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SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

As you know, this year our division will participate with Division 4 and Division 5 in the NMRA 2014 National Convention in Cleveland. So the question is how will the profits be divided? The superintendents of the three divisions have come to an agreement. The profit will be split into two parts. The first 50% will be divided evenly between the three divisions. The second 50% will be split between the divisions based on volunteer hours at the convention.

Volunteer hours will be counted from NMRA members and their immediate families that reside within the respective divisions. (Immediate families will include spouses, children, parents or siblings.)

Twenty hours of volunteer hours will be given to Division 5 for auction software programming.

Volunteers at the convention that are outside of the respective divisions are not counted.

Items **NOT** counted toward volunteer hours:

Special interest groups National Train Show (this includes module setup and display) Walking tour guides

Layout tours and operating session hosts and helpers

Bus tour captains

Clinicians at the convention

Volunteers must check in and out at the volunteer desk at the convention to verify time.

Eventually, Patty Kaplan will be visiting us at an up-coming meeting. She is in charge of getting volunteers to sign up.

This month we will be at Rob's Trains in Alliance, OH. See you there.

Randy Dettmer, Superintendent
Division 1, MCR, NMRA



Convention 2014 Layout Committee Report

Don't wait! Everything from tours to hotel rooms is selling out fast!

Click on the convention link now or visit the site for the mail option.

<http://www.2014cleveland.org/> Don't miss out. A National so close by could be a once in a life time opportunity!

Jim Peters

2014 Convention Layout Committee Co- Chair



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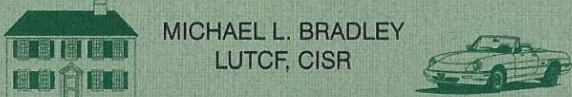


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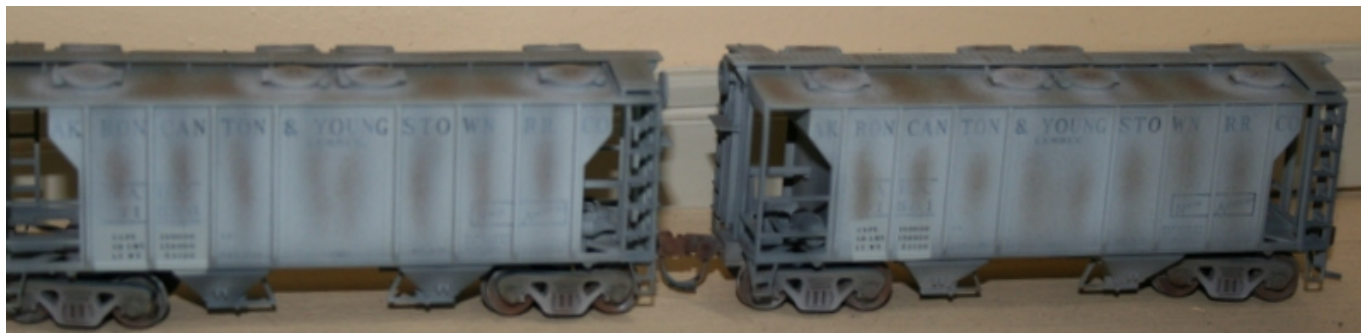
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DIVISION 1 CONTEST

STANDARD KIT



CURRENT STANDINGS

STANDARD KIT

Jim DiPaola - 18 pts
 Don Bonk - 9 pts
 Mike Bradley - 5 pts
 Jim Williams - 5 pts
 Bob Anelli - 4 pts
 Matt Woods - 4 pts
 Ray Lora - 3 pts
 Frank Williamson - 3 pts
 Bruce Hukill - 2 pts
 Glenn Yoder - 2 pts

CRAFTSMAN KIT

Don Avila - 6 pts
 Don Deakins - 5 pts
 Jim Williams - 5 pts
 Don Bonk - 2 pts
 Bob Weston - 2 pts

KIT-BASHED

Mike Bradley - 20 pts
 Jim Williams - 7 pts
 Matt Woods - 6 pts
 Jim DiPaola - 4 pts
 Ray Lora - 4 pts
 Frank Williamson - 4 pts
 Don Bonk - 2 pts
 Don Deakins - 2 pts

SCRATCH-BUILT

Matt Woods - 6 pts
 Roy Lora - 2 pts

1st Place - Matt Woods



2nd Place - Jim DiPaola



3rd Place - Mike Bradley

CONTEST TOPICS FOR 2013-2014

APRIL - INDUSTRIAL BUILDING
 (a photograph is allowed if the building
 cannot be transported)
 MAY - TANK CAR
 JUNE - AWARDS CEREMONY

KIT-BASHED

1st Place

Jim Williams



2nd Place

Mike Bradley



3rd Place

Don Deakins



CRAFTSMAN KIT

1st Place

Don Deakins



Don Deakins



Standard Kit - Jim DiPaola



Kit-Bashed - Frank Williamson



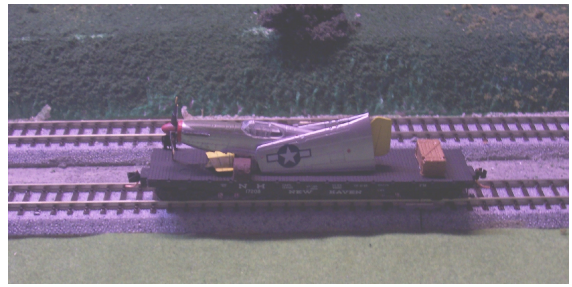
Please send your ideas to David Hazlett at dhazlett1@neo.rr.com or give them to him at a meeting.

N-Scale News

Don Bonk

One of the best items available for N-Scale modelers at the March 2014 toy show in Dalton was the Warbird flat cars like the one shown on the right. One of “Burning River N-Trak” members assembles these with various paint jobs and details that run from the generic model I bought to a Tuskegee Airmen unit that takes 3-1/2 hours of additional effort. Costs are from \$34 to \$50.

There has been a discussion of obtaining a set of special run Division 1 Cars as a funding source. In N-Scale, Micro-Trains has already produced a box car perfect for the Akron Canton Youngstown Division with minor additions of a Division 1 Logo and “Division 1 N-Trak”. 150 cars (3200 -3346) were built June 1948 and rebuilt in 1963 remaining in service until 1977.



Kids at Dalton loved the Alien that eats cows.



THERE IS A PROTOTYPE FOR EVERYTHING

Recently, I purchased a Bowser CP, ALCo C630M, #4507, locomotive. I took it to an operating session to do a little “Bring~N~Brag”. We took it for a spin around the layout. As we were about to remove it from the layout, it was brought to my attention that the rear end sill or pilot under the frame and behind the hoses was missing. It really looked odd without the sill.

I called Bowser and talked to Lee about the missing part and lack of a parts list. He explained that this locomotive operated with out a rear sill on CP because it had been removed. The reason the parts list was missing was due to the many variations of the ALCo C630M. Making a parts list was deemed too expensive since each locomotive was so unique.

In my mind, I thought the locomotive would have looked better with the sill, but, in scale modeling, we are to try to make the models look like the prototype. So, I now feel happy that nothing is really missing and I got my “money’s worth”.

Bob Ashley, Sr.

Division 1, MCR, NMRA Minutes
March 30, 2014
Host: Sebring Model Railroad Club

- A. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 pm. Superintendent Randy Dettmer thanked the Sebring Model Railroad Club for hosting the meeting. Today's contest is 34' to 42' covered hoppers. April's contest is an Industrial building.
- B. **Minutes:** A motion and a second to accept the amended February 2014 Minutes from what was printed in the Peddler Freight. The motion passed.
- C. **Treasurer:** Report given. Motion and a second to accept Treasurers report subject to audit. Motion passed.
- D. **Membership:** Current Division 1 membership is 119.
- E. **Committee Reports:**
 - a. **Clinics** – No report at this time. Jim Peters was not in attendance. Today's clinic is on how the Sebring Model Railroad Club prepared for the article on their club layout that appeared in the March 2015 issue of Model Railroader Magazine.
 - b. **AP** – Nothing to report at this time.
 - c. **Peddler Freight** – David Hazlett gave overview of current expenses and donations for the Peddler Freight. Cost per issue (mailing and printing of hardcopy) is \$123.25. He encouraged all members to get the email version which is in color and no cost to Division 1.
 - d. **Scale Update** – Randy Dettmer still has a few 2014 Convention Cars for sale at \$21.60 per car.
 - e. **NMRA 2014 Cleveland Convention** – No updates at this time. The 2014 Convention Committee will meet April 2, 2014.
 - f. **Modules** – Bob Ashley, Sr. reported the on the Module Group. Received \$175.00 from the Dalton Train Show. Waiting on Digitrax components to come in at Whistle Stop.
 - g. **Apparel** – Jim Williams reported that he still has several items of clothing in stock for sale or items can be ordered. No price increase anticipated in 2014.
- F. **Meetings:**
 - h. April 27 – Rob's Trains, Alliance, OH
 - i. May 18 – Mike Bradley, Rootstown, OH
 - j. June 14 – MCR Annual Meeting at Marion, OH
 - k. June 15 – Jim DiPaola, Ravenna, OH
- G. **Old Business:**
 - l. No update on 501c3 status.
 - m. The Flea Market Committee has no report on new location to hold the flea market. Division 1 will have a flea market on November 2, 2014 at the Akron Yacht Club. Tables are \$15.00 (increase from \$10.00). Contact Bob Ashley, Jr. for tables and information.
 - n. The Elections Committee presented the following names for Division 1 Officers: Randy Dettmer, Superintendent; Jim Peters, Assistant Superintendent; Mike Bradley, Treasurer. This slate of Officers can be elected by acclimation (as provided in the Bylaws)
- H. **New Business**
 - o. A short biography of each candidate is needed for the Peddler Freight. Please forward to David Hazlett.
 - p. The Erie Lackawanna Historical Society has a computer projector that can be borrowed by Randy Dettmer.
 - q. Discussion was held on having a Company Store in the future and having custom rolling stock for sale.

The 50/50 drawing was held. Joe Urbanski was the winner.

Motion and a second to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim DiPaola, Clerk

ELECTION BIOGRAPHIES

According to the ByLaws:

5.11 In April, a short biography of each candidate shall be published in the “*Peddler Freight*”.

FOR OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT:

I am Randy Dettmer, the current Superintendent. I have been interested in trains all of my life. I still have two toy locomotives and a car from when I was three. I received a subscription to Trains magazine when I was six and to Model Railroader when I was eleven. I have been a member of the Erie Lackawanna Historical Society since 1992 and membership chairman since 2007 and board member since 2013. I am also a member of the Operations special interest group.

FOR THE OFFICE OF ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT:

Hello Division One members. As you know, election time is upon us and it is time once again to get on track and serve our organization. I have been enjoying serving as the Assistant Superintendent and once again am asking for your support to remain in the position. I plan on continuing as the division clinician chair and layout co-chair for Cleveland Convention 2014. With my retirement in sight at the end of the tunnel, I foresee more involvement in the organization at various levels and more time for the hobby we all love.

Thanks for letting me serve.

Jim Peters

FOR THE OFFICE OF TREASURER:

My name is Michael L. Bradley. I am 57 years old. My wife’s name is Kim and we have 3 sons Alex, Dan and James. We live in Rootstown, OH. I have been in model railroading since my first train at age 12 - I was hooked. Currently I am working on my 4th layout

I am the owner and founder of Bradley Insurance Agency in Ravenna ,Ohio. I have been in the insurance business since 1977. I have two degrees in estate planning investing and insurance. I believe that my business experience makes me a good candidate for Treasurer of Division 1.

OOPS!

The Issue # and Month were wrong when the March Peddler Freight went to press for the mailed copies. They were corrected before being mailed.

The email copies were corrected before being emailed.

Ed.

If you have requested to receive your Peddler Freight by email and you are NOT receiving it via email, please let me know by sending your request to:

dhazlett1@neo.rr.com

Gremlins have entered my files and I now believe that I have eradicated them.

Ed.

MODULE GROUP

The showing of the Division HO and NTRAK modules, last month, was a great success. The new Digitrax duplex system worked flawlessly without any interference from the cell phone repeaters in the building. My three converted throttles worked very well.

We displayed the new Digitrax banner and the new Division banner, both supplied to us at no charge, by Digitrax. The old banner has been passed on to the NTRAK group along with the frame. A new frame is being made for the HO module group, at no charge.

Our next showing will be at the National Train Show in Cleveland, in July. We will setup on Wednesday, July 16 and Thursday, July 17, 2014. The times will be announced, later. We will have approximately 92 straight modules plus the loop ends and corners. We are committing 8 straight modules and the industrial end modules. I will have 5 straight modules, Bob, Jr. will have 2 and Lloyd Horst will have 1. Larry Madson could not find a way to use the passenger end modules due to space considerations. We will operate Friday, July 18, Saturday, July 19 and Sunday, July 20 in shifts and will be expected to commit to a firm time schedule. There will be more about this and the times, later.

Anyone who works the NTS 2014 show must have shirts and hats with the "Division" and "Module Group" logo. They are available through Jim Williams or Nils Sunberg. Please have this done immediately. We want to look good. Thanks to all who have already done this.

Bob Ashley, Jr. is adding Tortoise turnout machines to the industrial end modules. Anyone with experience in installing these machines, and can help him, please call him at 330-645-6175 or 216-905-8860. He is making a control panel and hopes to have diode routing, eventually.

I am concerned that several module members have lost interest or cannot make the events. We need more members to join in with more modules. I have added two more modules to my coal mine and concrete/cement scenes. Those of you who have modules that you cannot use, please offer to sell them to someone who wants to join us. Dave Madden is considering making a yard with at least three modules for staging. He has not made his plans for this, yet. Several members are converting, or planning, to change from HO to an NTAK module.

I have partially ordered the Digitrax electronics for a new command station panel from The Whistle Stop. They are having trouble finding a distributor who has stock at the right price. We hope to have this ready for the next Dalton show in November. It will be mounted on the backside of the modules instead of underneath, where it is difficult to troubleshoot. We are using 2 American Flyer 250 watt, 16 amp, transformers for power.

The Division portion of the 50-50 raffle is placed in the module fund. Let's try to be generous and spend \$5.00 for six tickets instead of \$1.00 for one ticket. We also received \$175.00 for our display at the Dalton show. Your help in funding the Module Group is appreciated.

Bob Ashley, Sr., Module Chairman, 330-644-4778

or rashleysr@msn.com

Jim Williams, Asst. Module Chairman, 330-966-5477

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MEETING DATES 2013-14

MAY 18 - Mike Bradley

June 15 - Jim DiPaola

THIS MONTH'S MEETING
will be on Sunday, April 27, at
Rob's Trains
333 East Main St, Alliance, OH 44601

Our meeting will be hosted by Rob and Nils. The meeting will begin at 2 PM. Come early and view the layout. Rob and Nils are providing snacks and beverages. If you are in need of detail parts or building materials, this is the shop.(Ed.)

If you can't find a parking spot on the street, there is parking behind the shop. You may enter the shop (a light tan brick building) using the left door. There are stairs to the shop level. You can also walk through the alley to the left of the building to the front entrance to avoid the stairs.

There will NOT be a flea market at this meeting.

Directions: From the West you can travel, I-76 to SR14 East to SR 183 South to Alliance. You can travel SR 224 or SR 619 both of which intersect SR183. When you get to SR 183 you go South. Your next landmark is a blue RR bridge with red, yellow and orange stripes on it. The next light is Main Street. Turn left. Rob's Trains is past the first stop light, which is at Arch St., about half way down the block on the right. As stated, there is parking in a lot behind the building.

You can also travel via SR 62. Do not get off SR 62 until it ends at SR 225. Turn RIGHT. You will come to the bridge and light mentioned above. Then follow those directions.

From the East you can make your way to SR 183 via roads of you choice (I don't know the best route from the East. Ed.). You can also follow the signs toward the AMTRAK Station which is about two blocks East of Rob's Trains.

Members Report April 2014

The membership now stands at 121.

New Members

Welcome to all the new members!

<i>Jonathan Nungesser</i>	<i>Ravenna</i>
<i>Matthew Falkowski</i>	<i>Northfield</i>

Renewals and Rerails

***Special Thanks to all these
for renewing.***

<i>Frederick Shape</i>	<i>David McNeil</i>
<i>Lloyd Shankland</i>	<i>Sanford Jacobs</i>
<i>Richard Ramskugler</i>	<i>David Huston</i>

Clinic Report

I hope you did not miss out last month at Sebring as I did, although I had talked to Jim and enjoyed viewing the progress on the layout just the weekend before. I am sure that all really enjoyed the clinics by Jim & Ryan Smas and Bob Beatty. Also, thanks to the entire Sebring Model RR Club for being such gracious hosts for our meeting. If anyone wants a copy of the MR edition that contained the article they can be obtained for 50% of the list price. Contact Jim Peters if you want a copy.

This month Glenn Yoder will be discussing "Fitting Building on the Backdrop." We hope to see you at Rob's Trains on Sunday, April 27.

Remaining Clinics will be: May 18 – Modeling Buildings by Matt Woods at Mike Bradley's
June 15 - TBA at Jim DiPaola's

Time to be planning next year! Have a clinic you would like to present? Please let me know and I/we will pick the month of your choice!

Jim Peters, Clinician Chair Phone: 216-402-8507

DIVISION 1 MODEL RAILROAD FLEA MARKET

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2014

Tables (@6 feet) are \$15 each.

Contact: Bob Ashley, Jr.
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Akron, OH 44319-3742
330-645-6175 evenings
tubtoy3656@aol.com

25 tables available. Request your tables early.
Setup starts at 9 am.

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Limit of 4 tables.

TRAIN SHOWS & OPEN HOUSES APRIL & MAY

Extravaganza Model Train & Toy Show – April 19 10 AM – 4 PM Richland County Fair Grounds
750 N Home Rd, Mansfield, OH
Admission \$5 adults, children 18 and under free

Buckeye Model Trains & Railroad Artifacts Show
April 19 – 9 AM – 4 PM Ohio Expo Center, Lausche Building – Columbus, OH www.gserr.com

Spring S Spree – May 1, 2, 3
Veteran's Memorial Coliseum, Marion County Fairgrounds, Marion, OH www.cosg.org

Cuyahoga Valley & West Shore Railroad Depot Open House **– May 3 & 4 – 11 AM – 4 PM**

Olmsted Falls Depot, 25802 Garfield Ave, Olmsted Falls, OH
Admission \$6 adults, children under 6 free

Toledo National Train Day – May 3 – 9:30 AM – 4 PM
Toledo Amtrak Station, 415 Emerald Ave and Martin Luther King Jr Plaza, Toledo, OH Free admission

Spring Train Meet – May 3 – 10 AM – 3 PM
UAW Hall, 5615 Chevrolet Blvd, Cleveland, OH
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Jamestown National Train Day – May 10 – 10 AM - ?
Erie Train Station, 211-217 West Second St, Jamestown, NY
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