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Superintendent's Bulletin



I hope the members that attended the cookout and event on September 22 enjoyed the fellowship and food. The idea for the cookout came from our member and very talented chef's Sam and Trish Eisele. Sam offered to do the cooking if our Division would buy the meat. That was an easy offer to accept. A big thank you to Sam and Trish for some great cooking. And thanks to the Division 1

members who attended and brought the great variety of desserts. The fellowship is priceless.

By now I hope the membership has read Matt Woods' article in the Peddler Freight titled, "The Future of the Monthly Modeling Contest." The article has very interesting points about why members may be reluctant to participate in a contest. So, after the discussion at the September business meeting our Contest Committee Co-Chairs Matt Woods and Lloyd Horst will put together the format for a non-competitive show-and-tell. And like anything else that encourages group participation we need the members of Division 1 to participate. We work together to further the hobby of Model Railroading and to become better modelers. We get together to ask questions. We get together to talk about our models. We get together to have fun. Remember the saying, "It takes a village to raise a child?" Well, it takes a Division to make better modelers. So, I have a challenge to each of you. For the October Event bring something you're working on to show or ask a question about something in which you need help.

Assistant Superintendent Steve Zapytowski and I just returned from the MCR Board of Directors meeting where future conventions were discussed. As previously mentioned, the 2020 convention is being hosted by Division 2 near Pittsburgh. The 2021 MCR Convention will be hosted by Division 12 in Erie, PA. In 2022 there will be a 3 Region Convention in the Indianapolis, IN area, so stay tuned for details. Mark your calendars and we'll have a fun three years of Regional Conventions ahead of us.

In October we'll meet at Sam and Trish Eisele's home in Mantua. The directions are posted elsewhere in the Peddler Freight.

All Aboard!!

Jim DiPaola, Superintendent
NMRA, MCR, Division 1



Div. 1 member Sam Eisele and wife Trish prepare steaks at the September Event held at the Cuyahoga Valley Terminal Model Railroad Club.

2019-20 Division 1 Events

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

October 20 - Sam Eisele, Mantua

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 - TBA

June 28 - Bob Ashley, Jr., Green

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

Division 1, MCR, NMRA Minutes
September 22, 2019
Cuyahoga Valley Terminal Model RR Club, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio

Division 1 members gathered at the Cuyahoga Valley Terminal Model RR Club to celebrate the hosting of a very successful NMRA Regional Convention this past May. Division 1 purchased the meat and Division 1 member Sam Eisele and his wife Trish prepared and cooked the meal. Division 1 members were asked to bring a dessert to pass. The food was excellent and the desserts were plentiful. A good time of fellowship was had by all who attended. The Cuyahoga Valley Terminal Model RR Club opened their layout for viewing.

- 1) Welcome: The business meeting was called to order at 2:30 pm by Superintendent Jim DiPaola.
 - a) Guests: none
 - b) No Contest because of cook out.
- 2) Minutes
 - a) A motion was made to approve the June minutes as published in the Peddler Freight. The motion was seconded and passed.
 - b) A motion was made to transfer \$500.00 dollars into the Module Fund account from the Main account. The motion was seconded and passed.
- 3) Treasurers Report
 - a) Treasurer Mike Bradley reported that the division's finances are healthy. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report subject to audit. The motion passed.
- 4) Committee Reports
 - a) Peddler Freight – Editor Bruce Hukill reported that the cost of printing the Peddler Freight had been reduced and only 11 hard copies were being mailed out. With our costs lower he recommends that the subscription rate for a hard copy be reduced to \$5.00. A motion was made and seconded to reduce the subscription cost to \$5.00. Motion passed.
 - b) Achievement – See Lloyd Horst for any Achievement Programs questions.
 - c) Modules – Module Group Chairman Bob Ashley Jr. reported on upcoming shows the Module Group would be at.
 - d) Membership – Membership Chairman Kurt Sanders reported on his efforts to attract new members at various train shows. The reworking of the Division 1 trifold brochure was discussed. Jim DiPaola to work on this.
- 5) Old Business:
 - a) We need a Clinic chairman.
 - b) We need a Clerk
- 6) Contest Awards
 - a) Contest Co-Chairs Matt Woods and Lloyd Horst handed out awards for the 2018-2019 Contests.
- 7) New Business
 - a) The direction of the model contest was discussed. Should the model contest be in the same format as in the past with the winners being decided by popular vote or should the popular vote be dropped and members bring in what they're working on or have built. This would be a show and tell under a general topic. Matt Woods and Lloyd Horst will work on this.

32 people attended.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed. The business meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm.

Respectively submitted,
Jim DiPaola, Acting Clerk

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Division 1 had a membership information table at the Canfield Train Show on September 21, with successful results. Four HO scale gondolas were sold for a total of \$81.00. Two people were very interested in joining the NMRA, one from Ravenna and one from Akron. Hopefully they will send in the form and become new members of Division 1.

Since a common goal of all members of Division 1 is to increase our membership, your help is needed. I am planning on having a membership information table at the train shows that take place in Division 1. It would be great to have people volunteer to be the second (or third) person at the table. You will help to promote Division 1 and be able to walk around and enjoy the shows since there will always be someone at the table. If you are interested, the next shows are: Mount Hope on November 2 and the two Salem shows, one on January 12, 2020 and the other on April 19, 2020. If you are interested in helping out please contact Kurt Sanders via phone (330-518-4245) or email KSand0906@aol.com.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Kurt Sanders
Membership Chair

Division 1 membership as of September: 99

N-SCALE REPORT

Three quarters of an inch is 10 feet in N-Scale. Remember this and it makes the design of a layout in scale easy.

N-Scale Dealers within what the author considers a reasonable drive. *Rob's Trains* in Alliance - *Sir Troy's Toys* in North Canton - *Hilltop* on Triplett in Akron - *Al's Train & Hobby* in Bedford - *Depot Train & Hobby* in Cleveland - *Hobbytown USA* in Mentor - *Steward's Hobbies & Crafts* in Willoughby - *Esther's Hobby Shop* in Millvale, PA - *Niedzalkoski Train Shop* in Jeannette, PA.

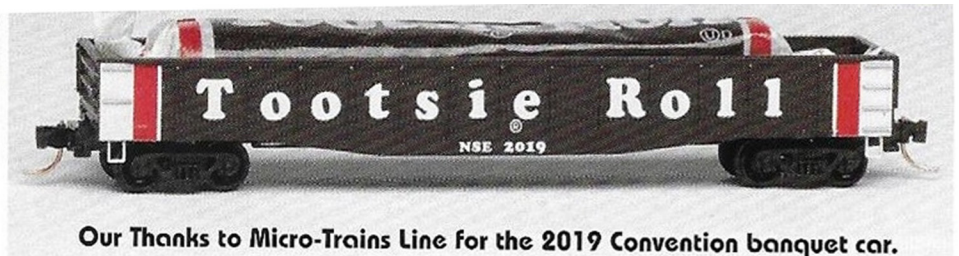
Did you note another NMRA dues increase stating January 1, 2020 was approved by the BOD at the Salt City Convention? This seems to be becoming an annual event.

The next NMRA convention (2020) will be in Saint Louis. Dates are July 12 - 18. The last Convention in St Louis was 1970 so there are sure to be new sites and layouts to see. Planning for NTRAK and T-TRAK layouts are underway so check out the NTRAK newsletter for details. At the Picnic event Sept 22, 2019 Jim Dipaola noted that the convention hotel in St. Louis is 12 blocks from the convention hall. Happy hiking!

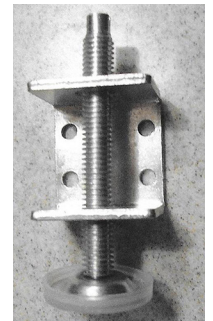
2020 National N scale Convention will be held in Nashville, TN June 21 - June 23 2019, Check Website for details on join in NTRAK and TTRAK layouts.

Last month the Tootsie Roll 2019

N Scale convention car was highlighted and I indicated it would be nice to have one. Therefore Bruce Hukill generously supplied his for the NTRAK module's convention train. Bruce also indicated that the car should not be subjected to extreme heat since the Tootsie Roll in the gondola is the real thing and will melt. Happy cleanup!



Leveling Modules has been one onerous task during set up. Getting down on the floor with a wrench to adjust module height becomes more difficult every year. In the Sept/Oct NTRAK Newsletter, Norm Dotti suggested using "U-Bracket Levelers" shown here which can be adjusted from above with a powered or unpowered screw driver. A set of these levelers was obtained from Amazon and they work as advertised. A cordless Dremel tool with a long screw driver head works well. But, there is a problem with the width at the mounting holes. Holes are near the edges of our module leg and screws could break out at installation or with heavy use. Quarter inch thick wood reinforcing plates the length of the channel should be added (glued) to the bottom of the legs adjacent "U" channel mounting holes.



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



Jim Peters sent this picture from Europe saying, "No new article. I'm too busy riding trains in Europe!" No location mentioned. Any guesses?

Division 1 Picnic at September Event



PEDDLER FREIGHT SUBSCRIPTION FORM

Division 1 has moved to email publishing of the Peddler Freight. There is no cost for the email Peddler Freight. However, if you want to receive the Peddler Freight by regular mail, Division 1 requests that you subscribe in order to support the cost of printing and mailing. Under current rules, you will NOT be denied a copy of the Peddler Freight if you do not subscribe, but your support for Division 1 would be appreciated.

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DIVISION 1 Bring-N-Brag - October Category - Freight Cars or Rolling Stock

FINAL STANDINGS 2018 - 19

STANDARD KIT

Sam Eisele - 6 pts
(1st place)
Frank Williamson - 5 pts
(2nd place)
Glenn Yoder - 4 pts
(3rd place)
Bob Ashley, Jr. - 3 pts
Bruce Hukill - 3 pts
Jim Williams - 2 pts
Matt Woods - 1 pt
Jim DiPaola - 1 pt
Kurt Sanders - 1 pt

KIT - BASHED

Matt Woods - 15 pts
(1st place)
Sam Eisele - 11 pts
(2nd place)
Bob Ashley, Jr. - 7 pts
(3rd place)
Steve Zapytowski - 4 pts
Jim Williams - 4 pts
Glenn Yoder - 4 pts
Jim Peters - 2 pts

CRAFTSMAN KIT

Matt Woods - 12 pts
(1st place)
Sam Eisele - 11 pts
(2nd place)
Kurt Sanders - 4 pts
(3rd place)
Glenn Yoder - 3 pts
Bob Ashley, Jr. - 3 pts

SCRATCH BUILT

Sam Eisele - 14 pts
(1st place)
Matt Woods - 9 pts
(2nd place)
Glenn Yoder - 4 pts
(3rd place)
Kurt Sanders - 3 pts
Frank Williamson - 3 pts
Steve Zapytowski - 3 pts



Kurt Sanders (above right) receives his award from Contest co-chair Lloyd Horst.



Glenn Yoder (above left) admires his award for the Scratch Built category. Sam Eisele (above right) takes a quick break from the grill to receive one of his four awards.

New Contest/Exhibition Format Proposal

Each month, we will designate a broad category for participants to display or exhibit their modeling. Each entrant's name will be put into a drawing for a monthly prize. Additionally, each entrant will have an opportunity to describe or explain their exhibition entry. At the conclusion of the meeting season, certificates or prizes will be given to those who participated the most. If this format is acceptable to the members and the leadership, we will adopt this format going forward.

The topic for October will be: Freight Cars or Rolling Stock. Bring as many models for display as you would like, any era, any scale.

THIS MONTH'S MEETING
Sunday, October 20, 2019
Sam & Trish Eisele
2799 Frost Road
Mantua, Ohio 44255
2 PM

Food will be provided.
A sale table will be available.

7th Year

8th Year



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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

Module Group

Our first show this year will be at Mt. Hope on Saturday, November 2. We will be able to start setting up at 2:00 PM on Friday, November 1 until 7:00 PM. I hope to see more people than we need. You can call me and we can car pool down to Mt. Hope if you would like. I will be taking time off from work to do this so all of the retired members of this group have no EXCUSES. And this will get you in the show free so you can spend your fixed incomes on the important things like more trains. After all God said, "HE WHO DIES WITH THE MOST TRAINS WINS."

Bob Ashley, Jr., Module Chairman
(216) 905-8860
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Train Shows and Open Houses

Old Eli's Train & Toy Show - Oct. 19, 2019

Heritage Center, Rt. 62 between Berlin & Winesburg
3558 State Rt. 62, Millersburg, OH 44654
Admission \$5.00, under 12 Free 10 AM - 3 PM

Medina Model RR & Toy Show - Oct. 27, 2019

Medina County Fairgrounds Community Center
735 Lafayette Rd., Medina, OH
Admission \$6.00, under 12 Free 9 AM - 3 PM

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

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, 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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