

Season #7: Kick-off May 4



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Exciting Season #7 Begins May 4

by John Sprung, Chair



2019 is our 7th operating season and the society's 18th year. Last year we carried around 4,500 passengers on the Sullivan excursion, a little less than the previous year. Some of this was due to weather related challenges (a wet start to May; very hot spells and then wildfires and lots of SMOKE) which meant that we were not alone in noticing that many people did not wish to spend much time outdoors or travel much for parts of the summer. We did see increases in some of our events, **Surrey's Doors Open** saw a large increase, **Hallowe'en** was good and the **Christmas Electric Express 1918** sold out. We also saw many people on the big opening weekend for the revamped Museum of Surrey.

We welcomed **Barb Ducharme** as our new Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator. She will 'reach out' to new volunteers throughout the year, and will be most visible at the annual Volunteer Fair in March when people can come in and see what we're all about.



A few roles have changed within the society. **Stephen Plant** has taken on the overall coordination of all (non-operations) volunteer scheduling. David King has taken on the role of Operations Manager, Communications Director **Ray Hudson** is retiring from the board (where he took on most of our media and other communications activities) to focus on how to retire properly. We realized that no one else can cover all the roles that Ray has done over the past twelve years so we now have a seven person Communications Committee, co-chaired by **Elizabeth Alkire** and **David Hobson**. They will deal with the various areas of internal and external communications. Ray said he will show up with his camera and guitar from time to time.

We have been directly affected by recent changes in local government. The new Mayor is an old friend. Doug McCallum was Mayor when the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission (SHAC) presented its feasibility studies to Council in 2000. Council then requested the formation of a non profit group to undertake development of the Heritage Rail project, and thus the Fraser Valley Heritage Railway Society was created. Recently we met with Mayor McCallum and briefed him on the progress we have made as well as the many changes which have been achieved since he last wore the chains of office. Our new **Council Liaison is Councillor Linda Annis**, who toured the Cloverdale Station, Discovery Center and rode on, and drove BCER 1304, the Connaught, in early March.



On the Federal side, a number of meetings with MPs Gordie Hogg (South Surrey – White Rock) and John Aldag (Cloverdale – Langley City) have provided new links to possible future assistance.

Council's decision not to proceed with the Light Rail Transit Project does not change our goal to eventually expand to Newton. We will meet with City Staff and Council later in the year to examine timing of our future plans. Then we will meet with our other partners, SRY Railink and BC Hydro to seek their approval.

Another event in this coming year is the seeding of the **Wildflower Meadow** at our campus at Cloverdale. This endeavour has become a part of a worldwide pollinator sustainability initiative.

Next year, along with the Honeybee Centre, we will introduce a demonstration bee hive. You can also expect to see a real live **Bee & Butterfly Hotel** on site this summer (see page 8).



Notable Events & Look Ahead



One of Ray Hudson's "new" ideas was to partner with the **Arts Council of Surrey** in an arts competition. The **Paint the Train (PTT)** event was so well received that the sponsors (Royal Bank of Canada, Buchanan Printing, Arts Council of Surrey and FVHRS) decided to make this an annual event. The 2019 PTT competition will be open to a wider area of the Fraser Valley. (details coming soon - see Page 12)

We hosted a special tour for eighty members of the annual **Great Northern Railway Historical Society (GNRHS)** as a side trip from their convention in Bellingham, WA. (see page 14)

The Cloverdale car barn is now officially named the **Frank Horne Heritage Rail Discovery Centre**, after the dedication event with Frank's family and many local dignitaries onsite. We will still use the informal nickname of "DC" but will proudly display the new signs with the official title and a warm greeting from old Frank from the cab of 1225. (see page 10)



Following our Halloween train weekend, Sten Christiansen and I attended the **Heritage Rail Alliance (HRA) fall conference** in Santa Fe, New Mexico. We learned a lot about how well the HRA is progressing. After returning to Cloverdale, we hosted the official book launch of **Iron Road West** by **Derek Hayes**. You have already seen some of Derek's work as one of the 'official' photographers for the Canada 150 Connaught launch and move of BCER 1231 to Cloverdale. This was his 18th book published and the third focused on railways.

Our **Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner** rounded out the November events with another great dinner. We certainly would not be able to accomplish so much each year without your support and ongoing dedication to bring Surrey's Heritage Rail experience to life. (see Page 4)

Coming in our Seventh operating season in 2019...

- The addition of the Connaught, BCER 1304, to regular operations affords the opportunity to ride on our two operating Interurbans, and get up close and personal with the other two cars, 1231 (which is undergoing restoration now) and 1207 (currently our Discovery Centre Tour theatre) which will be the last car to be restored due to the significant amount of work it will require.
- During the season, we will have a film crew on site filming a documentary on both the BCER and our society, for the **Knowledge Network (KN)**. The work will be aired on the KN over several seasons.
- In September, the **Heritage Rail Alliance (HRA)** fall convention will be at the **WCRA Heritage Park** in Squamish. They will visit us on a pre-conference tour on a Wednesday morning, have lunch, then view the SkyTrain control center and shops, finishing with Skytrain to Waterfront station and Seabus to North Vancouver to bus back to Squamish for the opening reception. See **Sten or John** for information on the conference.
- There will be ongoing improvements to the SHR operations and more activity to **increase the local awareness** of who we are, what we do and where we are. In many ways we are still one of the best-kept secrets in the region; we need to change that.
- Our efforts to build international awareness are now starting to bloom, with cruise ship visitors expected as we are marketing our attraction, with the **Museum of Surrey** and others to develop **Cloverdale** as a Destination.
- We will be introducing ourselves to the new **Surrey Council**, and working to further strengthen our relations with our partners, **SRV Railink** and **BC Hydro**, showing them what we have achieved and discussing our plans for our on-going growth and success in the future.
- Of course we will again host our **Halloween** and a **Electric Express** events to round out the year.

One benefit of **FVHRS membership** is your **Annual Pass**. Be sure to visit the Cloverdale Station and the DC over the season. There's always something NEW going on - you need to check it out. Come and **DISCOVER** the fun and excitement to be had at **Surrey's Heritage Rail**.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner 2018



The Society Chair, John Sprung, was the Master of Ceremonies for the evening which was the third year that the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner was held at the Hazelmere Golf Club.



Cassie Gibeau, Bob and Elizabeth Alkire and Andrew Delebaere prepare the gift bags for the volunteers.



Our music was provided by the **Sm:)leBand**: Nikita Anselene, Veroncia Amores and Avery Amores. Delightfully entertaining!



Stephanie Cadieux
 MLA Surrey Panorama



Mrs. and Ron Madsen, President, RDM Enterprises and
 Al Schroeder, Manager, Pacific Region, PNR Railworks



Deborah Salh, from
 MP Gordie Hogg's office

Outstanding Volunteer Awards 2018



Old Coot (Taylor)



Bob Storey, Larry Perkins



Stephen Plant



Terry Nichols



Ray Crowther



Aaron Lau



Allen Aubert



Liz Aubert



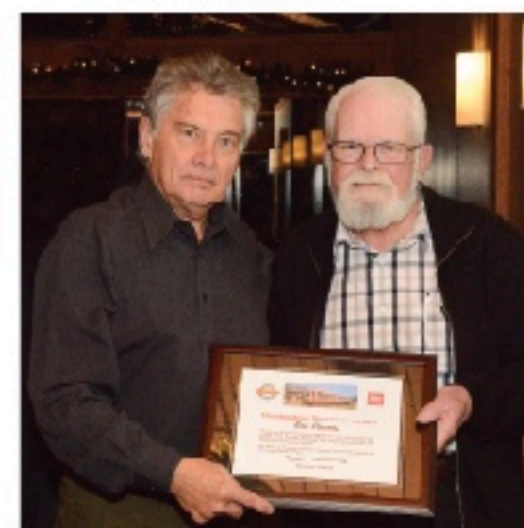
Lorna Bruce



Bob Brown

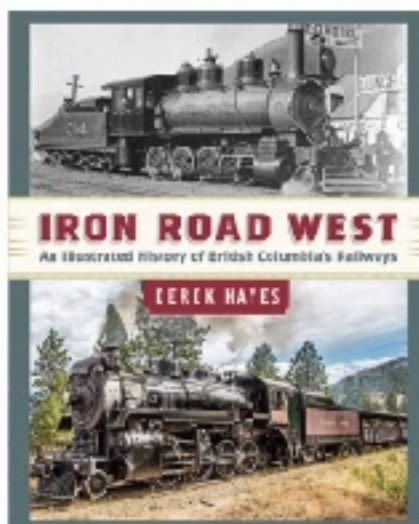


Kim Price



Ron Powers

Want to nominate someone? Send a note to Barb Ducharme or Ray Crowther

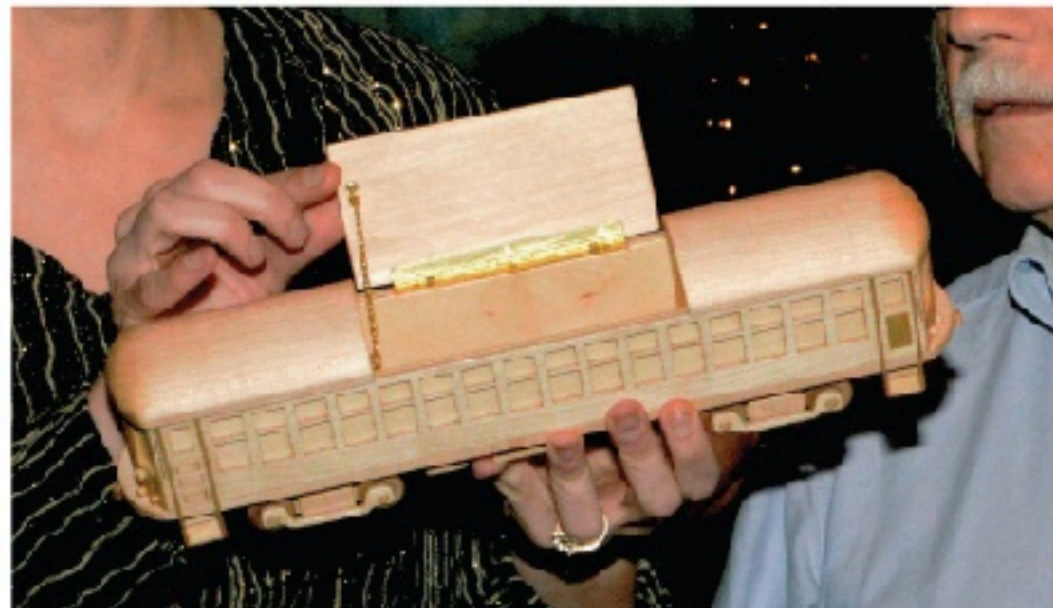


John Sprung says "Thanks" for your strong, ongoing support as friends and Corporate Sponsors: Al Schroeder, PNR Railworks and Ron Madsen, RDM Enterprises with a copy of "Iron Road West" by Derek Hayes.

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner 2018

Ticket-Taker's Ticket Stub-Box Built By Harry (the Old Coot) Taylor

After Harry Taylor had finished presenting the awards, he called Dolores Sleutel and Russell Newcombe, and along with Elizabeth Alkire who was at the podium, unveiled a new wooden ticket stub collection box, an Interurban car modelled after 1225.



Harry brings many skills to our Heritage Rail. The contributions from his amazing woodworking talents include the "much loved and used" velocipede.

"I enjoyed doing it," he said in an interview for the Interurban Insights. The careful planning and execution took about six months, although he says it didn't entail every day of that time. "There was a lot of design work first. I wanted to be sure it would survive years of use, therefore planning was focused on how and where it would be used." adding he knew it would be banged around a bit. A beautiful piece of work indeed!

Photos at left show Russell Newcombe and Dolores Sleutel placing, *with great drama*, the first ticket stubs into the Interurban Ticket Stub-Box.



Moments from the 2018 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner



David Hobson



Bill Robinson, Larry Perkins & Doreen Anderson



Michael Gibbs



Andrew Newey



Russell Newcombe



Virginia (left) & Stephen Plant



Jasmine and her Mum



Ellen Edwards

more attendees photos on page 23



Honey Bee/Wildflower Meadow Project



Cassie Gibeau and Peter Finch brought the audience up to speed with the wildflower meadow project

The Community Bee Garden Project was started in 2016 by the Honey Bee Centre, and is intended to bring honeybees and native pollinators to every corner of Surrey in order to inspire, educate and connect the community. The goal is to add three or more new bee garden plots on private and public lands annually, to provide habitats for honeybees, mason bees, bumble bees and other indigenous bees as well as showcasing pollinator friendly forage. The project aims to enhance our natural ecology, while supporting pollinators, who are a critical and endangered part of our eco-system.

Wildflower meadows were once common in the UK, but have mostly been lost due to agricultural intensification since the 1940's. Although these habitats have been lost forever, existing grassland can be managed to improve its species diversity and new wildflower areas, which have much in common with traditional meadows, can be created.

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Cassie Gibeau is an owner and the Education, Events & Outreach Coordinator at Honeybee Centre in Surrey, BC. She is on a mission to educate and inspire people to help the bees, their flowers, and our food.

Peter Finch is a director of the FVHRS, Motorman, and expert in pollinators (including bees) and their habitats. "I was mentored by Master Bee Keeper Brian Campbell. an amazing teacher and advocate for pollinators, bee-scaping and seed mixing."

The FVHRS Wildflower Meadow Progression:



June 10: new topsoil laid down



July 15: first seeded grass appears



July 20: Inch by inch.....



July 29: first flowers sprout



August 12 first white flowers show



August 22: bloom is underway

Honey Bee/Wildflower Meadow Project



1225 enters the meadow through a riot of colour



Contrasting meadow with the Discovery Centre



'Buzz-Inn Pollinator Bee Hotel' built by Harry Taylor

Honey Bee/Wildflower Meadow Project



Late autumn sunrise in the wildflower meadow



Through the chain link



Spectacular poppy



Calico colour



Bumble bee celebrating the September flowers, then



Buzzes off.

Frank Horne Heritage Rail Discovery Centre

Dedication June 30, 2018



Frank Horne Memorial Heritage Rail Discovery Centre

Interurban Restoration Shops ♦ BC Electric Railway History Tour ♦ Speeder & Velocipede Rides

Frank Horne apprenticed as a moulder in a casting plant, planning to join the Canadian Navy during WWII. But his skill was deemed too important to the war effort and he was unable to go.

In 1946, like his dad, he became a BC Electric Railway motorman. He loved the responsibility of driving the train, he loved the uniform, and he loved not having to deal with tickets, cash or passengers as a conductor. The pay was pretty nice too!

Frank drove the Burnaby Lake line (Vancouver to Sapperton) and freight trains on the Chilliwack line, often staying overnight in the bunkhouse, with an early run back to Vancouver.

In 1951, Frank continued his career with the Great Northern Railway on the Vancouver to Seattle run. He retired after 31 years.

Frank then turned to the FVHRS, promoting the society, resplendent in his uniform. He enjoyed talking with the public at the Open House events at Sullivan. During the week he would work on the restoration of Car 1225.

Frank was anticipating driving Car 1225 again as its completion neared. Sadly, he passed away December 5, 2012, at the age of 90. We launched our heritage rail service the following June.

He is still with us every weekend, as he and Motorman Vic Sharman are the commentators on the "Chilliwack Run" video which plays in our museum.

With the Discovery Centre dedication, Frank will remain a major part of the spirit of Surrey's Heritage Rail.



FVHRS Chair John Sprung watches as Frank Horne's daughter, Lynda Schiebler and her son, Frank's grandson, Scott Schiebler unveils the new Discovery Centre banner.



Scott Schiebler, a manager with SRY Railink, the successor to the BC Electric Railway, talks about the meaning of this recognition.



Frank Horne Memorial Heritage Rail Discovery Centre

Interurban Restoration Shops ♦ BC Electric Railway History Tour ♦ Speeder & Velocipede Rides



Frank Horne



MLA Marvin Hunt, Kristine Goselin, Lynda and Scott Scheibler, Hon. Jinny Sims MLA, MP Gordie Hogg, Cllr. Dave Woods, MP John Aldag, Chair John Sprung. Above the Family of Frank Horne.



Posing with Frank's BCER uniform, first the boys, then the girls



Video in 1207 Theatre



Cutting Frank's cake



Velocipede time!



Speeder ride of course

Discover the Fun Experience

**Ride
SURREY'S
Heritage
Rail** **Frank Horne
Heritage Rail
Discovery Centre**



Ride the Speeder

Experience
the Velocipede



Amazing history



Amazing artifacts



Toot the Whistle!



Ring the Bell



Experience Discover Have Fun!

Paint The Train

Congratulations to all the artists who entered our first Paint the Train Competition. There were many high quality submissions as evidenced by the nine Honourable Mention awards.

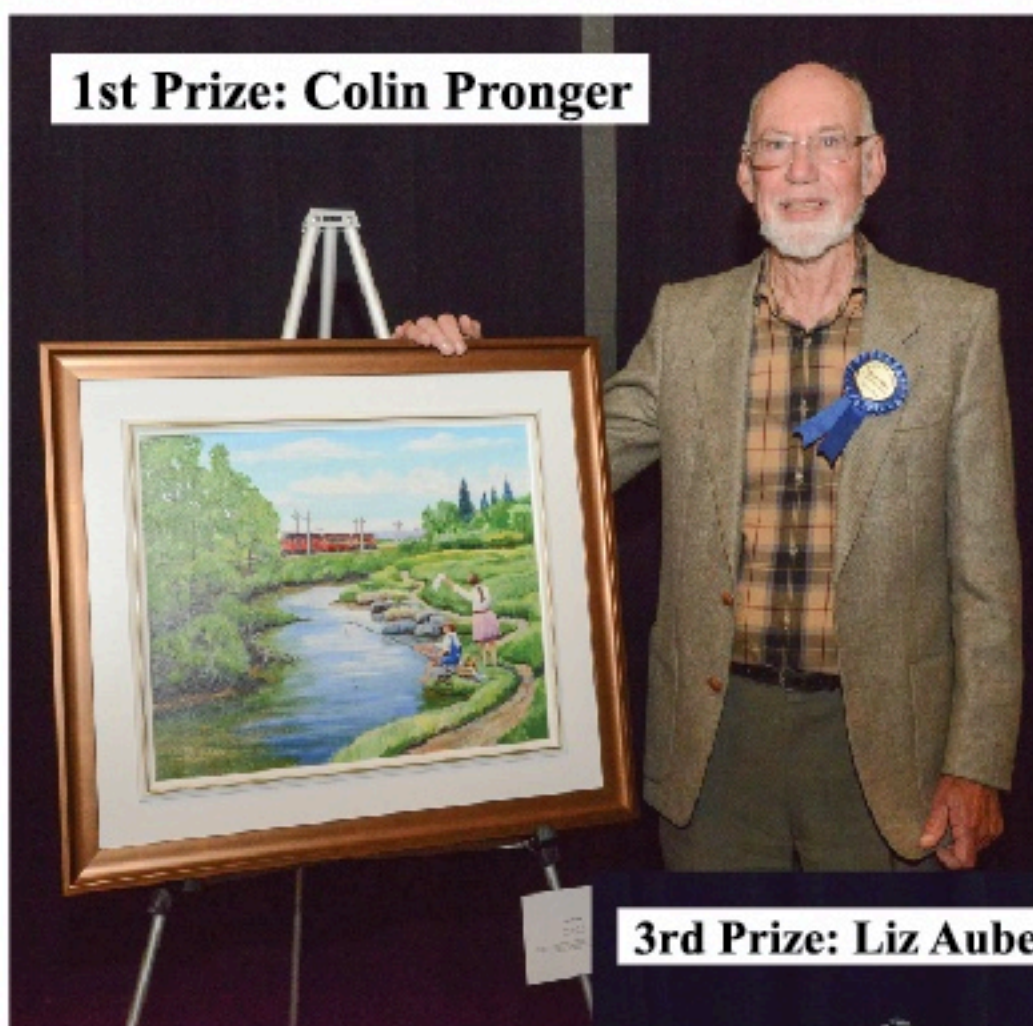
The competition theme is the historic BC Electric Railway which operated interurban electric trains across the lower mainland from Vancouver to Steveston, Marpole, Burnaby and New Westminster, as well as interurbans daily from Vancouver to Chilliwack.

Now Surrey's Heritage Rail operates two fully restored interurban cars, 1225 and 1304, with excursions from Cloverdale to Sullivan, return, from May through September.

The competition was designed to raise awareness of the historic interurban era, which defined our community and now offers a journey back through time, to those formative years. Submissions could relate to the Interurban trains, the tracks, stations, environs, the people - crews and passengers - both today and historically, using any medium. A second annual competition begins later in the spring. Watch for announcements from the Arts Council of Surrey and get on board with Paint the Train - Version 2.0.



1st Prize: Colin Pronger



2nd Prize: Jun Zhao



3rd Prize: Liz Aubert



And the Award Winners are...



Left to right: Paul Bassan, RBC Sponsor, Carol Giardi, President, Arts Council of Surrey, Marvin Hunt, MLA Cloverdale, Colin Pronger, 1st Prize, Lyn Verra-Lay, Honourable Mention (HM), Jenny Lewis HM, Chiao Chiao Yang HM, Sarah Powers HM, Joanne Dennis HM, Jeff Turner, RBC Sponsor, Brian Leong, Cloverdale Chamber of Commerce President, Yvette Lauer HM, John Sprung, Chair FVHRS, Councillor Dave Woods, Front row from left, Liz Aubert 3rd Prize, Jun Zhao 2nd Prize, Polly Faminow HM and Ryan Broderick HM. William Fong HM, missing from photo.



Winners art was displayed in five venues around Cloverdale, at the Chamber of Commerce lunch at Elements Casino (top); at the Royal Bank in Cloverdale, Allen Aubert with branch manager Jason Rosen; at the Surrey Archives office, thanks to Heritage Administration Manager, Ryan Gallagher; at the Honeybee Centre's Beestro, thanks Andrew Delbaeare; at Surrey's Heritage Rail Cloverdale station; and the main street office (176th Avenue) of the Cloverdale Chamber of Commerce office.



Reception was at the Newton Cultural Centre Paul Bassan, RBC Regional VP, Surrey Delta, Jeff Turner RBC Fleetwood



We hosted a special tour for the annual Great Northern Railway Historical Society (GNRHS) from their convention in Bellingham, WA. Over 80 GNRHS railfans came across the border to see the sights of the GNR in the area: White Rock station, 176 St right-of-way and locations where the GNR stations (there were two – on the two different lines) in Cloverdale.

Did you know that the Seattle-Vancouver (well Brownsville) line went right past the western doors of the Discovery Center (DC). FVHRS Historian-in-Residence, Henry Ewert, provided many interesting talks during the tour, ride on the BCER 1304 and at lunch at the Discovery Centre, as well as enjoying the many attractions offered at the SHR.



Welcome aboard on a beautiful day



Henry Ewert sets the historical scene



1304 ready to take everyone for a ride



They enjoyed 1304's interior during their ride. Next a video in the BCER 1207 Theatre, then a visit to the history wall.



Outside they checked out the gear, the speeder attraction pulled by an old "Arnold" and then a "hands-on" velocipede ride.

Jocelyn Wang Reporting ...



而她們最大的抱怨就是

Ray Hudson

You can see the video on our website
fvhrs.org and select "Blog" or
<https://fvhrs.org/media-visit-fairchild-tv/>



Reporter Jocelyn Wang prepares her "stand-up" in front of Car 1304



Ray Crowther & Bob Storey talk about the work of Bob and Larry Perkins



John Sprung, Jocelyn and Allen Aubert



Roger Crick explains laying the new floor, Ray C. explains the new Speeder,



John Sprung talks about the society



Terry Nichols, teaches Jocelyn how to drive concentrate



She's got it.....**PIECE OF CAKE!**



Fire? What fire?



I was born
under a
wand'rin star



Bewitched Bothered and Bewildered



Happy and the Gang!



Oh yah? Well
I dare ya to
say that again!



FLYING TOO LOW!



Thar be treasure here me hearties!



I'm too cool
for my wig



Muggle
at work



From all of us, a very scarey Hallowe'en to all of you!

The Electric Express

2018 saw the third annual history excursion aboard BCER 1225 which told the story of Christmas 100 years ago. In our story the war is over and troops are returning to a world well-removed from the war, to pick up or re-establish their lives and careers. The world, and life, goes on.

Stephen Plant created and produced an historic play which unfolds as our riders travel along the same track that was in use 100 years ago when **Lt. Robert Hill Hanna** came home to Aldergrove, from the war. That was Christmas 1918, the Interurban tram was BCER 1304.

Hanna is an Irish immigrant who joined the Canadian army in November 1914, serving as a member of the Connaught's Own Rifles out of Vancouver. In 1917 while capturing Hill 70, he showed incredible acts of heroism, saving many Canadian lives. As a result, he was called to Buckingham Palace, and awarded the highest military honour, the Victoria Cross, by King George V.



Lt. Robert Hanna VC
December 1917



Portrayed by
Alan Cumberlidge



Francis Ellwood
April 1918



Portrayed by
Ellen Edwards

Over 2,500 Canadian nurses went overseas to become "the angels of mercy". One of them was **Francis Ellwood**, a 29 year old nurse, enlisted May 5, 1915.

She was immediately sent to the battlefields in North Africa where she worked in a front line tent hospital. Her small group of nurses showed great courage and heroism under direct fire. While their hospital was being evacuated, a group of them stayed behind to care for the wounded who could not be moved.

On April 18, 1918 before returning home, Francis and her small group of nurses were awarded the "Royal Red Cross Medal" by King George V. She returned to Ontario, married and raised a family. She lived to 84.



David Hobson narrator, Stephen Plant Producer, Nursing Sister Francis Ellwood



Lt. Robert Hanna



The Interurban Playhouse



The reborn Mr. Scrooge (Arvid Westberg)



Tiny Tim (Dolores Sleutel)

now, on to the North Pole

A Visit to the North Pole

The Christmas spirit continues as our Electric Express takes a different direction, to visit the North Pole, where Father Christmas (St. Nicholas) and his many elves make Christmas dreams come true in their workshop.



The Electric Express arrives at the Pole



1207 is all ready for the Christmas visitors



St. Nicholas' study



Barb Ducharme and Bill Robinson as St. Nicholas and his elf meet a young man



Everybody loves a teddy bear hug



Ron Powers and Malika Boparai (elves) at the workbench.



Jim, Barb, Ron, Grace and Jerry



Model Railway layout, a must for Christmas



Malika Elf at the toy bench

Fun at the Cloverdale Station



Music with Lana Panko



Elves (Jasmine & Malika)



Barb, Liz, Grace and Stephen



The visitors enjoyed the dancing deer



Allen and some seasonal crooning! Lorna, Ellen and Heather, rehearsal run



Doreen, Diane, Dolores, Lorna and Liz



Ray Crowther



Heather, Virginia and Michael



Jasmine Gill



Michael and Berta



Harry enthralled all with his dancers



Terry, Sten, Don, Harry and Jim



Electric Express all ready to go



So, apparently, is David!

2018 Annual General Meeting



Chair John Sprung



Treasurer Stephen Plant



Secretary Allen Aubert



Venue donated by Arbour Memorial, thanks to Director Shane Suter.

2018 Clovie Awarded to FVHRS Not for Profit Category



Terry & Helen Nichols, John Sprung and Virginia Plant



Sten Christensen, Ray Crowther



John accepts the award

School Tours Huge Success!



Ray Crowther



The **School Tour idea** began with one event in the early years of the society. In 2015 Ray Crowther, Vice-Chair of the Heritage Rail responded to a request for a tour, and a new program was developed. This time the tour included a **train safety video**, a **ride on the big train, 1225**, a visit to the highly interactive **Discovery Centre**, with bells to ring, whistles to blow, a velocipede to ride. **It was a hit!**

The program has grown and continues to evolve.

A Strong Start class in 2015 started it all off:

2016: 4 groups with 67 participants

2017: 10 groups with 169 participants

2018: 14 tour groups and 394 participants

2019: In the first two months 2 groups, 63 participants

Ray reports that there is currently another booked for May and there are many inquiries with no dates at this point.

The tours are **fun for the kids**, fun for the **teachers**, **parents** and our volunteers love the interaction with the kids. So....

Tell your kid's parents, schools, PACs about the amazing and fun learning experience that's easy to access and low cost. This is a great way to experience being railroaded!

Doors Open! Explore Surrey's 100 year-old Electric Railway for free



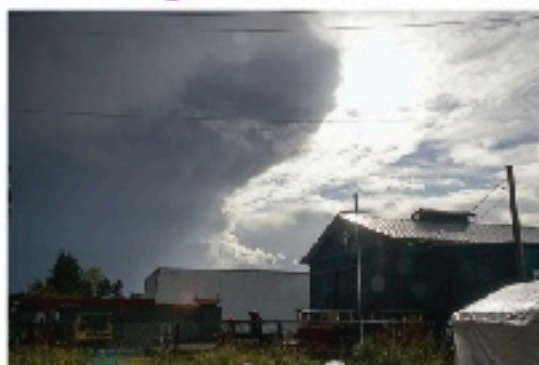
Open Doors for 2019 kicks off at 11am on Saturday, June 8, and will provide the public with the opportunity to find out what the Surrey's Heritage Rail is all about. Get up close to the trams, ride the velocipede and the speeders, learn about BC's electric railway history. Last year, we even had Miss British Columbia pay us a visit.





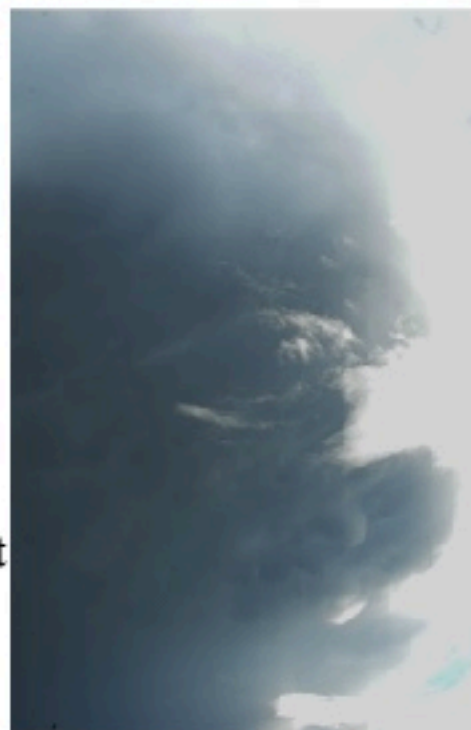
March 2018 we received our new Cummins generator to power Car 1304. No disrespect to the Cummins reps in the photo, their standard green paint distracted from the car, so a few photos of 1304 were applied to a vinyl wrap, sponsored by Cummins and Signarama of Langley.

Scary Weather during our Halloween Event



On the final day of the Halloween event, we experienced weather reminiscent of that seen in areas where tornadoes occur.

The weather became worse, heavy rain swept the railyard, and a photo of the clouds clearly showed the start of a swirling motion (looks like an eye). Happily, it dissipated.



Mounties and Miscreants: Just in the nick of time Dudley Doorright arrives to safeguard the train while our Billy Miner wannabe shows little mercy to our damsel in distress. Ah, but the good guys always win and there's always lots of fun at Surrey's Heritage Rail. All aboard Please!!!!



Don and Lorna Bruce seek protection from Canada's finest, while Bill Robinson and Ron Peterson plot a dastardly deed against distressed damsel Diane Bishop.

Making a Handcart



This year, a new hands-on attraction joins the popular velocipede ride in the Discovery Centre. A four-person handcart, was built over winter by Terry Nichols and Tom Allam, below.



Bare bones



Stephen Plant, test drive



Now the real testing begins



Wooden toy hand cart made by our very own Geppetto, Harry Taylor.



Ron Powers, Debbie Buzunis



Harry Taylor, Jim & Marilyn Kelly



Heather Brown



Berta and Jerry Zdril



Brian Leong, Cloverdale Chamber



Debbie Buzunis, Anthony Marier



Terry Krauchar



Terry Nichols, Sten Christiansen



Tom Allam



David King



Henry and Ellie Ewert



Ken Silen



Barb Ducharme, Grace Ducharme



Dolores Sleutel



Arvid Westberg, Art Crowther, Harry Taylor & Ray Crowther



Cathy Bassetto



Peter Leyland



Elsie and Patrick Taylor



David & Glenys Baker



Vic Castleton



Myrna McRae



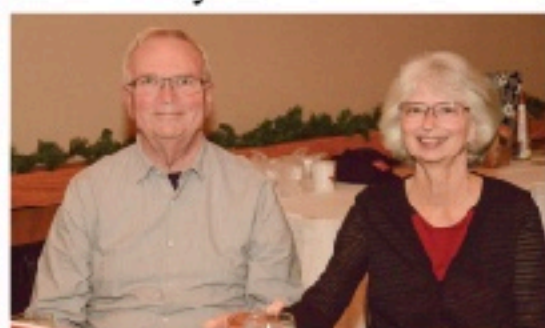
Neil Wilkie, Bill Fee



John Sprung, Ray Hudson



Don and Lorna Bruce



Frank & Regina Alexander



Joe Naismith and Ron Powers



John Cowan

That's A Wrap



It was 2007 when I first came to the car barn at Sullivan. The society had custody of Car 30 (called the Clover Belle), a Car barn, the replica Sullivan Station, and an Arnold speeder to run on a small oval track, and a large inventory of big dreams.

Contrast that with the campus we have now with the Cloverdale station, Discovery Centre, four Interurban trams, and an amazing group of volunteers to help make it all work. Today the dreams are bigger than ever. The future is bright for the continued development and growth of the Fraser Valley Heritage Railway Society and Surrey's Heritage Rail.

I have been part of documenting the development with my camera, writing some of the stories, creating much of the artwork, promotional ads, as well as the Centennial Book on the 100th anniversary of the Chilliwack Line with my friend Henry Ewert.

In 2009 I became a director and carried on in my role in communications. I've had the honour to be the editor of the News Magazine for all these years, developing it into The Signal. Now here I am, editing my last edition.

As John said, "I officially retired in 2014." Now I've reached a fork in the road that will take me into the Shuswap. As philosopher Yogi Berra said - when you get to a fork in the road, take it - so I will!

Through the magic of the internet, and good roads, I intend to continue providing advisory and graphics support) and I will be here for the important events to take photos, and strum a song or two.

I owe much to the friendship and support of many of our volunteers, but in particular I want to thank Allen and Liz Aubert, John Sprung, Stephen Plant, Ray Crowther, Terry, Harry, Ron, and Peter Holt who got me into this in the first place.

2018 Board of Directors



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Gibbs



David
Hobson



Terry
Nichols



Shane
Suter



Harry
Taylor



Ray Hudson



**We welcome our new
Surrey Council Liaison
Linda Annis**

2019 Annual General Meeting

All members in good standing are invited to attend

Saturday, April 13, 2019 12:30 pm

Valleyview Reception Centre

14460 72 Avenue Surrey (Newton) BC

Bring your FVHRS Membership card to register

**The right train of thought
can take you to a
better station in life.**

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