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Photography in Model Railroading Ed Parsons



Trestle on the North Cariboo Railway
Russ Watson On30

Photo by Ed Parsons



Water Tower on Russ Watson's North Cariboo Railway

One of the primary ways we all get information on model and prototype information is through photography. Over the past few years one of the most reliable contributors to this publication is a member of the Salmon Arm Model Railway Association and its current president, Ed Parsons. Ed has sent in photos of train shows, club events and prototype happenings and I have been unable to use as many as I would often like. In this issue I have an opportunity to showcase a little more of Ed's work. His work has also been featured in a recent NMRA Canada calendar as one of twelve photographers. He also has experimented with image stacking to achieve exceptional depth of field in model railroad photographs, some of which are displayed on the Salmon Arm Model Railway website.

Ed is currently working on his new layout in On30 after tearing out his N scale work and changing scales. He also created and maintains the SAMRA website and Facebook page. I look forward to more of Ed's photography in the future. I hope it inspires others of you to submit your own photographs to share your experiences in the hobby.

-Editor



Canadian National EMD SD70M-2 #8844 at Juniper Beach



**Railfanning in Comfort at Juniper Beach
Tom Kilpatrick - SAMRA**



Roy Zschiedrich's Bear Creek Railway



Rocky Mountaineer at Juniper Beach

Timetable

Aug 9-11, Vancouver, WA

SP&S Historical Society Convention. Red Lion Hotel Vancouver at the Quay. Info:- Bruce Barney, bcbarney@msn.com; 503-257-8855.

Aug 16-19, Revelstoke, BC

Railway Days 2012, Revelstoke Railway Museum. Info: - Jennifer Dunkerson, Executive Director, at 1-877-837-6060, director.railway@telus.net, www.railwaymuseum.com.

Aug 17-19, Big Valley, AB

Alberta Free-mo 2012. An entire hockey rink filled with a modular layout! Info:- www.calgaryfreemo.ca

Aug 24-25, Toppenish, WA

13th annual Northern Pacific Railway Museum Railroad Show at the Toppenish depot on Asotin Avenue, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 26-27, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; admission to be announced; tables \$20. Info:- Larry Rice at (509) 930-7210, www.nprymuseum.org

Aug 25 (Sat), Edmonton, AB

Open operating session on the Monashee Pacific of the Edmonton Model Railroad Association, www.emraonline.ca. 7:00PM - 11PM. Session is *FULL* For more info:- ulvestad@telus.net

Aug 25 (Sat), Longview, WA

The Longview, Kelso and Rainier Model Railroad Club will display their layout in the Grand Ballroom of the Historic Monticello Hotel in the middle of the Squirrelfest activities from noon to 4:30 p.m. This is a FREE event! Info:- Patrick Kubin kubin@mediate.com 360-430-0302 www.lvsquirrelfest.com

Aug 25 (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. Hours will be 10AM to 3PM. Admission is \$5 adults, 12 & under admitted free with paid adult. Vendor tables are \$20 for the first table, \$15 for each additional table. Info:- Jerry Sheffield, tvntrak@gmail.com

Sep 8-9, La Conner, WA

18th Annual Northwest Logging Modelers Convention. Info:- Lloyd Lehrer 310-951-9097 (9 to 9 PST) loggingmodeler@gmail.com

Sep 12-15, Bellevue, WA

Seattle 2012: 32nd National Narrow Gauge Convention, Meydenbauer Convention Center. Info:- www.seattle2012.com

Sep 15-16, Edmonton, AB

2012 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/trainshow@mmrf.ab.ca

Sep 16 (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, 3220 Cedar Hill Road. Free parking. Info:- Ted Alexis, 250-595-4070, m_talexis@shaw.ca

Sep 16 (Sun), Missoula, MT

33rd Annual Train Show and Swap Meet, from 10 AM to 4 PM at the Big Sky High School, 3100 South Ave., West. Info:- MMRC Show, P.O. Box 2315, Missoula, MT 59806-2315 or call Mike or Elaine Brown at 406-543-6123, email: show@missoulamodelrail.org. Admission \$3 for adults, children and under free.

Sep 29 (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 29-30, Calgary, AB

26th Annual Railway Days. 9:30 - 5:00 Two operating 0-6-0's, the annual Train Pull, cab tours, model railway layouts and vendor booths. 1900 Heritage Dr. SW. Info: - (403) 268-8500, www.heritagepark.ca.

Oct 6-7, Sequim, WA

North Olympic Peninsula Railroaders Train Show and Swap Meet, Sequim Prairie Grange, 290 Macleay Rd, Sequim, WA.. 10 am to 4 pm Saturday and 10 am to 3 pm Sunday. Info:- Lauren Scrafford, (360) 379-3280. e78milrd@q.com

Oct 6-7, Lynden, WA

Lynden Lions Club 28th Annual International Model Train Show. Info:- www.lyndentrainshow.com

Oct 13-14, Chilliwack, BC

Mount Cheam Lions Club Model Railway & Hobby Show, Heritage Park, 44140 Luckakuck Way. Sat 9am-5pm. Sun 10am-4pm. Admission Prices TBA Info:- Don Carson, 604-847-0230, Amtrak375@hotmail.com

Oct 13 (Sat), Calgary, AB

32nd 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 13-14, Spokane, WA

River City Modelers open house, 1130 E. Sprague Ave. Saturday: 4 PM to 8 PM; Sunday: Noon to 4:00 PM. www.rivercitymodelers.org Info:- 509-535-3462 or via email RCMInfoNow@gmail.com or shirley@busnws.com.

Oct 13 (Sat), North Bend, WA

Milwaukee Modeler's Meet. 10:00 - 5:00 Models as well as presentations on model, prototype and historic Milwaukee Road operations. Location: Cedar River Watershed Education Center. Info:- www.milwelectric.org

Oct 13 (Sat), Vancouver, WA

Annual Swap Meet - 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. Info:- www.swwamodelrailroaders.com; Rik Simmons (360) 907-5353 simmondsrn2001@hotmail.com or Richard Renihan (360)892-3410, renihanr@yahoo.com

Oct 13 (Sat), Seattle, WA

Rails By The Bay 2012, Pacific Northwest Railroad Prototype Modelers meet. Info:- www.northwestrpm.com/RPM_Meet.html.

Oct 13-14, Idaho Falls, ID

Eagle Rock Railroad Historical Society Railshow 2012 Multiple Scale Model Railroads; Swap & Commercial Dealer Tables; 1-1/2" Scale Trains to ride! Idaho Falls Recreation Center, 520 Memorial Drive Sat: 9 am. - 5 pm. Sun: 10 am. - 2 pm. Info:- (208) 681-7383; errhsi@ida.net or www.ida.net/org/errhsi/

Oct 14 (Sun), Calgary, AB

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

Oct 14 (Sun), Edmonton, AB

Edmonton Model Railroad Association Open House, 10AM-5PM at the Freight Shed, Fort Edmonton Park, Free admission - please bring a non-perishable Food Bank donation! Info:- www.EMRAonline.ca.

Oct 14 (Sun), Spokane, WA

2012 Fall Spokane Model Train Show, sponsored by the Inland Northwest Rail Museum and River City Modelers. 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM, Spokane Fair & Expo Center, Ag Bldg. A & B; 404 N. Havana Street, Spokane, WA. Admission - 10 & under free; Ages 11-16 - \$3 and 17 & older - \$6. For table flyer or other information contact Shirley Sample, P.O. Box 3065, Spokane, WA 99220; 509-991-2317 or email shirley@busnws.com or Kevin Kozloski 509-703-0514.

Oct 20-21, Ravensdale, WA

15th Annual Maple Valley Operating Model Train Show, 10am-5pm. Gracie Hansen Community Center, 27132 Ravensdale Way. Suggested Donation: Adults \$5, Children (3-11) \$2. Info:- Steve Heister, (425) 432-8391 hies_skel@hotmail.com, www.greatermaplevallayareacouncil.org/events.html.

Oct 26-28, Edmonton, AB

Northern Rails 2012 OPSIG Operating weekend. Six or more operations-focussed home layouts, sessions on the EMRA's Monashee Pacific. Operation-specific clinics. Due to the limited space available, this event is invitational with spots being filled on a first come basis. Info:- www.3.telus.net/public/ulvestad/NorthernRails.html, calvinsexsmith@sasktel.net

Nov 24-25, Red Deer, AB

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

Nov 24 (Sat), Calgary, AB

Model Railroad Estate Auction - **CANCELLED**

Dec 1 (Sat), Edmonds, WA

Edmonds Amtrak Station & Swamp Creek Model Railroad Association Holiday

Open House. 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. 210 Railroad Ave (1/2 block south of Edmonds Ferry Terminal). Info:- www.scwrra.org

Dec 26 - Jan 1, Tacoma, WA

15th Annual Model Train Festival at the Washington State History Museum, 1911 Pacific Avenue in Tacoma. 10 am to 6 pm every day. Multiple modular layouts in N, HO, O, and G, Kitsap Live Steamers exhibition, Playmobil display, Operation Life-saver booth, train play areas for the little ones. Visit the largest permanent model train layout in WA state, built and operated by the Puget Sound Model Railroad Engineers (PSMRE) on the fifth floor. Enjoy the excellent history museum exhibits. Info:- www.wshs.org/wshm/ or call 253-272-3500. Museum entrance fees are \$8 / 7 / 6 for adults, seniors, student or military, respectively. Children 5 and under are free. 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

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Keith Watkin, Quesnel

Photo Ed Parsons

Superintendent's Report

Russ Watson



On the North Cariboo Railway

Russ Watson

Photo by Ed Parsons

I last chatted with 7th Div member Ron Keith at TRAINS 2011 in Burnaby, so I was deeply saddened to hear recently that Ron had passed away. I didn't know Ron well, however I had visited him and his home layout at least a couple of times during TRAINS Meet layout tours. I always enjoyed viewing his wonderful collection of about 213 plows that he had scratchbuilt. Ron and his wonderful modelling will certainly be missed in the 7th Division. Our most sincere condolences go out to Ron's family and friends.

I understand that Al Lill of North Vancouver has purchased a few of Ron's models and that other models have been sold. If you are interested in purchasing any of Ron's models, please contact me [<russwatson@me.com>](mailto:russwatson@me.com) or 250-992-3452. There is also an effort underway to have some of his models placed in various museums.

A very warm welcome to new members: Simon Cornwallace, Vancouver; Greg deCaux, Nanaimo; Jarett Dumas, Quesnel; Dave Gytton, Richmond; Rae-Anne Hendrickson, Quesnel; Jaden Hunter-Oglow, Castlegar and John Smith, Prince George. I hope you enjoy the 7th Division and please refer to our contacts page elsewhere in this issue to direct any questions or comments you may have, we would love to hear from you.

The best source of 7th Division information is our web site: [<http://pnr.nmra.org/7div/index.shtml>](http://pnr.nmra.org/7div/index.shtml) Greg Madsen continues to upgrade the site and I am sending him everything I can to make the site a one-stop-shop for 7th Division members. Please send Greg

anything you have about model railroad activity in your area and any suggestions for additional content that you would like to see online. [<gmdsen@ieee.org>](mailto:gmdsen@ieee.org)

I am pleased to report that the committee of our successful Spring Meet in Quesnel has sent a \$1000 cheque to our 7th Div treasurer Larry Sebelley. And once again thank you to everyone who helped make the meet a success, without you there would be no meet! We don't have a bid for a 2013 Spring Meet, however members in Revelstoke, Prince George and Salmon Arm are considering hosting a Spring Meet, so hopefully we will have one in 2014.

Our secretary Bob Leggett recently emailed the April 7th Spring Meet meeting minutes out to every 7th Div member who has provided us with an email address, rather than publish them in the BB. Although we have recently found a few email address typos - that have been corrected - if you did not receive the minutes it is because the address we have for you is not valid or your email program is not accepting email from Bob. If you suspect that the address we have for you is incorrect, please send our membership coordinator, Brian Clogg your current email address. And please set up your email program to accept email from Bob Leggett, Brian Clogg and Eric Reynard - their email addresses are on the 7th Div website at [<http://pnr.nmra.org/7div/AboutUs.shtml>](http://pnr.nmra.org/7div/AboutUs.shtml) I want to use email and our website as much as possible to send out timely information in an effort to keep you up to date. The minutes are also available on our web site and anyone requiring a hard copy can obtain one by request from Bob Leggett.

I attended the very enjoyable Nanaimo Show in April a week after our Spring meet where I caught up with a lot of folks that I hadn't seen in quite a while. I'm hoping that a report on the show will be published in this or a future BB. Thanks very much to Ken Rutherford and Rick Lord for once again doing a great job of putting on the show! And thanks once more to Dick Sutcliffe and Jack Maloney for setting up and manning our 7th Division booth. Which leads to another request for someone to take over the 7th Division Publicity Coordinator's position, please contact Dick Sutcliffe or me to chat about this very important function. "Coordinator" is the key word here, which indicates that one person doesn't have to do all of the work.

I attended my first PNR Board Of Directors meeting at Siskiyou Summit - the joint PNR/PVR convention in Medford Oregon in early May. The meeting was rather uneventful and was adjourned in under 2 hours. Rather than summarize the meeting here I will ask that you click on the PNR logo on the top right of our 7th Div website home page [<http://pnr.nmra.org/7div/index.shtml>](http://pnr.nmra.org/7div/index.shtml) where the minutes should be available. The convention was very successful with over 300 registrants including several 7th Div members. Our very own Mike Chandler gave a very enjoyable and humorous presentation at the banquet based on his long railway career at CN. Another highlight for me was two 2-hour op sessions on the Medford club layout, a very large layout that is only about 7 years old. It may

not have been a highlight for Dick Sutcliffe however, as he had to endure me as his engineer for one session and then as conductor for the next! I'm still working on those hand signals Dick. The next PNR Annual Convention will be held in Boise, Idaho, June 24-30, 2013. I am planning to attend Boise, which will be my first meet there. I have heard nothing but rave reviews about conventions they have hosted in the past so I am looking forward to it. Please keep an eye out for advertisements and consider attending, they are planning to have a train show during the convention.

Don Hillman has been the NMRA Canada office manager for over 7 years and has worked very hard putting in many hours on our behalf. Please read Don's resignation letter on our 7th Div website <<http://pnr.nmra.org/7div/index.shtml>> I have emailed Don on behalf of the 7th Div members thanking him for his exceptional efforts. The transition to a new office manager is well underway with a new snail mail address in place and the process should be complete by the time you read this.

Please fill out and mail the enclosed Election Ballot by August 15th. Results will be published in the Sep/Oct BB with the new terms taking effect December 1st.

The next 7th Div meet is the Victoria Model Railway Show, September 16th. Please see the ad in the BB. Ted Alexis and his crew always do a great job putting on a very enjoyable show. I'll be attending the National Narrow Gauge Convention in Seattle on the few days before the Victoria Show and will hop over to the Island to take in the show. I hope to see you there, perhaps at both meets?

I wish you all a very enjoyable summer, perhaps this is the year to start that garden railway you've always wanted to build?



Town of Monashee
Salmon Arm Model Railway

Photo by Ed Parsons

AP Corner

Russ Watson

Congratulations to Mike Chandler for qualifying for his CARS and MOTIVE POWER Certificates. Once Mike has received his certificates in the mail I look forward to processing his Master Model Railroader (MMR) application. Mike will join the elite company of four other modellers who reside in the 7th Division who hold the MMR tile. Please visit <http://www.nmra.org/education/achievement/mmr_list.html> for a complete list of MMRs.

No models were submitted for AP Assessment (judging) at the Nanaimo Spring Meet on April 15th. The next 7th Division meet offering AP Assessment will be the Victoria Model Railway Show on September 16th. Please bring out your models for assessment.

I know that many of you operate on model railways so why not log the hours that you put in and apply for the DISPATCHER Certificate? It would be an easy way to get into the AP or add to what you already have accomplished. The regulations state in part:

"Have participated in the operation of a model railroad, either home or club, for not less than fifty hours. A minimum of ten hours each must have been served in three of the five categories listed below, one of which must be #5, Dispatcher:

*Engineer (mainline freight, passenger, or way freight)
Yardmaster (or station master)
Hostler (or power desk)
Towerman (or traffic manager, or road master)
Dispatcher"*

You may read the complete requirements at <http://www.nmra.org/education/achievement/ap_dispatch.html#Yardmaster> or please contact me.

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 assessed, I can usually arrange to have that done between meets, please contact me.

Happy modelling!



Lumber Mill on SAMRA Layout

Photo Ed Parsons

VIA 6300**Andy Cassidy**

This was forwarded to me by Roy Kelleway -Editor

As you may be aware, last year the VIA 6300 (GMD FP9u) was donated by VIA to the British Columbia Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society. The locomotive was delivered to the Braid Street warehouse in the first week of September 2011 from the VIA Rail Vancouver Maintenance Centre.

The old girl was not operational at the time, and in fact had not run since it suffered a Main Generator Flashover on August 17th 2005. Being used prior as the shop switcher, VIA personnel had replaced the Main Gen., but the repair was never completed and it sat outside in the elements until it was delivered to the NRHS last year. The unit started life in March 1957 as CN 6524 and worked till March 1978 when it changed hands to the newly formed VIA Rail. She was VIA 6524 till December 1983 when her number was changed to VIA 6300 after being remanufactured and upgraded both Mechanically and Electrically. A major collision on February 8th 1986 near Hinton Alberta saw the front end of the 6300 destroyed. The cab of the unit was replaced with that from the Kansas City Southern 4062, an F7A. She re-entered service and was the last active FP9 on the VIA roster till September 2011 when it found its new home at the BC Chapter of the NRHS.

A handful of dedicated and talented people set out to make this locomotive the pride of the fleet! The remaining work from the previous Main Generator replacement was completed, and the unit had a thorough mechanical/electrical maintenance undertaking done. Then, on September 30th 2011 she was grudgingly awoken from her Six Year sleep, and after an initial throat clearing purred like a kitten. All systems were a go after a good thorough running check!

**VIA 6300****Photo Andy Cassidy****VIA 6300****Photo Andy Cassidy**

VIA 6300 Outside The NRHS BC Chapter Braid Warehouse, Mile 145.2, CN New Westminster Sub. (New Westminster, 2012-07-06, Andy Cassidy)

However, this was just a part of the process. Now that she is awake, it was time to get cleaned up and dressed. After toiling endlessly for months, the crew have taken off the old colours, repaired/replaced damaged carbody sections as required and given her a brand new outfit to wear. Decked out in Light Cream and Royal Blue, and accented with the reflective Red Maple Leaf, she emerged from the house to step into the morning sunlight of July 6th 2012 for her first showing. Skytrain commuters above looking down were no doubt oblivious to the history making moment before them.

She is now almost ready now for a new chapter in life fulfilling future endeavours of the NRHS in conjunction with VIA and others as opportunities arise. Her first anticipated public showing in conjunction with another premier event is slated for September 6th at the VIA Vancouver Maintenance Centre where she will be accompanied by a couple of the society's classic coaches. More info on this event will be forthcoming soon.

On a technical note, due to time constraints the sun was dead ahead and not at the best angle for good exposures on the side shots. Nonetheless, it looks pretty good if I do say so myself! The body work, paint job, and graphics done is outstanding.

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Victoria Model Railway Show

Hello Everyone:

I am writing this letter to all of our supporters over the last 22 years. We regret, due to our financial status in carrying on at this time, the executive has decided to cancel the 2012 Victoria Model Railway Show. We took great pride in producing a quality show over the many years. Today, we can not do shows that just break even anymore with rising costs and a declining interest locally in the hobby. We may be looking at a different format in future. All vendors that have paid, your cheque will be in the mail shortly.

At this time we would like to thank the NMRA and the 7th Division for all their support since day one when they floated us \$500 to do our first show at the Princess Mary Restaurant Ballroom. It was repaid the next day with a bonus cheque.

Thank-you
Ted Alexis, South Island Rep.