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Superintendents Message

Many changes have been made in the operation of Division 1. The changes are explained in several different articles within this Peddler Freight. None of the changes noted were taken lightly.

When the officers and appointees were discussing each of the changes, several things were noted. Among these was the cost for the Peddler Freight, liability for everyone attending our meetings and functions and the social aspect of the Division. These were serious discussions and those individuals took them seriously. I thank each one of them for their time and effort.

As I enter the last year as Superintendent of Division 1, I am looking toward how I can serve the Division in the years to come. To this end, I have taken the first steps in becoming a contest judge at the Regional level. I have been given the opportunity to learn how to judge at the recent Regional Convention in Columbus and plan to judge at the next Regional Convention in Charleston.

Socially, our Division has grown in the past three years in meeting attendance. This is good. Bill Smith reminded me that socializing is a big part of our Division. We have been lucky in the past to have many individuals hosting our meetings. He also reminded me that for many of us (including me), building a layout is a solitary job. Most of us DO build our layout by ourselves. I know of only a few who have built personal layouts with a lot of helpers, but they are few and far between. To this end, the officers of the Division are working to get more people to offer clinics. We have had several good clinics this past year.

Starting a flea market is a good socialization tool. Bob Ashley, Jr. is primarily responsible for starting the flea market. He also has secured the Akron Yacht Club as a location for this year's event.

The module group is also a good tool. Bob Ashley, Sr. is responsible for the group. His idea and his leadership of the group have brought us contact with Division 4 and 5. This group is currently small, but we do hope it will grow.

For more than two years I have invited any interested person to operate on my layout. Lately, those invitations have stopped. They will resume in the Fall. This is a good way to get to know other people. It is a good way to get a start in operations. ***There is much that you can do in Division 1. All you need to do is take advantage of what is offered.***

David

DIVISION 1, MCR, NMRA MEETING MINUTES MAY 17, 2009

The meeting began at 2 pm. The host was Randy Dettmer, Hudson.

The April 19 minutes we accepted. Motion: B. Hewitt Second: C. Boyer. The April Treasurer's Report was accepted pending audit. Motion: R. Dettmer Second: T. Babcox

Superintendent's Report:

- 1 - Membership is at 90.
- 2 - D. Hazlett given permission to become the Achievement Program (AP) Chair for Division 1.
- 3- King Pin will be changed to a web-based publication.

Assistant Superintendent's Report:

- 1 - The Roster was discussed and updates made.
- 2 - Clothing, hats and patches are still available.
- 3 - The reasons for the requirements for the modules were discussed.

Next month's meeting is at Don Bonk's in Louisville. Hosts are still needed for the 2009-2010 meeting dates. Contact David Hazlett dhazlett1@neo.rr.com or Ron Wigal Rwigal@neo.rr.com

The MCR Regional Convention is May 13-16, 2010 in Charleston, WV. The Division 3 North Central Region Convention is October 15-18 in Fort Wayne, IN. Division 4 has made available a trip to Cass, WV October 16-18. Division 4 Trustee Tom Beutler was at the meeting to explain the trip.

Business:

- 1 - A motion to verify David Hazlett as AP Chair for Division 1 was passed.

Motion: B. Ashley, Sr. Second: B. Hewitt.

- 2 - By motion, the May meeting date was moved from May 16 to May 23, 2010.

Motion: B. Ashley, Jr. Second: R. Dettmer

- 3 - The date for the Second Annual Railroad Flea Market is Sunday, November 1, 2009. Details were given about the Flea Market. Motion to set November 1, 2009 as the date of the Flea Market passed. Motion: C. Boyer Second: B. Hewitt

- 4 - A motion to advance \$250 to pay for rental of the Akron Yacht Club hall (\$150) and to stock a concession stand (\$100) at the Flea Market passed. Motion: R. Dettmer Second: T. Babcox

- 5 - The Peddler Freight will be offered for FREE via PDF format to members upon request. This will not be the same "edited" version found on the web site, it will be the same as the printed version. Subscriptions to the Peddler Freight in printed and mailed format will be available at \$15.

NO SUBSCRIPTIONS WILL BE SOLD TO NON-NMRA MEMBERS.

- 6 - NMRA Insurance requires that our membership be 100% NMRA. To that end and to eliminate any possibility that our activities might be seen as less than the 100%, visitors, welcome as always, will be given NMRA Membership information. If visitors return more than twice and do not join NMRA, they will be asked not to return.

The Business Meeting adjourned at 3 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Ashley, Sr. and David H. Hazlett

Volunteers



Have you taken a look at this item that is in the Peddle Freight every month? When I look at it, I see many names repeated.

In short. We need volunteers to fill in for jobs. Consider yourself for a volunteers job.

As a point of interest: Five years in a volunteer position earns you an Achievement Program Certificate.

David

DIVISION 1 CHANGES

Certain actions must taken to insure that Division 1 is eligible and continues to be eligible for the NMRA provided liability insurance. These actions are not being taken lightly. Were anything to happen to trigger the need for liability insurance and Division 1 was found to have non-NMRA members involved with the Division, the insurance would be negated and the elected officers of Division 1 would be personally liable. That is a position that I do not wish to find myself, the other officers or any future officers.

Requirements for the \$1,000,000 liability insurance provided by NMRA have brought about the need for a few changes. Since we are having meetings in various homes and planning a Flea Market, we need to be absolutely sure that our membership is without a doubt 100% NMRA. Two problems have shown up.

The first problem concerns the Peddler Freight. The Division currently sells Peddler Freight subscriptions to non-NMRA members. As of now we will no longer sell subscriptions to the Peddler Freight to non-NMRA members. (All current subscriptions end with the June issue.)

The second concerns non-NMRA visitors (other than spouses and families). Non-NMRA visitors are welcome to come to a meeting or two. They will be given NMRA membership information and a membership application. This will be done twice before they are asked to join or stop attending.

These two actions will leave no question about our membership and no question about insurance, should it be needed.

These are based on the insurance requirements and the fact that Division 1 is a basic part of the NMRA. We are NOT an independent club. We are the local Division of the NMRA and shall be operated accordingly.

David H. Hazlett, Superintendent

WE NEED INDIVIDUALS TO GIVE CLINICS!
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PEDDLER FREIGHT

At the May meeting the following announcements concerning the Peddler Freight were made to the attending membership:

1. There will be a request for the names and email addresses of members who would accept the Peddler Freight via email in PDF form. The PDF form to email recipients would be the FULL Peddler Freight, differing only from the paper copy in that the content would be in color. There would be no charge for the Peddler Freight delivered in this way.
2. The web site posting of the Peddler Freight will continue. However, the web site posting will not be and has not been the FULL and COMPLETE Peddler Freight.
3. Those members who still wish the Peddler Freight in printed form would still be requested to subscribe at \$15 per year.
4. Division 1 would still be required to mail ballots out every two years or for special votes.
5. All subscriptions begin with the September issue and end with the June issue.
6. Division currently sells Peddler Freight subscriptions to non-NMRA members. **As of now, we will no longer sell subscriptions to non-NMRA members.**
7. In attempting to deliver the Peddler Freight via email, we hope to decrease the costs of the Peddler Freight. ALL NMRA members will continue to get a Peddler Freight. Subscribers have been helping to pay for those who do not subscribe. That is greatly appreciated. However, costs are *not* always fully covered.

David Hazlett, Superintendent

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Name _____ :

Address _____

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Send your \$15 subscription fee to: Bob Ashley, Jr.

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MEMBERS WISHING TO RECEIVE THE PEDDLER FREIGHT BY EMAIL SEND THE SAME INFORMATION **PLUS** EMAIL ADDRESS. SEND **NO** MONEY, THIS METHOD OF RECEIVING THE PEDDLER FREIGHT IS **FREE**.

DIVISION 1's SECOND ANNUAL RAILROAD FLEA MARKET

In our second year, Division 1 will hold a Railroad Flea Market. This year the Flea Market will be at the Akron Yacht Club on Sunday, November 1, 2009. The hours will be 11 am til 4 pm. This flea market is designed to be a place for the average model railroader to sell, buy or trade his railroad items. In other words, it is not intended to be a place to find the newest and latest items as offered by hobby shop dealers. Dealers whose merchandise is older equipment, i.e. used, consignment or close-out, are welcome.

A donation request of \$2 will be made at the door. Food will be available at a concession area.

Tables (@6 feet) will be \$10 each. They will be available to members and non-members from Divisions 1, 4 & 5. There is room for approximately 30 tables.

Advertising will be done via Division 1's newsletter (The Peddler Freight) and web site (www.div1-mcr-nmra.org) and in the form of an email notice to Divisions 4 & 5, who we hope will print the information in their newsletters.

For further information and table reservations contact Bob Ashley, Jr. at tubtoy3656@aol.com.

10 % discount to NMRA members, not valid with any other offers.

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THE 2008-2009 CONTEST

CONTEST WINNERS FOR MAY 2009:

Scratch-Built

NONE

Kit-Built

Bob Ashley, Jr. - 2

Bob Ashely, Sr. - 1

Kit-Bashed

Rob Ashley - 1

FINAL CONTEST STANDINGS for 2008-2009

Scratch-Built:

Frank Williams - 2

Dennis Sautters - 1

Kit-Bashed:

Don Deakins - 5

Bill Bigler - 4 ½

Chuck Boyer - 4 ½

Bob Ashely, Sr. - 3

Rob Ashley - 1

Dennis Sautters - 3

Jim Williams - 2

Kit-Built

Bob Ashley, Jr. - 4

Larry Olsen - 1 ½

Dennis Sautters - 1 ½

Bob Ashley, Sr. - 1

Rob Ashley - 1

Jim Williams - 1

NMRA MEMBERSHIP REPORT

NMRA Membership in Division 1 stands at 90. The information used for this report was received on June 2, 2009 and covers through May 2009.

NEW MEMBERS: Elmer Johnson

RENEWALS: March:	Todd Dulaney Richard Melvin Fred Shape	Dennis Hetzner Richard Ramskugler	David McNeil George Sankey
April:	David Athman David Gould Dennis Sautters	Tom Babcox David Huston Frank Williamson	Carl Boltz Larry Olsen
May:	Betty Hazlett	Thomas Schlueter	

MISSING FROM LIST: (These names have been dropped from NMRA membership list.)

Jack Ellet (as of March) Tim Vaughan (as of May)

THANK YOU to the members who have renewed. We appreciate your support of the hobby.

2009-2010 MEETING DATES

September 20 -
October 18 - Bob Ashley, Jr.
November 1 - RAILROAD FLEA MARKET
November 15
December 19 - Holiday Dinner at Erie Station
January 17 - Sebring Model Railroad Club
February 21 -
March 21 -
April 18 -
May 23 - Jim Dipaolo
June 14 - Chuck Boyer

To sign up to host, contact
Ron Wigal at Rwigal@neo.rr.com
or David Hazlett at dhazlett1@neo.rr.com

CONTEST MODELS FOR SEPTEMBER 2009 - MAY 2010

September - Excessively weathered and/or damaged passenger cars
October - Rolling stock with graffiti
November - Vehicles which are railroad related with name of the railroad on the side. (Examples are speeders, handcars, MOW trucks).
December - no contest
January - Servicing Facilities - steam or diesel
February - Depressed center flat cars with or without loads
March - Excessively weathered and/or damaged freight cars
April - Diesel Locomotives
May - Cabooses

Division Four, Mid Central Region,
 NMRA
 Educational Trip
 To
**CASS, WEST
 VIRGINIA**

Friday October 16 to Sunday October
 18, 2009

Enjoy the fall colors and a ride behind the Shay locomotives to Bald Knob, railway museum and other items of interest at Cass, West Virginia.

We will be traveling to Cass by tour bus and will have a special car on the train for our group. Two meals will be included on Saturday. We will be staying at the Econo Lodge in Beckley, West Virginia on Friday and Saturday nights.

Cost: \$160.00 which includes the bus transportation, railcar, train ticket, box lunch and supper at the Last Run Restaurant in Cass.

Not Included: Hotel, Friday dinner and Sunday lunch and souvenirs. There are restaurants within walking distance of the Econo Lodge.

Continental breakfast will be served at the Econo Lodge Saturday and Sunday mornings. Each person or group which will be staying together will have to make their own reservations with Econo Lodge. We have a group rate of \$99.99 plus tax for each room. Call Econo Lodge to make your reservations at 1-888-259-8542. You must ask for the Mid Central Region NMRA, Division 4 to get the group rate. We have 25 rooms available and reservations must be made by August 15, 2009.

The box lunch will consist of a lunch meat sandwich, chips, fruit, drink and desert. Saturday supper will be a buffet style meal with two entrees, vegetable, baked potato, salad, desert and drink.

We will leave from the Quality Inn in Richfield Friday afternoon at 1:00 PM and return Sunday about

the same time. Parking will be available for the weekend.

The \$160.00 will be due as follows: \$100.00 by July 1, 2009 and the balance by September 11, 2009 (at the regular Division meeting for September).

Cancellation Policy: Current Division 4 cancellation policy will apply. Policy will be given to participants when they pay the initial deposit.

The costs for the trip are based on a breakeven number of 30 participants. The Bus Capacity is 50. If we have over 30 participants excess money will be refunded on a pro rata basis to each participant.

Contact Tom Beutler at (419) 231-1038 with any questions. Make checks out to Division 4, MCR, NMRA and mail to Tom Beutler 196 Marina Point Dr., Sandusky, Ohio 44870.

**June Destinations
 Sunday, June 14, 2009
 Louisville, Ohio**

Don Bonk will host our 2 PM meeting at 7354 Hahn St. Louisville, OH

Don will provide snacks and beverages. Don always has something new and something planned - you never know what it's going to be - ***you're just going to have to be there.***

