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WCRA TURNTABLE

Russ Grycan, WCRA

FIRST CAR TURNED ON TURNTABLE
AN HISTORIC DAY

An historic day for WCRA occurred Wednesday, June 23 when the first car, the 1890 built CPR 16 British Columbia, was turned on the newly installed turntable and moved into track 2 of the new CN Roundhouse and Conference Centre. As the first piece ever acquired for the WCRA's collection, this was a most appropriate move to be



Business Car "British Columbia" on Turntable

made. An account of the move by CMO Russ Grycan with photos follows. Everyone is reminded that the grand opening of the new roundhouse will occur on June 30 at 11:30AM.



....Well a safe, historical move was made at the WCRA's West Coast Railway Heritage Park in Squamish, BC Wednesday. A group of professionals did their very best to position the 1890 vintage British Columbia Business Car through the turnouts, onto the new turntable and into Track # 2 of the CN Roundhouse and Conference Centre. The move was made under the direction of Conductor Roy Crowston and Engineer John Jellis. Lloyd Daniels (carman) and Randy Lucas offered guidance during the move as did Mike Lloyd. Andy Faris assisted with spotting # 2 during the move and watching the coupler joints, and with Mike of Duro, helped manually swing the turntable from the lead track position to Track 2. (took about 6 minutes - time will improve with electricity added!).

The process of bringing the car BC into the shop wasn't glamorous (forklift), but the results were spectacular, and a culmination of thousands of hours of work in fund-raising and construction.

Russ Grycan

West Coast Railway Heritage Park

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CP Wide Vision Caboose End Result by Rapido

All Aboard! Model trains created with Vectorworks

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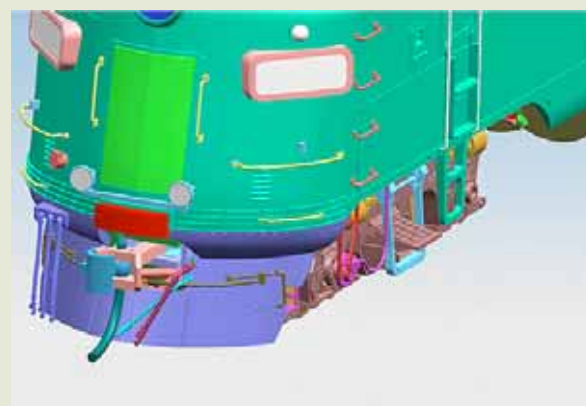
As a model train designer, he takes prototype drawings and photos from real railway manufacturers and turns them into models.

The prototype drawings he receives from [Rapido Trains Inc.](#) aren't always complete, as many of the models are based on prototypes from the 1950s and the plans are unavailable or have been lost. Also, the plans often need to be simplified because he builds a 1/87th scale model of each train. "We want the models to be as accurate as possible within the bounds of what is possible in 1/87th scale plastic," explains Patrick.

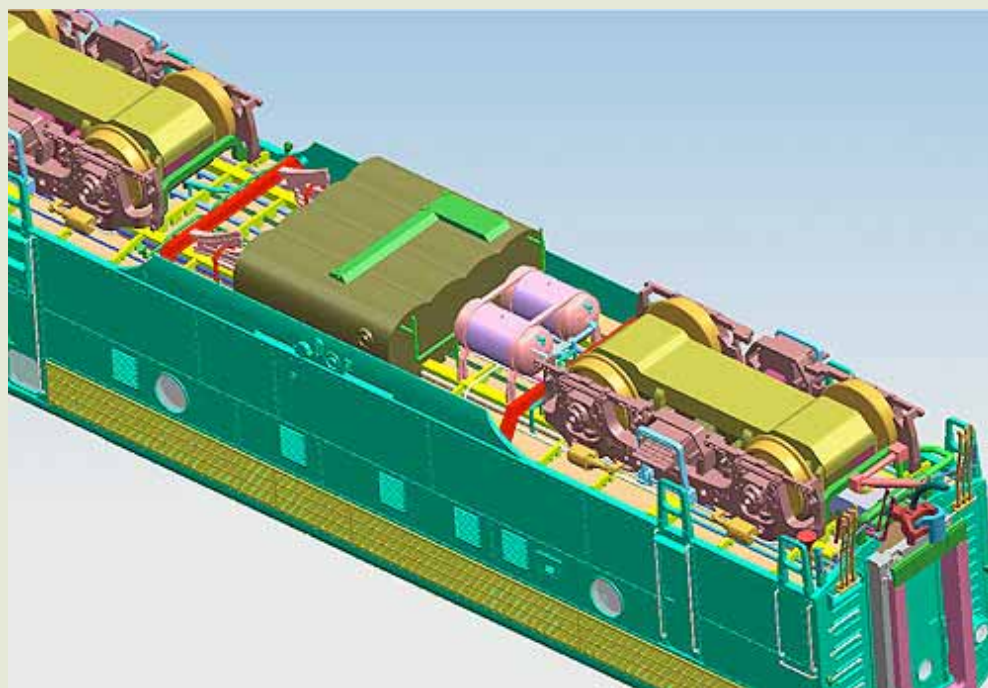
After he completes the drawings, they are sent to [Rapido Trains Inc.](#) where they are checked over for a final time before production begins. "The factory uses my drawings to make 3D drawings which are used to cut molds for all the injection molded plastic parts," states Patrick. "Then the parts are produced and checked for accuracy, and if approved, the models go into production and are assembled and painted in China, put into containers, and shipped back to be sold in the North American market."

Next time you see the amazing details in your model train, think of Patrick—our super model train designer!

Theresa Downs - Vectorworks



F-Unit Nose Detail



F-Unit Underbody Detail

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Timetable

2010 PNR Regional Convention

Cascadian International

September 16-18, 2010

Embassy Suites Hotel, Lynnwood, WA (12 mi. north of downtown Seattle)

[Register Now!](#)

Other Upcoming Events

2010

Jul 11-18, Milwaukee, WI

National Model Railroad Association 75th Anniversary Convention

Jul 14 (Wed), Spokane, WA

SP&S Historical Society Convention. Info:- www.spshs.org

Jul 14-17, Spokane, WA

Northern Pacific Railway Historical Association Annual Convention; Mirabeau Park

Hotel. Info:- m1amikea@gmail.com, www.nprha.org

Jul 17-18, Ilwaco, WA

The 7th Annual Clamshell Railroad Days celebrates the history of the IR&N Railroad-the only railroad that ran with the tides-that ran on the Long Beach Peninsula from 1889-1930. Co-sponsored with the Peninsula Model Railroad Club, it includes model railroad layouts from regional clubs, historical presentations, vendors and a bus tour. Info:-

columbiapacificheritagemuseum.org/news-events/clamshell-railroad-days

Jul 28-31, Boise, ID

Union Pacific Historical Society 26th National Convention Info:-

www.uphs.org/events/UPHS_2010_CONV.pdf

Aug 1-8, Tacoma, WA

26th Annual National Garden Railways Convention, hosted by the Puget Sound Garden Railway Society at the Greater Tacoma Convention & Trade Center Info:-

www.2010ngrc.com/">www.2010ngrc.com/

Aug 7-8, Rainier, OR

The LK&R Swap Meet Info:- lkrtrains.yolasite.com/

Aug 12-17, Revelstoke, BC

Railway Days 2010, Revelstoke Railway Museum. Info: - Jennifer Dunkerson, Executive Director, at 1-877-837-6060, director.railway@telus.net,

www.railwaydays.com.

Aug 14-15, Big Valley, AB

Alberta Free-mo 2010. An entire hockey rink filled with a modular layout! Info:-

www.calgaryfreemo.ca

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.4dpnr.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.mmrf.ab.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), 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 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 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, qdee@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

Nov 12-13, Burnaby, BC

TRAINS 2010, 27th Annual 7th Div Fall Meet, Cameron Recreation Center, 9523 Cameron St. Trains Meet Registrar, P.O. Box 52224, North Vancouver BC V7J 3V5, (604) 987-4237 (Registration ONLY), ras1@uniserve.com, Info:- www.bctrains.org.

Nov 13 (Sat), Kent, WA

Boeing Employees Model Railroad Club Annual Swap Meet Kent Commons 525 4th Ave. N Kent, Washington Saturday November 814, 2009 9:30am to 4:00pm Info:- swapmeet@bemrrc.com

Nov 13-14, Burnaby, BC

TRAINS 2010, Annual Public Show, Cameron Recreation Center, 9523 Cameron St. 10am-4pm. Info: - Trains RE: Public Show, P.O. Box 52224, North Vancouver BC V7J 3V5, trains2009@telus.net, www.bctrains.org.

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:- swapmeet@bemrrc.com

AP Corner**Russ Watson**

A big thank you to Dick Sutcliffe and Tom Carr for conducting an AP judging session at Kyle Gardiner's residence in May. Kyle earned Merit Awards for his scratchbuilt O scale CP caboose and snow plow and has now submitted his Statement Of Qualifications (SOQ) for the CARS Certificate. Congratulations Kyle!

The CARS certificate requires that the modeller earn 4 Merit Awards - by receiving at least 87 1/2 points during judging on each model - and have super detailed an additional 4 cars. There must be at least four different types of cars and four must be scratchbuilt.

Brian Clogg has submitted his SOQ for the Association Volunteer Certificate. Congratulations Brian!

Jack Hamilton, MMR, PNR Achievement Program Chairman, will present an AP Judging Clinic at TRAINS 2010 in Burnaby on Sunday, November 14th at 9:30 am. The clinic, "Achievement Program Assessment - Getting Qualified", is intended to fully acquaint members with reasonable experience as modellers, with the process and procedure for completing AP assessments (judging). Jack will discuss the general philosophy of the AP, the individual requirements for AP merit awards and AP certificates, and the tools available to make assessments more objective. Attendees will get about an hour of classroom exposure followed by a few hours of actual "hands on" assessment experience.

Attending the clinic will certainly help your modelling - regardless of whether you are participating in the AP or not. Additional info about Jack's clinic can be found at <http://www.bctrains.org> by following the "Clinics" link. I urge members to attend to help themselves and the 7th Div by being available to help judge.

Jack Hamilton is looking for a few models that have already been AP Judged to use in the clinic. Please contact Rob Kirkham rdkirkham@live.ca if you have a model that can be used.

In the mean time, if you're not really sure what the AP is all about, check out <http://www.nmra.org/education/achievement/> or give me a call, I'd be happy to chat about it with you.

Lastly, a reminder that you don't have to wait for a meet to happen to be able to have your AP work judged or evaluated, I can usually arrange to have that done between meets, please contact me.

Happy modelling!

NMRA Websites

7th Division <http://pnr.nmra.org/7div>
 PNR <http://pnr.nmra.org>
 NMRA <http://www.nmra.org>
 NMRA Canada <http://www.nmracanada.ca>

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 7th Division Video Library, c/o Don Gooch 604-272-1623 (Richmond)
 Email: dongooch@smartt.com
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Superintendent's Report

Gary Hazell

Now that all the dust has settled after Shuswap Rails 2010 we have been able to send out reimbursements to all the model railroad exhibitors that brought layouts and also a cheque to the 7th Div. that will be reported at Trains 2010.

I reported to the Executive and the Standing Committee that I have held the Membership chair since 1993 and will be looking for someone to take over this responsibility. There have been many changes since 1993, one of which is that the NMRA now sends the membership information in Excel (that was a learning curve). We have had a new office manager in the PNR since Steve Prevette moved east a couple of years ago and now Ed and Gay Liesse have taken over the responsibility and send out an extrapolated Excel spreadsheet of the 7th Div. This has certainly made it a lot easier as I used to get the whole PNR membership and had to pick out the 7th Div members. Also on our 7th Div Excel membership, I have it divided up into a number of sections; 1) members that are willing to receive their BB by email, 2) members that get their BB by mail, 3) NMRA & PNR executive members who also get it by email, 4) and lastly the few people in the NMRA that still have it mailed. Also in the main email group there are a few complimentary people that get our BB. This makes it much easier to send the email list to Eric our BB editor. I have also for years printed the envelopes for the mailed version. Email has certainly changed the way we do business in the 7th. It has cut our costs to distribute our BB and saves (for me in particular) all the travel we use to do to 7th Div Standing Committee meetings that were held once a month, normally in the Lower Mainland.

Email with all its benefits is now creating its own problems. Members do change their email addresses but let's face it, the 7th Div is not as important as family, friends and maybe the bank so you forget to notify the 7th Div or the NMRA. Also email mailboxes fill up and some of the email providers have limits. If you go over these limits they return your emails. There were 21 returned this month. I used to phone the members but now I have put in a system whereby the Standing Committee members are now sent not only the rejected email lists (all in Excel) but also the new members in their area. I am still looking for a SC member for the Bulkley Val-

ley to Prince Rupert area, the Thompson – Okanagan area and north of Prince George area.

Membership is holding strong at 352 members. 270 take the BB by email and 82 by mail. There are 19 family members, 8 complimentary and 26 NMRA/PNR people. The NMRA is presently at over 19,000 members.

C O M I N G T O V I C T O R I A

Victoria's Annual Model Railway Show

Sunday, September 26th
10 am - 4 pm

Cedar Hill Recreation Centre
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For More Information

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