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Superintendent's Bulletin



Hello NMRA Division 1 Members and welcome back from the short summer break. I hope everyone had time to enjoy family and friends as well as something related to trains. I'm happy to once again be your Superintendent and work with everyone to enjoy our great hobby. Sam Eisele will be your Assistant Superintendent and Mike Bradley your Treasure. I want to thank Sam

for taking over as Superintendent during a difficult time and keeping our Division on track (pun intended)! And thank you to Mike for returning as our Treasurer and making sure to keep us financially sound.

A group of us, of what I'd call the executive committee, met in July to discuss Division 1's goals and objectives for the coming year. I feel that the people who are tasked with making sure we're functioning to best meet the Division's need to talk on a regular basis. Myself; Jim Peters, Membership Chair; Bruce Hukill, Peddler Freight Editor; and Steve Zapytowski, Webmaster met at Angie's Italian Restaurant in Barberton to have lunch and talk. It just so happens that this family style restaurant is right next to an active railroad track and across from the former Erie Railroad station which is in very good shape and privately owned. We discussed the upcoming year and the return to meeting at places where a layout could be seen, hands on modeling (clinics), contest vs bring and brag, the Peddler Freight and modules.

On the topic of the modules we discussed the current module construction and set up and looking into a lighter weight modules and easier set up. Division members who attended the recent Tri-Regional convention talked about the various module groups that were there and their set up and construction methods. We all agreed that this will be a topic of discussion at the upcoming Division 1 meetings.

We all agreed that we need to have more modeling content at each meeting. I'm sure we have Division 1 members who want to learn a new skill or improve on current skills and that can be accomplished with hands on

clinics. Perhaps we can construct a trial lightweight module and then install track, wiring, scenery & buildings. A different task could be introduced at each meeting. The possibilities are endless and we welcome and need your input.

Our first meeting will be September 18, 2022 at Cuyahoga Valley Terminal model railroad. (see page 4) At that meeting we'll set the meeting dates for the remainder of the year. We try to hold all meetings on the third Sunday of each month with adjustments for holidays. And speaking of holidays, this year we'll return to the Hartville Kitchen on Saturday, December 3, 2022 for our Christmas Lunch. Menu will be announced at a later date.

Last but not least, Train Shows will be starting up soon! Time to renew the hunt for that long wanted item and get out and mingle with other Model Railroaders.

All Aboard!!

Jim DiPaola, Superintendent
NMRA, MCR, Division 1

2022 - 2023 Division 1 Events

September 18 - Cuyahoga Valley Terminal
October - TBD
November - TBD
December 3 - Christmas Lunch at Hartville Kitchen
January - TBD
February - TBD
March - TBD
April - TBD
May - TBD
June - TBD

Interested in hosting a meeting?
Contact any Division 1 officer.

Division 1, MCR, NMRA
Meeting Minutes
June 26, 2022

1. Welcome:

- ~ Call to Order: 2:05 PM
- ~ By: Superintendent Sam Eisele
- ~ Participants: 12
- ~ Location: Zion Lutheran Church, Wooster, OH, hosted by the Wooster Society of Model Railroaders
- ~ Guests: 3 Members of the Wooster Society of Model Railroaders

2. Clerk: Jeff Stone:

- ~ Previous meeting minutes published in the Peddler Freight.
- ~ Motion by John Spinks, second by Lloyd Horst to approve minutes. Motion passed

3. Treasurer: Mike Bradley:

- ~ Checking: \$4,852.22
- ~ Module Fund: \$1,930.37
- ~ CD balance: \$3,198.92
- ~ Money Market: \$10,086.92
- ~ Total assets: \$18,071.48
- ~ Expenses: Peddler Freight, \$194.52
- ~ Income: PF Renewals \$30.00
- ~ Motion by Jerry Kruse, second by Bob Anelli to approve subject to audit. Motion passed.

4. Superintendent:

- ~ Sam Eisele stated he enjoyed being Superintendent and appreciated everyone's support during this difficult time. He would like to see more actual modeling and hands on clinics done at future meetings.

5. Peddler Freight:

- ~ No report.

6. Membership:

- ~ Membership at 82.

7. Clinics:

- ~ Jerry Kruse will give a presentation on his train trip to Canada.

8. Achievement:

- ~ No report

9. Modules:

- ~ November setup at Mount Hope.

10. Facebook: No report.

12. Old Business:

- ~ Discussed future meeting sites.

12. New Business: Jim DiPaola:

- ~ Elections: Superintendent: Jim DiPaola
Asst. Superintendent: Sam Eisele
Treasurer: Michael Bradley
- ~ Motion by Jerry Kruse, second by Bob Anelli to elect the slate of officers as presented. Motion passed.

13. Bring and Brag:

- ~ Sam Eisele showed the chain link fence he built and the materials used to construct it.

14. Good of the Order/Announcements:

- ~ 50/50 Drawing. Winner donated \$20.00 to Wooster Society of Model Railroaders.

15. Adjournment:

- ~ Meeting adjourned at 2:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Jim DiPaola, Acting Clerk, Division 1.

Getting started in Ops with the Wellston Quarry, Rittstone, Alpha Cement (WRA)

by Jim Peters

Getting started in operations is easy. Make a list of your industries, next to their names, write down what they ship and receive. Suddenly you realize you need all types of rolling stock. And you may discover you have no industry to supply the industry with the raw materials for its product. Wow. Now you need to find a spot on your layout for a new industry. No room? No problem. Ship directly from the yard or an interchange, possibly no more



than a siding somewhere on your layout. Let's take a look at the WRA, one assignment that has evolved.

The operation starts when Wellston Quarry orders empty shorty hoppers. The WRA crew

departs WM interchange (see photo 1 above) WB and passes thru many cities all the way to Jackson. In the



meantime, the Jackson local has set out hoppers loaded with stone from Wellston Quarry. (see photo 2 left). The WRA pushes the loaded stone on to the mainline, uncouples and leaves

the empties in Jackson for the local operator to spot at the quarry. He then proceeds EB toward Mingo Jct via Coal Grove Interchange. The MJ local operator is contacted and asked if he is ready for the stone. So, the WRA terminates in Coal Grove Interchange and the train becomes the Rittstone. It may be put on hold on the mainline or passing siding or continue to Mingo Jct.

immediately, depending on the current circumstances. This creates flexibility.

The Rittstone operator departs Coal Grove Interchange and pulls his train into Mingo Jct (see photo 3 right) on one of the passing side off the mainline, guided by the local crew chief in charge. If things are moving smoothly, he can once again simply



push a new set of hoppers loaded with gravel and leave the stone for Rittstone Rock crusher for next time. The ends the Rittstone leg of the WRA.

Finally, with permission, the Alpha Cement (see photo 4 below) gets permission to re-enter the main WB for Alpha Cement. To complete his work, he will need to contact the dispatcher to have the mainline temporarily blocked. He pulls out empty hoppers and leaves the gravel. When complete, he asks permission to continue WB back to DT&I with the empties. Which concludes the WRA.

An experienced tip: I operate my layout point to point, but the interchanges are adjacent. I can have the Yardmaster if on duty or between sessions, move the empties over to WM to start the WRA all over! You want to keep set up easy; otherwise, it is too much work! Movement from one interchange is simple and



fast, but my operations have evolved literally over the years. Be patient and don't be afraid to change things.

THIS MONTH'S MEETING
Sunday, September 18, 2022
Cuyahoga Valley Terminal Railroad
Cuyahoga Falls Fire Station #4
3089 Northampton Road
Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44233
2 PM

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Iron and Steel Train Show and Expo - Sept. 24

St. Mary's Assumption Social Center
365 S. Belle-Vista Ave. Youngstown, Ohio 44509
Admission \$7, 12 and under free 10 AM - 3 PM

The Great Berea Train Show - Oct. 1 - 2

Model Train Show NMRA Div 4
Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds
19201 E. Bagley Road, Middleburg Heights, Ohio 44130
Admission \$8.00 Sat. & Sun. 10 AM - 4 PM

Canfield Train and Toy Show - Oct. 8

Canfield Fairgrounds, 7265 Columbiana
Canfield, Ohio 44406, new Event Center
Admission \$7.00 10 AM - 3 PM

Fundraiser Dinner - Painesville Railroad Museum (aka Painesville Depot) - October 22

475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077
Admission pre-sale \$30.00, At the Door \$35.00
Phone: (216) 470-5780 3 - 8 PM

Medina Train and Toy Show - October 30

Medina Fairgrounds, Medina, Ohio 44256
Admission \$6.00 9 AM - 3 PM

2 Rail O-Scale Train Meet - November 5

UAW Hall 5615 Chevrolet Blvd., Parma, Ohio 44130
Admission \$7.00 9 AM - 2 PM

NETS Model Train Show in memory of Bob Orlando Highland Heights Community Center - November 5

5827 Highland Road, Highland Hts. Ohio 44143
Admission \$5.00 10 AM - 3 PM

Mt. Hope Train & Toy Show - TBA

Mt. Hope Event Center, 8076 St. Rt. 241, Mt. Hope 44666
(for GPS use Millersburg, Oh 44654)
Admission \$5.00 10 AM - 4 PM

Model Training Day! - TBA

NMRA MCR Div. 4
Black River Landing & Transportation Center
421 Black River Lane, Lorain, Ohio 11 AM - 4 PM

Akron Train & Toy Show - November 13

Emidio & Sons Expo Cener
48 E. Bath Rd., Akron, Ohio
Admission \$3.00 9 AM - 3 PM

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