Railroad Association (EMRA), and the Sixth Division PNR NMRA will host *Northern Rails 2010* on November 27–28, 2010 in Edmonton, Alberta. The highlight of the event will be the operating sessions on the EMRA's Monashee Pacific, located at Fort Edmonton Park. Several home railways, including Mark Johnson's Alberta Great Western, Brian Stokes' Nelson and Fort Sheppard, Norman Skretting's Canadian National Clearwater Subdivision, and Ken King's Kootenay Western, will also host sessions. An early bird session will be held Friday evening, November 26, if there is sufficient interest.

In addition to the operating sessions, we will also have an operations clinic or two to start things off on Saturday morning and a no-host dinner Saturday evening. Space is limited, so please register early. If you wish to attend or want further info, please contact Cal Sexsmith, calvinsexsmith@sasktel.net, by October 31.



Calgary Bids for the 2014 National Convention

Rob Badmington

The idea took root at the Hartford National Convention last summer and gained momentum at *Northern Lights 2009*, last year's PNR Regional in Edmonton. Calgary had hosted *Railrodeo 79*, a successful convention over three decades ago; why not do it again? A core committee led by Mike Borkristl worked with Tourism Calgary and the NMRA's Meetings and Trade Show Department Manager Henry Jordan to develop a bid for *Rail Roundup 2014*.

The bid package was presented to the NMRA Board of Directors in Milwaukee in July. Following lengthy deliberations, the Board selected Cleveland to host the 2014 convention. The Board considered our bid a close second so we have been asked to submit a revised Calgary proposal to host the 2015 convention.

NMRA InfoNet News

Gerry Leone

Dave Thornton, 75th Anniversary Year Committee chair and current VP-Administration, announced that Diamond Club donations are approaching the \$70,000 mark — only \$5,000 short of the initial funding requirement of \$75,000. Scanning of photos for the Diamond Club project has already begun. See how the NMRA's photo archives will look by visiting this similar Santa Fe site: www.atsfry.com. The NMRA site is planned to be in beta by November and its initial opening will be in early 2011.

An anonymous benefactor has promised to donate \$250,000 toward the creation of a tribute to scale model railroading at the California State Railroad Museum. This donation represents approximately one-third of the funding needed, providing that the amount is matched by other fundraising efforts. None of the National Model Railroad Museum's exhibit costs will be funded by NMRA member dues or non-dues income. A mockup of the proposed exhibit is expected to be available for viewing at next year's national convention in Sacramento.

Paid registrations at the Milwaukee convention topped 1,600 and all 345 booths at the National Train Show were sold. Public attendance at the Train Show was down from past years, however.

The Board listened to final bids for the 2014 National Convention from representatives of Memphis, Cleveland, and Calgary. After intense deliberations and much discussion, Cleveland was selected as the convention city.

There were six candidates for the office of Vice President, vacated by Allen Pollock. Two of the candidates appeared at the Board meeting in person, and five of the six submitted written statements. All statements were read aloud at the meeting. The Board opted to divide the VP workload into two positions, and thus selected two of the candidates to fill those spots: Dave Thornton (former Central District Director) becomes Vice President of Administration, and Bill Kaufman becomes Vice President of Special Projects. The Board's decision for two VPs was based on the fact that a "multiple vice president" model is more in keeping with modern business practices, versus a "single vice president" model, which is based more on our political system. A new Central Director will be selected within the coming weeks to fill out Thornton's term, which expires in July 2011.

Division Reports

1st Division

Ed Schaezner, Superintendent

The summer is passing all too swiftly and not much has happened in southwestern Oregon. The plans for our fall mini-meet are gradually coming together. However, we are still looking for people willing to do a clinic. The mini-meet is scheduled for October 16, 2010, at the Corvallis Society of Model Engineers clubhouse. The club is about 5 miles north of Corvallis on Highway 99. The doors open at 8 AM for social hour with coffee and donuts. Regular activities commence at 9 AM. Gene Neville and Bill Howell are the hosts.

3rd Division

Terry A. Nelson, Superintendent

Last fall, we decided to buy a Rail Pass for each non-member at our Spring Meet. We had sixteen new members join. This has been a popular program for us. Our membership rose 28%! Hopefully, most of these new members will continue as members. This Rail Pass membership program will continue for now.

Our monthly mini-meets will continue but separated from the 3rd Division for now. The TNT model group is sponsoring the event on the fourth Saturday of each month at noon. The mini-meet is held at Idaho Pizza in Meridian, Idaho.

Our Fall Meet is September 25th at the Covenant Presbyterian Church located at 4848 N Five Mile Road in Boise. Five layouts are planned for the afternoon tours. The special model contest is a model not costing more than \$20 in today's money, but not a model that cost \$20 years ago.

4th Division

Dennis Hill, Superintendent

As summer starts to fade and signs of fall are all around, please remember that it is not over yet. Trains are still in season. Whether you are riding or chasing trains, the timing is still right. Plus, we have a Convention for you to attend. Meet old friends or make new ones, this is the place to be in September. But, time is growing short! Sign up today to attend the annual PNR Convention in Lynnwood, WA, September 16–18.

There will be clinics, contests, layouts and prototype tours plus the banquet. You really need to be there. It's open to all NMRA Members and their family members. Go to <http://www.4dpmr.org/CI2010.htm> and print out a registration form. Fill it out and send it with your check *now!*

We hope you will enjoy all the activities we have planned for you to see. We hope to see you there! In order to attend the Banquet on Saturday night, you must sign up before September 14th. Many of the tours are already full, or nearly so, at this date. But even with some activities full, there's still loads of train-related fun for everyone. Sign up now and don't miss CI2010. *It's not too late!*

Soon our railroading activities will shift into indoor mode. The season will arrive that allows us to build and create more railroad and rail-related projects because the yard will either cease to grow or be covered by winter's blanket. It's supposed to be a wet and cold winter so begin laying in your supplies and be ready when it arrives!

Please plan to attend the PNR Convention in Lynnwood next month. I hope to see you there. Happy Railroading!

5th Division

Shirley Sample, Superintendent

The 5th Division fall mini-meet will be held in Lewiston, ID from October 1–3, 2010. Wayne Walling has been planning a very full weekend for those attending. Details should be finalized in the next week or so and a flyer will be sent out to all 5th Division members. If anyone else would like to attend, please let me know and I'll be happy to send you a flyer. We will start with registration at 10AM Friday morning and continue from there. The motel that has given us the best rates is the Inn America, 702 21st Street, Lewiston, ID. Call them at 208-746-4600 and ask for the "PNR 5th Division block" of rooms. The rate is \$65 plus tax per night for either a king or 2 queens. This rate is good for reservations made up to September 15th.

We are hoping to do a visit to Moses Lake to see a couple of layouts in the near future and hoping to plan some layout tours and clinics in the Spokane area for the fall. I really would like to have a volunteer or two to help get this going!

The 100% clubs in the 5th Division continue to grow in membership. The River City Modelers group in Spokane has been busy working on their double-deck layout. Membership is open. They meet on Thursday nights at 1130 E. Sprague, Spokane. The Tri-City Model Railroaders have a new location and are busy designing a layout and hope to get started soon. The INSHOME modular group has 31 members and continues to meet on Friday nights at the old U-City Mall.

Remember the 2010 PNR Annual Convention *Cascadian International 2010* is scheduled for September 16-19 in Lynnwood, WA. Visit www.4dpnr.org/CI2010.htm for registration forms and more information.

The 6th Division will host next year's 2011 PNR Annual Convention. Depending on where it is held, the 5th Division may be asked to help. I will know more after the CI2010 convention in September.

If you are willing to be an officer of the 5th Division or would help out in any way, please let me know. We really need new people with new ideas – it is *your* organization and we need your input on what members would like to see happen within the division.

I would appreciate hearing from members. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact me at either shirley.sample@northwesternrailways.com, home 509-292-8332, cell 509-991-2317, work 800-366-6975 or US mail P. O. Box 314, Elk, WA 99009-0314. If you don't hear back from me in a reasonable amount of time, please try again.

7th Division

Gary Hazell, Superintendent

The 7th Division is doing well. The Spring Meet in Salmon Arm was an overwhelming success. Unfortunately the number of model railroaders was very low. There was only one person from the States and I am not sure where she was from. However, the raffles and product draws did very well and so we did well financially. One thing that made it a success was the Ladies' Program. They left shortly after 9 AM Saturday aboard a highway coach heading south, and visited a winery and cheese factory, had lunch at a neighbourhood pub before returning to have their own clinic, where they made an Easter broach. We also put together a 5x7 32-page-plus-cover program and timetable, all in colour. Its 25 ads helped us break even with the cost of the publication. I will have a few leftovers at *Cascade International 2010* in Lynnwood.

Railway Days was held in Revelstoke, BC August 13–15. This year was particularly special as they celebrated 125 years since the CPR was completed through the Rogers Pass, plus a 100-year memorial for the tragic colossal avalanche that killed 58 men in 1910. This was and still is the largest avalanche disaster in Canadian history. There were many Japanese and other families present for the memorial. Patrick Lawson MMR, and his wife Julie, were there; Patrick to present the Revelstoke Club with a scratchbuilt model of the Revelstoke railway station and Julie to participate in the roll call at the memorial as her great-grandfather was one of the men killed.

There are still a number of events happening: Railway Days in Kamloops on September 11; a Swap Meet in Blind Bay (near Sorrento) on September 18 (contact 250-675-2486 cliffe@telus.net), the annual Model Railway Show on September 26 in the Cedar Hill Recreation Centre in Victoria (contact Ted, 250-595-4070); and Chilliwack will hold its Mount Cheam Lions Club Model Railway and Hobby Show at Heritage Park October 16–17 (contact James Hill, 604-795-5046, qdee@telus.net); Trains 2010 will be held at the Cameron Recreation Centre November 12–13 (info at www.bctrains.org). The annual Trains Show is looking to move to a larger facility to enable them to grow with the hobby.

7D membership is holding well at 351. I hope to see a lot of you in Lynnwood!

Classified Ads

For Sale: Modelers Workbench, \$30 or trade for ????. 40" wide X 24" deep X 32" high. It's not pretty but it is functional. Plastic laminate top (Formica), light color, smooth, some wear and scratches. Six long drawers for tools and materials. Aluminum front edge. Rear fence to prevent tools and parts from falling off the back. Tilting top. Contact Ted Becker, rail.bird@att.net. Free delivery to *Cascadian International 2010*, or anywhere in Snohomish County, Seattle or to the Eastside Clinic.



Remember: classified ads in the Switchlist are available free to any NMR A member.

This, and all recent editions of the Switchlist, are available for free download in PDF format at pnr.nmra.org/switchlist.

NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

PACIFIC NORTHWEST REGION

2010 Bylaws Ballot

Instructions

1. Indicate with an X whether you are in favor of changing the PNR Bylaws or opposed.
2. Fill in your name and NMRA membership number. Sign the ballot.
3. Fold the ballot so the correct ballot chair for your country of residence shows.
4. Seal the ballot with tape. Leave no loose corners. Do not staple.
5. Affix proper postage and mail no later than September 15, 2010.

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In regards to the changes proposed by the PNR Board of Directors to Article III, Section 5 F (revise to delete existing item 4) concerning audits and add new item 7 regarding preparation and submission of IRS reports and Article III, Section 5A (revise by addition of new item 4) regarding audits and renumber remaining items, I am:

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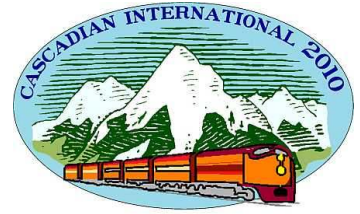
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Cascadian International 2010

Al Lowe / Photos by Rob Jones



It's not too late!

It's not too late for you to attend the *Cascadian International 2010* PNR Regional Convention, a convention you will not soon forget! The Fourth Division has worked for months preparing a jam-packed three days of celebration of model railroading. We're proud of our claim as the "Best Bang for Buck Convention Ever!" If you haven't visited 4dprn.org/CI2010.htm, do it now instead of reading this article!

The Embassy Suites Hotel in Lynnwood, WA is the place for you to be September 16–18. And **it's not too late** to register today for this great Convention.

- ◆ **Clinics:** Over 40 great presentations including seven MMRs (a very high percentage for a Region event). See a complete list at 4dprn.org/CI2010Clinics.htm.
- ◆ **Layout Tours:** See many amazing layouts in air-conditioned vans for a mere \$10. Plus an 8-hour layout *Super Tour* on Sunday includes lunch and a ride on a Washington State Ferry for only \$25! See a complete list at 4dprn.org/CI2010Layouts.htm.
- ◆ **Open Houses:** Visit on your way to and from the Convention (Wednesday and Sunday). 4dprn.org/CI2010OpenHouses.htm.
- ◆ **Operating Sessions:** Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings, plus Sunday afternoon. 4dprn.org/CI2010OpsSession.htm
- ◆ **Contest:** Bring your scratch-built and kit-built models and photos. A.P. judging available. 4dprn.org/CI2010Contest.htm
- ◆ **Prototype Tours:** See unique sights like inside the Boeing Factory, St. Gobain Glass, the Inter-urban Steam Plant and the NW Rail Museum. 4dprn.org/CI2010Prototype.htm
- ◆ **Swap Meet:** Held Wednesday evening at the hotel when you arrive, it's open to all. And *there's free ice cream!*
- ◆ **PNR Membership Meeting:** Friday morning. Meet our new PNR President, Walt Huston, who promises to keep it short and sweet and bad-joke-free!
- ◆ **Banquet:** Saturday evening's banquet features John White, speaking on "*The Inside Story of the Development of the Concrete Tie Market in North America.*" Only \$35. 4dprn.org/CI2010Banquet.htm
- ◆ **Points of Interest:** Family members will not be disappointed in the amazing opportunities available in the Seattle area. Just look at this list with several *weeks* worth of things to do; far more than your family will get done in only 3 days. 4dprn.org/CI2010POI.htm



And remember: registration for this great convention is only \$40 (banquet tickets extra). For more info see 4dprn.org/CI2010.htm.

It's not too late!

Go online, download the PDF registration form, complete it, and mail it and your check today. Take advantage of this great opportunity to increase your modeling skills while enjoying one of the great tourist areas of the Pacific Northwest!



Pacific Northwest Region Activities

To add your activities to the Switchlist Timetable or PNR web page contact the Timetable Editor, Mark Johnson at 780-436-2480, timetable@pnr.nmra.org

Aug 27-29, North Bend, WA

Pacific Northwest Milwaukee Road Modelers' Meet, Cedar River Watershed Education Center, 19901 Cedar Falls Rd SE (I-90 exit 32). Info:- www.milwelectric.org

Aug 28 (Sat), Edmonton, AB

Open operating session on the Monashee Pacific of the Edmonton Model Railroad Association, www.emraonline.ca. 7:00PM on. To confirm attendance, or for more info:- ulvestad@telus.net

Aug 28 (Sat), Beaverton, OR

West End Model Train Swap Meet, sponsored by the Tualatin Valley Model Railroad Club. Valley Catholic High School, 4275 SW 148th Ave., Beaverton, OR. Hours will be 10AM to 3PM. Admission will be \$4, under 12 admitted free. Vendor tables will be \$20 for the first table, \$15 per table after that. Info:- Jim Young, Show Chair, 503-643-1701, tvntrak@yahoo.com

Sep 8-24, Pendleton, OR

Portland Rose - Pendleton Roundup Centennial Special. UP Steam Info:- www.uprr.com/aboutup/excurs/steamtr.shtml

Sep 10-12, Caldwell, ID

Treasure Valley Train Expo. O'Conner Field House, 2207 Blaine, Caldwell. Noon to 8:00 P.M. Friday, 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM Saturday and 10:00 AM to 6:00 P.M. Sunday. Admission \$5.00 Children 12 and under Free. The event will include modular layouts, model contests, vendors and clinics. Clubs are encouraged to participate. Vendor tables are available. Info:-t Troy Dewey, 208-461-5028 treasurevalleytrainexpo@gmail.com 1509 Caldwell Blvd. #19, Nampa, Id. 83651

Sep 12-15, East Glacier Park, MT

Great Northern Historical Society Annual Convention Info:- www.gnrhs.org

Sep 16-18, Lynnwood, WA

Cascadian International, PNR 2010 Regional Convention. Embassy Suites hotel. Info:- www.4dprn.org/CI2010.htm, Rob Jones, Rob.MobileOne.Jones@gmail.com

Sep 18-19, Edmonton, AB

2010 Great Edmonton Model Train Show, 10 AM - 5 PM, Mayfield Trade Centre, 16615 - 109 Ave (Mayfield Road). 40,000 sq. ft. of layouts, displays, clinics, dealers and LEGO! Info:- www.mmrfa.ca

Sep 25 (Sat), Vancouver, WA

Southwest Washington Model Railroaders Open House. 10:00am to 4:00pm. We plan to be running many different types of HO gauge engines from the small logging area to the Big Boys on the main line. This event will be located at 8100 E. Mill Plain Blvd, Vancouver, Washington. This is one block east of Garrison Square, in the building behind Safe Harbor Nazarene Church, bordering the parking lot off 82nd Ave. Info:- www.swwamodelrailroaders.com

Sep 25 (Sat), Boise, ID

PNR 3rd Division Fall Meet, Covenant Presbyterian Church 4848 North Five Mile Road (McMillan and Five Mile). Coffee - Donuts - Conversation - Clinics - Displays - NMRA and Favorite Model Contest - Silent Auction - Afternoon Layout Tours. Registration: 8:00AM, events begin 9:00AM Admission \$8, \$7 for NMRA members. Info:- terrynelson8030@msn.com (208) 895-8030; pnr.nmra.org/3div/

Sep 25-26, Calgary, AB

24th Annual Railway Days. Two operating 0-6-0's, spike driving competition, and model railway exhibits. 1900 Heritage Dr. SW. Info: - (403) 268-8500, www.heritagepark.ca.

Sep 26 (Sun), Victoria, BC

Victoria's Annual Model Railway Show , 10 am - 4 pm; Operating Model Railroads, Popular Vote Contest, Commercial & Individual Sales & Displays Cedar Hill Recreation Center, Saanich, B.C. Free parking Admissions: Adults \$6, Family \$13, NMRA members \$5 Under 10 - Free when accompanied by an adult. Info:- Ted Alexis, 250-595-4070, m_talexis@shaw.ca

Oct 2 (Sat), Lynden, WA

Lynden Lions Club 26th Annual International Model Train Show, N.W. Washington Fair, Henry Jansen Ag Bldg. Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 10am-4pm. \$4.00 for seniors, \$5.00 for adults, \$3.50 for ages 6-12, \$15.00 for families, and children under 6 are free when accompanied by an adult. Info:- www.lyndentrainshow.com

Oct 2 (Sat), Vancouver, WA

37th Annual Great Train Swap Meet by the Southwest Washington Model Railroaders. 9:30am to 2:30pm, Hudson's Bay High School at 1206 E. Reserve Street, Vancouver, Washington. It is located just off the I-5 Bridge at Exit 1-C on Mill Plain Blvd (East). There will be an operating HO gauge layout of the Columbia Gorge and over 125 tables with vendors from all over the Northwest. Table space will be available at \$15.00 for a 6' table. Hugh free parking. Adults - \$5.00, Students - \$2.00 and children under 6 are free with paid adult. Info:- www.swwamodelrailroaders.com

Oct 3 (Sun), Edmonton, AB

Edmonton Model Railroad Association Open House, at the Freight Shed, Fort Edmonton Park, 10am-5pm. Info: - www.EMRAonline.ca.

Oct 10 (Sun), Spokane, WA

The Spokane Railroad Show, 9:30AM - 3:30PM at the Spokane Community College "LAIR" Student Activities Building. The campus is at Mission and Greene Streets, north of I-90 exit 283B. Adult admission is \$5, kids under 12 are free, \$1 for teens. Early admission after 9 is \$10. An 8 foot table is \$35. Vendors can setup Saturday 3PM-5PM; Sunday, starting at 7:30. Info:- Kevin 509-467-0597, 509-842-8079 or kozowski.amy@gmail.com

Oct 16-17, Chilliwack, BC

Mount Cheam Lions Club Model Railway & Hobby Show, Heritage Park, 44140 Luckakuck Way. Sat 9am-5pm. Sun 10am-4pm. Info: James Hill, (604) 824-1757, Fax: 604-795-5046, qdec@telus.net.

Oct 16 (Sat), Calgary, AB

31st Annual Boomer Auction, Sponsored by South Bank Short Lines, St Andrews Presbyterian Church, 703 Heritage Dr. SW, 10am, auction starts at noon. Info: - John Wrinch, (403) 281-5745, jawrinch@shaw.ca

Oct 17 (Sun), Calgary, AB

Calgary Model Railway Society, (CMRS), AGM and Fall Mini-Meet, Glenmore Inn, 2720 Glenmore Trail, SE. Info: - www.calgarymodelrailway.org.

Oct 23-24, Red Deer, AB

Red Deer Model Railroad show. Westerner Park in the Harvest Center 4847A 19th St. Red Deer. Sat: 10AM-5PM; Sun: 10AM-4PM. \$5.00 per person, children under 5 are free. Info:- Gord Sylvester, 403-986-3866, funtimeshobby@shaw.ca or www.funtimeshobby.com

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