

Steam on the Prairies in Winnipeg, Manitoba

May 28th to 30th, 2010

Timetable of Events



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WELCOME TO CANADA

I STILL SAY THAT
PAUL'S OVERDOING
THE CONVENTION
PROMOTION!

TELL HIM YOURSELF!
HE'S IN THE
MOOSE OUTFIT!



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Committee

Convention Director	Paul Ullrich
No 1 Northern Division Superintendent	Ron Einarson
Registration	Sid Greenstone
Treasurer	Dennis Rietze
Secretary	Roger Kiendl
Clinic Programs	Paul Ullrich
Layout Tours	Ron Einarson
- Assistant	Fred Headon
- Assistant	John Longhurst
Your Barbeque Host	Bill Taylor & the AVR Crew
Host Facilities	Canadian Mennonite University
Publication Layout Design	Ron Einarson

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Convention Director's Message

Every year I've attended a TLR convention, people asked me the same question: "When can we have another TLR convention in Winnipeg?"

This happened often enough for me to realize that we have something very special in this city for model railroaders and railfans. Attractions like the AVR, the Prairie Dog Central, the railyards at Portage La Prairie that Winnipeggers have long taken for granted. But many others thought that they were worth taking a trip of hundreds, even thousands of kilometers to visit!

At the 2008 convention in Duluth, the TLR board asked me to organize a convention in Winnipeg. I had never done anything like that before, and no one who had run a model railroad convention in Winnipeg was interested in doing it again. The #1 Northern Division of the TLR, which was being kept alive solely by the heroic efforts of Ron Einarson, was in danger of being de-registered for lack of having a proper board. Then something wonderful happened. Once word got out that we might lose the #1 Northern Division, people came to the rescue. Three weeks after the 2008 convention, we had a full operating board who were committed to bringing a convention to Winnipeg in two years.

It was a lot of work putting together this convention, but the burden was greatly eased by several enthusiastic and energetic volunteers who wanted to make this happen. I'd like to thank the members of our organizing committee - Ron Einarson, Roger Kiendl, Dennis Rietze and Sid Greenstone for all of their efforts. I couldn't have done it without you!

Except for Ron, none of us had any experience organizing a convention before. But through many meetings, emails, phone calls and lunches at Subway, we were able to put together a convention that we're very proud of.

After our extra fare tours on Friday, our convention commences that evening with a barbecue and a night of riding the trains at the AVR, hosted by Bill Taylor. A review of the timetable in this booklet will reveal the fine presenters who will be holding many superb clinics on Saturday morning. Our photo and model contests will also be held on that day. Saturday afternoon will be spent riding the Prairie Dog Central, which will take us to our banquet at the Hitch 'N Post restaurant. After our AGM on Sunday morning, you'll have over 20 layouts to visit!

If you have any questions, just ask one of our committee members or convention volunteers. We'll be glad to help!

Happy railroading!
Paul Ullrich, Convention Director

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Contributions & Prizes

The Steam on the Prairies 2010 committee wishes to thank the following companies that donated prizes. It is through their very generous contributions that we have a wide selection of items to offer as prizes.

Manufacturers and retail stores thank you for attending our convention and have shown their appreciation by their donations. Please support them when you are shopping.

List of Prize Contributors

Athearn

**Canadian Railway Modeller
City of Winnipeg
CN Lines SIG**

**Atlas Model Railroad Company
Canadian National Railway**

CP Tracks

Design Preservation Models

Digitrax

Eastern Car Works

**Elmwood Hobby Works
Gooch's Hobby Shop
Fagan's Hobbies**

Hamilton Model Works

Hunterline

InterMountain Railway Company

Kadee Quality Products

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Pentax Publishing

Province of Manitoba

Roundhouse Products

Testors Airbrush

Toad Hall

Trains Unlimited, Tours

Walthers

Ware House Hobbies

Woodland Scenics

General Information

Registration

Your registration package consists of this convention Timetable, an envelope containing your receipt for pre-registration, a convention badge and tickets to the various events such as the Barbecue, the Banquet, the Prairie Dog Central, the Portage or Lower Fort Garry Tours (if applicable). We ask that you wear your convention badge at all times. It is your ticket to the contest and display rooms, clinic rooms and the layout tours. Your package also contains various manufacturer's information, some local hobby shop information and tourism information.

Timetable

This timetable contains all the information on the events and activities for the Steam on the Prairies. Included is detailed information on home layouts that will be open for viewing, a brief synopsis on each clinic that is offered and information on activities. If you are out railfanning, please adhere to 'no trespassing' signs - they are posted for a reason. Both CN and CP have an efficient police force and they will respond to train engineers calling in regarding trespassers. In some locations, security cameras are active 24 hrs a day.

Assistance & Information

Inquiries regarding dorm facilities, rooms and services should be directed to the CMU. Inquiries concerning the convention should be directed to one of the Convention Committee members or to the Registration table. The registration table will be set up near the front desk of the CMU on Friday morning 8:00 AM until about 17:00 PM. when it will be moved to the barbecue site until about 20:00 PM. It will again be open on Saturday morning until around 8:00 AM until Noon.

If you require transportation to and from events, don't hesitate to ask one of the 'locals' for a ride. Several members of the local clubs are attending the convention and will be only too happy to help.

Rooms

The payment of dorm rooms and/or extra meals is between yourself and the CMU or your choice of hotel.

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General Information

Contests

Check the Timetable for times that the contest rooms are open and closed for entries. The contest rooms will be open for viewing after the judging has taken place. There will be no admittance to the rooms while judging is in progress.

Clinics

You must show your convention badge for admission to the clinics. Clinicians should arrive at their clinic room 15 minutes prior to the start of their clinic for set up purposes. Those attending the clinics should arrive well enough in advance to be seated and ready by the clinic start time. Clinics will begin on time, according to the schedule printed in this Timetable.

Home Layout Tours

You must show your convention badge for admission to the home layout tours, including the three layouts within Gooch's Hobbies, the AVR and Selkirk Model Railway Assoc. Check the Timetable for times and locations. Please remember to respect the wishes of the layout owners - they have graciously opened their layouts for us to see.

VIA in Portage la Prairie, Manitoba...Ron Einarson photo.



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Convention Timetable

Friday

Registration	CMU Lobby	08:00 -17:00
Railfan Tour—Portage	CMU Lobby	08:30 -17:00
Non-rail Tour Lower Ft Garry	CMU Lobby	08:30 -17:00
Registration (Continuation)	Barbecue AVR	17:30 - 19:00
Barbecue Dinner	AVR	18:00 - 22:00
TLR Business Meeting	AVR	20:00 - 23:00

Saturday

Registration	CMU Lobby	08:00 - 11:00
Clinics	CMU 1st Floor	09:00 - 12:00
Model & Photo Contest	Entries— Room A01	08:00 - 09:30
Model & Photo Contest	Judging— Room A01	09:30 - 12:00
Model & Photo Contest	Viewing— Room A01	12:00 - 13:00
Facility Tour	Prairie Dog Central	14:00 - 16:00
Flea Market	Prairie Dog Central	14:00 - 16:00
Railfan ride	Prairie Dog Central	16:00 - 17:30
Banquet Dinner	Hitch 'n Post Restaurant	18:00 - 20:00
Return Railfan ride	Prairie Dog Central	20:00 - 21:30

Sunday

TLR General Meeting	First Floor	09:00 - 11:00
SIG Meetings (as needed)	First Floor	10:00 - 11:30
Layouts at Gooch's	See Pages 10-11 & Map	12:00 - 17:00
Layouts at Selkirk	See Pages 10-11 & Map	12:00 - 16:00
Operating at the AVR	See Pages 10-11 & Map	13:00 - 17:00
Layout Tours NE	See Pages 10-11 & Map	13:00 - 17:00
Layout Tours SW	See Pages 10-11 & Map	18:00 - 20:00

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Clinic / Meeting Timetable

Saturday

09:00 AM

Gerry Leone
John Longhurst
Al Lill

Photography
Landscaping using tree bark
CNR Division Points: yard layouts and structure,
switching and major features

10:00 AM

John Morris
Alex Campbell
Renay Leone / Paul Ullrich
Clark Kooning

Manitoba Flour Milling - Modeller's Perspective
Non-rail clinic on gardening.
Scratchbuilding Turnouts

11:00 AM

Ken Goslett

Al Lill / Ian Cranstone
Tommy Kucera

"Forty-Five Years of Change",
Canadian Railways since the end of steam.
Modelling CN company service cars
European stuff

Sunday

09:00 TLR General Meeting Room

10:00 CN SIG Meeting see Registration table

Tour Guidelines

In order to keep costs down, the convention is not providing busses for the tours houses. If you do not have your own means of transportation, just ask a fellow registrant for a ride or talk to someone on the committee and we will find you a ride. Because the tours are self guided, there could be a problem with crowding at the layouts and, accordingly, the following ground rules have been established to provide security for the host and so that all may enjoy the tours as much as possible:

With regard to the Sunday afternoon and evening layout tours:

- 1. Layouts will receive visitors only at the times specified**
- 2. Steam on the Prairies badges must be worn to gain entry to any layout**
- 3. Everyone visiting a layout must sign the guest book**
- 4. Do not take photographs without permission**
- 5. No Smoking**
- 6. Restrict your viewing to the layout; do not explore other parts of the host's house or yard**
- 7. Allow about 10-15 minutes for the visit and about 5-10 minutes travel time to the next layout.**
- 8. DO NOT TOUCH items on the layout.**

The tours have been designed to avoid extra driving. The Sunday afternoon tour covers the north, northeast and east of the city while the Sunday evening tour takes place in the west, southwest and south side. We have included a city map with the layout locations marked out to help in finding the various locations. Traffic should be no worse than moderate at these times of on a Sunday, at least moderate by our standards. Winnipeg is a fairly safe city and the neighborhoods where the layouts are located are low crime areas. Nevertheless, we recommend that you lock your car at all locations and do not leave tempting valuables, such as cameras or large bags of cash, in plain view.

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Layout Tours

Friday Night

Bill Taylor's Assiniboine Valley Railway 1.5" & Comox Creek, Myra & Gyprock HO

Sunday

1-5 Gooch's Hobbies DWP (N), Gateway Western (WMRC), WinNtrak (N)

1-5 North & East Group

Gino Kost	CB&Q in the 1960's & 1970's
Norm Leathers	CPR & Pennsy
Ron Loewen	Three Rail O Scale Pennsylvania In Fall Layout
John Longhurst	CP Rail Manitoba & Minnesota Subdivision
John Morris	CPR Point Du Bois Subdivision
George Myers	(O scale)
Louis Rodkin	Vintage Marx trains and accessories (O scale)
Lloyd Smith	Never Done Railway
Stafford Swain's	CNR Whiteshell Division layout

6-10 South & West Group

Alex Campbell	CPR Manitoba - Millwood Subdivision
Don Cooper	Cooper Valley Lines (N scale)
Allen Ferguson	CPR 1950 to 1960s
Fred Headon	CPR & SOO in the late 1950s
Don McKinnon	Malamute & Klondike Railroad
Karl Purchase	Newfoundland Railway / CN Newfoundland Division
Brian Schuff	CPR in eastern Ontario and Quebec
Robert Weaver	CNR prairie branchline typical of the mid 1950's (Proto48)

Out of Winnipeg

12-4 Selkirk Model Railway Assoc. HO, N (2), & O

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Thanks for coming

*We hope you all
had a great time
in Winnipeg.*