

# TRAX

September 2010

The Sudbury Model Railroaders Newsletter

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## Hot Cinders in My Shorts

### Viewpoint from the Editor

It's September once again. I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer. Now we can look forward to another model railroading season. There were not many club activities during the summer; however, some individuals did attend the Muskoka Train Show in August.

We have been hard at work planning this year's Sudbury Train and Hobby Show. We have decided to move the show back to the Howard Johnson location; however this year we only have the one set of conference rooms available, so space will be tight. Starting next year, we have booked both the conference rooms and the second hall for the show. The show will take place on November 6 and 7, 2010. We already have a hall full of vendors and layouts registered for the show. New this year will be a brand new modular layout by the North Bay Model Railroad Club.

We require lots of assistance from other club members to help us with the show. As in past years, some assistance is required to set up the hall on the Friday of the show. The next most important item is putting up signs around the city the week before the show. This has traditionally been the item that we do not get help with. We will be polling all club members this year to see who will be able to offer help with signs. If everyone helps out a bit then it will only require a couple hours commitment from each member.

In addition to planning this year's show, we have also discussed hosting a future National Model Railroad Association (NMRA) Regional Convention. Our local region, the Niagara Frontier Region (NFR) has been having problems finding groups to host upcoming conventions. We decided that it would be best if we had a couple years to plan, so after consultation with many club members we have placed a bid to hold the 2012 NFR convention in May 2012. This is going to require lots of help from all club members. There is a lot of work involved with hosting a convention, but it's worth the effort. We feel that we have lots to offer in Sudbury for a convention and it will provide local model railroaders with the opportunity to attend one of these conventions. Once we hear back from the NFR (after the fall board of directors meeting) we will provide more details of items that need to be planned next.

See everyone at the September meeting.

Trevor Ross  
Editor – TRAX Newsletter

# Club Car

## Local Club News

### September 2010 Meeting

Wayne Cowan has volunteered to host the May meeting on Tuesday September 14, 2010. To reach Wayne's house at 1232 Evergreen Court in Val Therese, drive North on Highway 69 through Val Caron, around the corner past the Pizza Hut towards Hanmer. Turn right (South) at the third street on the right from the Pizza Hut (St. Mary) and left (East) on the first street (Evergreen). Wayne is the first house on the left, on the corner. Wayne's phone number is 969-4955 if you get lost.

### Meeting Schedule

All meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. unless noted otherwise.

<u>Month</u>	<u>Host</u>	<u>Date</u>
September	Wayne Cowan	September 14, 2010
October		
November	Train Show	November 6,7, 2010
December		

If you are interested in hosting a meeting then please contact Mike Svos (566-5593) or Trevor Ross (983-9602).

Meeting co-ordinator:  
SNRC treasurer:

Mike Svos (566-5593)  
Garth Harris (969-8678)

## Trackside

When a Train was a Train and a Car was a Car (from Al Melanson)



## Trackside

Smoking like a Steam Engine (from Al Melanson)



Catastrophic Failure:

The train had just come out of the upper spiral tunnel eastbound when the turbocharger failed on one of their General Electric AC4400's.

It was said that the engine was stuck in throttle 8, and all the oil from the crank case was pouring out until the lubrication ran dry and the engine seized.

## Off the Rails

(from Al Melanson)

Head on CP wreck at the Water Street overpass in Galt, Ontario in May of 1956.



Derailment of UP ZMXYC-22 at Oakwood Texas (Yes they do it big in Texas!)



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