Make Believe Railroading
Flourishes At Coste House
Club Has $10,000
Investment

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railroad hobo

The innovative turn out of the fam-
ished pulling a stream of cars. As the
railroad engine and its cars
there was a grinding sound, maybe
had to thank the Chicago and Central
Albany Line.
Within seconds of the accident, engi-
ners inspected the car for any
such as a "safety belt" for railroad

No one was injured in the small-
exciting railroading session at the
Coste House Club has entertained its
members with an array of railroading
"tricks" in recent months. The club,
headquartered at 1001 Barrington St.,
has been the scene of several rail-
roading sessions, including one
where a train was "attached" to the
cost house grounds for a few hours.

The club, which is open to all
members of the public, has been
active in promoting railroading
activities in the area. It recently
received a $500 grant from the
Canadian Railway Heritage Society
for railroading projects.

The club's main goal is to
promote the preservation of
railroad heritage and to encour-
ge the study of railway history.

The club meets on the third
Saturday of each month at 1001
Barrington St. Members are invited
to bring their own railroading
equipment, such as model trains,
and participate in various activi-
ties. The club also organizes
workshops and seminars on
related topics.

For more information, contact
the club at 1001 Barrington St.,
Calgary, AB T2E 3E7, or visit the
website at www.costehouseclub.
can.

[Image of the railway scene with
people and equipment]

Miles Of Wire Serve
Automatic Controls

A model railway system consists of
tracks, signals, lamps, buildings, town
and landscape. The scenery is
settled up by the members of the
Calgary Model Trainmen's Club
with their quarterly meetings held
in the club's building at 1001
Barrington St.

The club, which has over
1000 members, promotes
model railroading activities in the
area. It is known for its extensive
model railway display, which
includes a variety of trains and
tracks. The club also sponsors
several annual events, such as
the Holiday Train Show.

The club encourages
model railroading and
educational activities for all
ages. It offers a variety of
classes and workshops on
model railroading and
related subjects.

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Model Railway

Further illustrating our cover story this week are these pictures of the Calgary Model Trainmen’s Club activities at Conk House. Complete to the finest detail, the model rail system provides many hours of enjoyment for members who are all blessed with splendid imaginations.

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RICK CAMPBELL, 19-year-old Alberta University student, member of the club for three years, checks a passenger steam locomotive model. Actually electricity powers all the trains used on the system.

TED RICHARDSON, President of the club and an oil man by profession, converses locomotives with Allan Bentley, member of the Conk House staff and editor of the model railway club.

DOUG THORNE, another youthful member of the club in which ages run from 16 to 80 and up, is shown during recent repairs on a diesel model. The locomotives are miniature prototypes of the real thing.

ENGINE TIPS. A wide variety of locomotives, properly individualized, operate over the maze of tracks that comprise the system. Thrills are medium gauge, the size most popular with model enthusiasts.

FRIGHT YARDS, show a sizable assortment of freight cars waiting to be pressed into service. Automatic controls and switches make for real-life operation of the rolling stock and there are never any Blunders.

ALIC RANKIN, radio newswoman, depicts a feeling of horror on her face as the result of a breakdown on the line. No one was injured and repairs were quickly affected.

CURRY WHITELEY, local machinist, impresses a locomotive on a train, not the least place to impress a locomotive on a train, Plate the Ginning beddings.