

# PEDDLER FREIGHT

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# **Akron - Canton - Youngstown Division**

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# Superintendent's Bulletin



Welcome to the month of November and National Model Railroad month. Have you run your trains today? Better yet, have you run your trains for family, friends or neighbors? We are in this hobby because we have a love of trains in some way. When somebody asks what you do for fun tell them about our great hobby. These days we have smart phones so it's easy to take photos, or pics as they're called. Hundreds of photos can be stored and

recalled later at a touch to the screen. So when someone asks what project you're working on you'll be able to show them that new building, engine or car. If you don't have a smart phone invite them over to your house to see your creations. They say a picture is worth a thousand words so seeing your models in person should be worth a book of words. If you have an operating layout hand them a throttle and let them run a train. And remember, we allow guests at our monthly events.

We are very fortunate to have two model railroad clubs in our Division. The Sebring Model Railroad Club and The Youngstown Model Railroad Association will have open houses in the month of November. The Sebring layout will be open November 16, 17, 23 and 24 from 10 AM till 5 PM. The Youngstown layout will be open November 2, 3, 9, and 10 from 12 noon through 6 PM. The Youngstown layout will also be open December 7 and 8 from 12 noon through 6 PM.

Our Division has been offered a unique opportunity to set up some modules at the Ages of Steam Roundhouse in Sugar Creek, Ohio. The modules will need to be manned with trains running from 10 AM through 2 PM on November 21, 22 and December 4, 5, 12, 13, 19 and 20. The modules will be set up November 21 and remain up until December 20. If you can help, please contact Bob Ashley, Jr. to schedule a day to be there. (see volunteer signup sheet on page XX)

Our annual Christmas Lunch will be held on December 7, 2019 at the Little City Grill, 802 N. Mantua St., Kent, OH 44240 at 12 noon. We can order off the menu. Please bring an item or two for the raffle.

All Aboard!! Jim DiPaola, Superintendent NMRA, MCR, Division 1

# **Layout Tours**

I am always looking for new layout owners to open up their layouts to the division during our annual Spring Layout Tour. Layout owners should be NMRA members. Let me know if you are interested or know of someone that I should contact.

For planning purposes, this year I will schedule layouts that are in the same area of our division, the best way I can divide it up. I have not worked on that yet but imagine viewing the division in quadrants. Also, I would like to move the tour up to March or April, moving away from the regional convention. Share any thoughts you may have on our layout tour either at a meeting or via email. If sharing at a meeting, a business card or slip of paper with your info would be appreciated.

Have you added anything to your layout since our last event? Send me a photo and I will work it into my report. Thanks!

Jim Peters Layout Tour Chair

#### 2019-20 Division 1 Events

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

November 17 - Portland Locomotive Works

December 7 - Christmas Luncheon

Little City Grill, Kent, OH 12:00 Noon

January 19 - Kent Free Library

February 16 - Kent Free Library

March 15 - TBA

April 19 - TBA

May 17 - Kurt & Karen Sanders

June 28 - Bob Ashley, Jr., Green

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

## Divison 1, MCR, NMRA Meeting Minutes October 20, 2019

The October meeting of Division 1 was held at the home of Sam Eisele. Many thanks to Sam and Trish for opening their home to the Division, and the wonderful food they served after the meeting.

#### Welcome:

- The business meeting was called to order by Superintendent Jim DiPaola at 2:09 PM.
- Twenty-three people in attendance.

#### 2. Bring and Brag: Superintendent DiPaola opened the meeting with Bring and Brag.

- Matt Woods suggested that those who bring something for bring and brag be entered into a drawing for a prize.
- Matt Woods displayed HO scale W&LE stone hoppers.
- Frank Williamson displayed an O scale 86' auto parts car built from a wooden kit.
- Bob Ashley, Jr. displayed HO flat cars with "spirit" loads.
- John Spinks displayed an HO box car he built from a resin kit.
- Mike Bradley displayed HO Hobbyline cars he converted into wood chip and sand cars.
- Don Bonk passed around table leg adjuster hardware.

#### 3. Superintendent Announcements: Jim DiPaola

- The November meeting will be at the PLW. Points of interest will be the additions to the shop as well as a large laser cutter
- December 7 is the Christmas luncheon at the Little City Grill in Kent.
- January and February meetings will be at the Kent Free Library.
- March and April meetings TBD
- May meeting at the home of Kurt and Karen Sanders.
- June meeting at the home of Bob Ashley Jr.
- May 28-31 is the Regional convention in Pittsburg.
- July 12-18 is the National Convention in St Louis.
- A list of layout open houses in November will be posted on the website.

#### 4. Assistant Superintendent Announcements: Steve Zapytowski

- The regional convention in 2020 will be a 3-Region Convention in Indianapolis.
- Convention will be 4 Days as opposed to 3 day.
- Contests will be run by Division 1, Steve Zapytowski in particular.

### 5. Minutes: September minutes were approved by motion and vote.

#### 6. Treasurer: Mike Bradley

- Checking account balance is \$17,107.79.
- Income since last report \$378. Expenses \$15.96.
- Module Fund balance is \$1507.37
- Final profit from the convention is \$10,191.91.
- Treasurer report approved by motion and vote.
- Motion to pay Sam Eisele for September cookout expenses approved.
- Discussion on moving money from checking into money market or CD accounts.
  - Mike will research and report next month.

#### 7. Committee Reports:

- a. Peddler freight: No report
- b. Achievement: No report.
- c. Membership: Kurt Sanders
- Mount Hope Show, will display magazines and brochures sent by National.
- Thanks to Bob Ashley Jr. for the display rack.
- Thanks to Don Bonk for volunteering at membership table.
- Salem Shows 12 & 19 January need volunteers.
- PLW Narrow Gauge Show need volunteers.
- Membership @ 91.
- Discussion on immediate sign up of potential members approaching membership table.

- d. Modules: Bob Ashley, Jr.
- Mount Hope Show, needs help setting up Friday afternoon. Members wearing Division 1 shirts get free admission.
- Age of Steam, Opportunity to display one of the module groups at Age of Steam Thursday and Friday,
  November 21st to December 20th, closed Thanksgiving. Volunteers needed to run layouts as well as set
  up and tear down. Suggested that if a donation is received some of the money be used to offset transpor
  tation costs of volunteers.
- Next show January 12, 2020 at Salem.

#### 8. Old Business:

- New Clerk is Jeff Stone.
- Clinic Chairman position vacant.
- 9. Announcements from the Floor:
  - Bob Ashley, Jr.: Betty Hazlett's mother passed at 99. Betty in no hurry to liquidate David's layout. Estate sales not allowed in their home. Bob Ashley Jr. may transport collection to his garage for liquidation.
- 10. Adjournment: Motion passed at 3:05 PM to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted, Jeff Stone Clerk, Division One

# MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We have some train shows coming up where we'll be setting up a membership table. The Youngstown Model Railroad Association's show is at the Salem CenterPlex on January 12, 2020. Thanks to Richard Ramskugler for volunteering to help with the table at that show. There will be another Youngstown Model Railroad Association show at the same location on April 19, 2020. We are in need of volunteers on that date. There also is a different show at the same location in Salem, The Midwest Scale Train Show. It's a two day show, Friday and Saturday, March 20 and 21, 2020. Since we will more than likely be setting up the N-Scale modules for this show, I am in need of help to with the membership table, so am looking for multiple volunteers for this show. Another upcoming show is the Iron and Steel Rail Fest at St. Lucy Palermo Banquet Center in Campbell, Ohio on March 29, 2020. If you would like to volunteer for any of these shows, please contact Kurt Sanders by phone at 330-518-4245, email KSand0906@aol.com, or in person at a meeting or at a show.

Thanks to Don Bonk for volunteering at the Mount Hope show.

**Membership stands at 91.** Let's try to raise that number by working together to get new members interested in our organization.

Kurt Sanders Membership Chair

### PEDDLER FREIGHT SUBSCRIPTION FORM

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# N-SCALE REPORT

**Few N-Scale (1/160) aircraft** are available. The closest size is usually 1/144. The *Strawberry Bitch* shown here is a find at 1/163. It will look great taking off from *William T. Kirk Air Field* which is located on the ACY N-TRAK Junction module.



B-24 D Liberator "Strawberry Bitch" (1:163)

The Consolidated B-24 was a long-range bomber and reconnassance aircraft used extensively during World War II by every branch of the US Armed Forces and other US allies. Because of its range and speed, the B-24 has a higher top speed, longer range and the ability to deliver a heavier payload. Due to its great success on all fronts during World War II, the B-24 was the most produced American military aircraft in history. The B-24D Liberator "Strawberry Bitch" flew over 50 missions for the 376th Heavy Bombardment Group in North Africa and sports pink desert camouflage, hence the name. It took part in and survived the Ploesti oil refinery raid of August, 1943. It is currently on display indoors in the World War II Gallery of the Museum of the United States Air Force in Dayton, Ohio.

**ATLAS DIFCO CARS** (side dumping) are finally available and every work train needs two or three. Got mine at Sir Troy's.

In the April Peddler Freight we reported that **SEARAILS** had discontinued selling drive units to other manufactures for their loco kits. The author was in process of purchasing an Nn3 Heisler loco. Based upon discussions with Marshall Thompson of **Republic Locomotive Works** the loco was

purchased because new drives were being acquired. Well the new drives will be available soon as shown (right). Author started looking at home for the loco kit without success, nor could tracking data be found. Called Marshall and he found shipping receipt but USPS could





not provide information. The author has known Marshall for 27 years and always found him to be an exceptionally fair vendor who immediately shipped a replacement kit which arrived October 3rd. For my part I am assuming porch pirates.

Many N-Scalers may dismiss Republic Locomotive Works as only an Nn3 specialty vendor overlooking the fact that while locos, and track are Nn3, all of the excellent detailed structural kits including engine houses are N-Scale. Shown below are a few pictures from the 19 pages of available N-scale structural kits and accessories. RLW also has a limited number of O, HO and Z items, especially decals.





Dodson Milk Dock (top left) can stand alone or be used in conjunction with the creamery. (top right)

The Transfer dock (above right) is highly detailed and a lighting kit is available. (above left) 1920's Gas Station is a base kit and additional kits for a tile roof and stucco siding are available.



Happy Thanksgiving! Merry Christmas! Happy New Year!

# **DIVISION 1 Bring-N-Brag - November Category - Structures of any Kind**

Structures can be trackside or industrial, etc. We should have quite a bit of space at Portland Locomotive Works (PLW).

# **Module Group**

As announced at the October meeting there is a very good chance we are going to be setting up a small HO module display at the Age of Steam Roundhouse. It will be open two days a week; Thursdays & Fridays (see dates below) and Saturday, December 14 to take pictures with Santa. We are trying to have 2 - 3 vounteers for each time slot. This will allow you time to explore the gift shop and museum. Take a look at the signup sheet and let me know if you would be able to cover one of the days.

As far as the Mt. Hope Show we will be setting up Friday Nov. 1 from 2:00 until 7:00 PM. I hope to see as many people there as possible. And remember, if you come down to run trains and help us tear down you will get in free. Just wear your Div. 1 shirt or hat.

See you at the show!

contact him:

Bob Ashley, Jr., Module Chairman (216) 905-8860 Rinkerman250@gmail.com

# AGE OF STEAM GIFT SHOP VOLUNTEERS

Thursday NOV. 21,,,,			
Friday NOV. 22,,,			
Thursday Dec. 5 _ Steve Zapytowski,,			
Friday Dec. 6,,			
Thursday Dec. 12 Steve Zapytowski ,,,			
Friday Dec. 13,,,,	_		
Saturday Dec. 14 Bob Ashley ,,			
Thursday Dec.19,,,,			
Friday Dec. 20,,,	_		
Interested in volunteering? Talk with Bob Ashley, Jr. at the Mt. Hope show or			

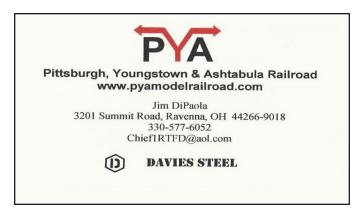
(216) 905-8860 Rinkerman250@gmail.com robert.ashley@siffron.com THIS MONTH'S MEETING Sunday, November 17, 2019 Portland Locomotive Works Greenford Space Center 7600 W. South Range Road Salem, Ohio 44460 2 PM

The Greenford Space Center is near the intersection of Routes 165 and 99 near Salem. The address is 7600 West South Range Road, Salem, OH 44460. This is an old school building. The entrance to Portland Locomotive Works is through a plain steel door on the back side of the building. You cannot access PLW through any of the regular building entrances.

# 7th Year

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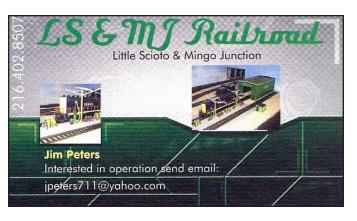




# 8th Year







# **Achievement Program**

Do you know the requirements for the different Certificates? The Golden Spike? If you have been in the hobby for a while you may already have some of the items needed for a certificate: Cars? Structures? Scenery? If you were on the committee planning the Regional Convention, you may have enough points for Association Volunteer.

The NMRA website has all the information you need to help you earn a Certificate. Check it out. If you have any questions contact me and we will figure it out.

Lloyd Horst AP Chair

# **Train Shows and Open Houses**

Mt. Hope Train & Toy Show - November 2, 2019

Mt. Hope Event Center 8076 St. Rt. 241, Mt. Hope, OH (GPS, use Millersburg, OH) Admission \$5.00, under 12 Free

10 AM - 4 PM

HO Modules will be running!

Youngstown Model Railroad Assn. Open House November 2 - 3, 9 - 10 and December 7 - 8, 2019

751 N. Four Mile Run Rd., Youngstown, OH 44515 Admission \$5.00, under 11, Free 12 Noon - 6 PM

Dayton Train Show - November 2 - 3, 2019

Fairgrounds and Event Center of Montgomery County (The New Montgomery County Fairgrounds) 645 Infirmary Rd., Dayton, OH. Admission \$8.00, under 12 Free Sat. 11 AM - 5 PM, Sun. 11 AM - 4 PM

FALL MODEL TRAIN SHOW - November 10, 2019

EHOVE Career Center
316 West Mason Road, Milan, OH 44846
Admission \$5.00, under 10 Free 10 AM - 3 PM

Mansfield Train Show - November 17, 2019

Richland County Fairgrounds 750 N. Home Rd., Mansfield, OH Admission \$6.00, under 12, Free 10 AM - 4 PM

Medina Model Railroad & Toy Show - Dec. 1, 2019

Medina County Fairgrounds Community Center 735 Lafayette Rd., Medina, OH Admission \$6.00, under 12 Free 9 AM - 3 PM Massillon Toy & Train Show - Dec. 8, 2019

Massillon Knights of Columbus Hall 988 Cherry Road NW, Massillon, OH 44647 Admission \$5.00, under 12 Free 9 AM - 3 PM

World's Greatest Hobby on Tour - January 4 - 5, 2020

Ohio Expo Center, Lausche Bldg 717 E 17th Ave Columbus, OH Admission TBD, under 15, Free Sat. 10 AM - 6 PM,

at. 10 AM - 6 PM, Sun. 10 AM - 5 PM

The Youngstown Model Railroad Assoc.

Toy Train & Model Railroad Flea Market - Jan. 12, 2020

Salem Center Plex

1098 N. Ellsworth Ave., Salem, OH 44460 Admission \$5.00 10 AM - 3:30 PM

Iron & Steel, Spring Rail Fest - March 29, 2020

St. Lucy Palermo Banquet Center 394 Tenney Ave., Campbell, OH 44405 Admission \$5.00, under 12 Free 10 AM - 3 PM

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