

COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS: 2005

Craigellachie, British Columbia

Craigellachie Station, west of the Eagle Pass summit between Salmon Arm and Revelstoke, B.C. is where the last spike was driven to join the eastern and western portions and to mark completion of construction of the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Craigellachie Station was named after the village on the River Spey in Scotland, the ancestral home of Sir George Stephen and first president of the CPR. The "Last Spike" was driven by Sir Donald Smith, a director of the CPR, on Nov, 7, 1885 – six years ahead of schedule.