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SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Looking for a specific locomotive that isn't commonly available? Brass could be an option, if you can afford it. Or you can try to kit-bash it. On the other hand, you could try to scratch build it. If so, that would satisfy one of requirements to get your AP certificate for master builder for motive power.

I have started down a difficult path. I have decided to try to scratch build a steam locomotive. I have been looking up articles in my Model Railroader magazine collection on DVD 1934-2009. It is interesting to see how many scratch building articles there are over the years. MR has run a series on scratching building several steam locomotives over the 75 year period that include two different types of Consolidations, a light USRA Mikado, a light and heavy USRA Pacific, and a USRA 0-6-0 switcher. It is interesting to read about the construction of these locomotives and the different methods each author follows. The parts were constructed out of sheet or bar brass, copper, mild steel or nickel silver. The other amazing thing is how they constructed these things with basic tools. These articles have given me the inspiration to do one myself, an Erie Mikado type N3 built by Baldwin.

The minimum requirements for a scratch built steam locomotive are to construct the following items from scratch: frame, boiler, cab, tender frame and body, valve gear or main and side rods. Keep in mind, any additional parts made from scratch, such as the stack, domes, pilot, pumps, brake rigging, etc., add points.

Well, off to the drawing board. I need to get the frame and side rods measured and drilled. If I have this part complete by the next meeting, I will bring them along.

This month we are meeting at Mike Bradley's in Rootstown, Ohio. See you there.

Randy Dettmer, Superintendent

Division 1, MCR, NMRA



MEETING DATES 2013-14

May 18 - Mike Bradley

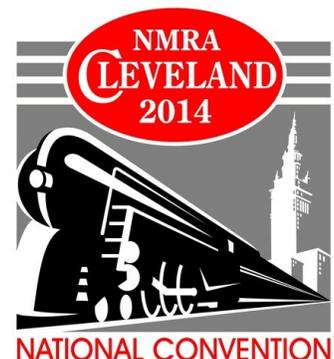
June 15 - Jim DiPaola

Convention 2014 Layout Committee Report

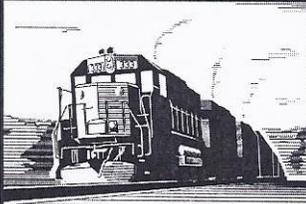
Thank you Steve and especially Patty for the update on Convention 2014. If you attended, Pat was calling out for volunteers. If you wish to volunteer, please see me at the next meeting for a form or send her an email at pgk@skaplanassociation.com. In the meantime, why not visit the convention site and sign up for the fun! <http://www.2014cleveland.org/> All aboard!

Jim Peters

Convention 2014 Layout Committee Co- Chair



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DIVISION 1 CONTEST

CURRENT STANDINGS

STANDARD KIT

Jim DiPaola - 20 pts
Don Bonk - 12 pts
Matt Woods - 8 pts
Mike Bradley - 5 pts
Jim Williams - 5 pts
Bob Anelli - 4 pts
Frank Williamson - 4 pts
Ray Lora - 3 pts
Bruce Hukill - 2 pts
Glenn Yoder - 2 pts

CRAFTSMAN KIT

Don Avila - 9 pts
Don Deakins - 9 pts
Jim Williams - 6 pts
Don Bonk - 2 pts
Bob Weston - 2 pts
Bruce Hukill - 2 pts

KIT-BASHED

Mike Bradley - 27 pts
Jim Williams - 7 pts
Matt Woods - 6 pts
Jim DiPaola - 5 pts
Ray Lora - 4 pts
Frank Williamson - 4 pts
Don Bonk - 2 pts
Don Deakins - 2 pts
Glenn Yoder - 2 pts

SCRATCH-BUILT

Matt Woods - 9 pts
Roy Lora - 4 pts

STANDARD KIT

1st Place

Matt Woods



2nd Place

Don Bonk



3rd Place

Jim DiPaola



Show
Frank Williamson



It is time to start making up the list of contest models for the 2014-15 Contest.

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

CONTEST TOPICS FOR 2013-2014

MAY - TANK CAR
JUNE - AWARDS CEREMONY

KIT-BASHED

1st Place - Mike Bradley



3rd Place - Glenn Yoder



Show - Jim DiPaola



2nd Place - Mike Bradley



SCRATCH BUILT



1st Place - Matt Woods



2nd Place - Ray Lora

CRAFTSMAN KIT

1st Place - Don Deakins



2nd Place - Don Avila



3rd Place - Bruce Hukill



Show - Jim Williams



DIVISION 1 MODEL RAILROAD FLEA MARKET SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2014

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

Contact: Bob Ashley, Jr.

3656 Shikellamy Dr.

Akron, OH 44319-3742

330-645-6175 evenings

tubtoy3656@aol.com

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

email: _____

Number of tables: _____ x \$15 = _____

Limit of 4 tables.

THIS MONTH'S MEETING

will be on Sunday, May 18.

Host: Mike & Kim Bradley

3859 Sanford Rd., Rootstown

330-325-7622

This is the first time that Mike has hosted a meeting. Mike and Kim will be supplying snacks and drinks. He has a great layout with many buildings and railcars. (We have seen his work in his Contest entries.) Like many of us he is still building and laying track.

There will be a flea market at this meeting.

Directions: Travel I-76 to the Route 44 (Rootstown) exit. Go South. You will be in Rootstown when you encounter a traffic signal. That intersection is with Akron Youngstown Road (CH 18). Turn East (a left turn if you are coming from the north). Travel 1.9 miles to SANFORD Rd. Turn Right. Sanford Rd. is flanked by two parts of a lumber warehouse. Mike's house is the 7th house on the right side of the road. There will be a sign to indicate the house.

The meeting starts at 2PM.

N-SCALE

You can have one or a whole fleet of “**Cuyahoga Valley Terminal Gondolas**” this summer. On page 9 of the April 2014 NMRA Magazine *Fox Valley Models* announced the release of Southern Silverside Gondolas.

The first release, delivered with red lettering, is ideal for conversion to “Cuyahoga Valley Terminal” cars. After purchasing a set of red CVT decals from the “Whistle Stop” it is easy to paint out “Southern” with “Testor’s” silver and replace it with the CVT decals. Carefully paint over only the word Southern, then road numbers and reporting marks will already be in place after decaling. Any slight difference in red lettering tint can be attributed to or enhanced with weathering.

FVM states that there will be 50 road numbers available. The BONK RR has two CVT gondolas based upon old “Bachmann” Southern gondolas which look pretty good. Note, these FVM cars are available in both N and HO, but you may need to reserve some at your local hobby shop soon.

Don Bonk

Clinic Report

Once again , thank you, Glenn Yoder, for sharing tips on backdrops, forced perspective and background buildings. In May, at Mike Bradley's, we will be hearing from Matt Woods about modeling buildings.

The remaining clinic for this meeting season will be presented by Jim DiPaola in June.

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

Horseshoe Curve Bus Tour

Division 4 is putting together a tour on Saturday August 4, 2014 of Horseshoe Curve, Gallitzin Tunnel and the Train Museum in Juniata. Two busses will leave and return to Brunswick, OH; actual time and place to be determined. As of 4/30/2014, 56 of the 100 available seats have been sold.

On 5/10/2014, Division 4 will open the remaining seats available to anyone interested to participate in this tour. The cost is \$40 per person and includes all museum entrance fees and two meals (a Subway lunch and a sit down dinner).

Those wishing to participate should contact Bruce Bowie **STARTING MAY 10th** at 419-602-3584 or by email at in2trains@gmail.com. Payments of those getting seats may be mailed to Bruce Bowie, 19 Dayton Ave, Huron, OH 44839.

Train Shows and Open Houses – May thru June

Jamestown National Train Day

May 10 – 10 AM - ?

Erie Train Station, 211-217 West Second St,
Jamestown, NY Free admission

NMRA Mid Central Region Annual Meeting

June 14

Marion Union Station, Marion, OH
Free admission

6th Annual Ohio N Scale Weekend

May 17-18

Franklin Fairgrounds, 4100 Columbia St
Hilliard, OH
Registration \$10, <http://centralohiontrak.org/>

Oil Creek & Titusville Railroad Train Show June

28 & 29 – 9AM – 4:30PM

409 South Perry Street Station, Titusville, PA
Admission \$3, children under age of 10 free

Members Report - May 2014

The membership now stands at 120.

NEW MEMBERS

David Anderson - Tallmadge

Keith Hamilton - Youngstown

Welcome to the new members!

RENEWALS

Donald Avila

Dinon Boyer

Jim DiPaola

James Pope

Barb Randel

Tom Randel

Special Thanks to all those for renewing.

MODULE GROUP

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.

There will be (22) module displays at the 2014 NTS. We are part of the No. 850 HO group consisting of Div 1, Div 4 and Div 5-MCR-NMRA and HUB Div-NER. The very large HUB Division is from Boston and has shown their modules in Europe twice. We will use 6,000 sq. ft measuring 60' x 100'. The scales being displayed are Z, N, HO, HO_{N3}, OO, S, Sn2, O and LEGO.

We need NCE throttles, radio throttles are not necessary, to operate at the 2014 NTS Show in July. I have two and will share them with our members who operate the modules. Please advise me if you can loan throttles to use for use at the show. We will need to operate tethered due to the radio interference from others in the area. Smart Phones with the proper DCC App installed will be usable if Larry Madson has the computer set up. I'm told the batteries do not last very long and having spare batteries is a must.

Anyone who works the 2014 NTS 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. We need to complete this before the 2014 NTS.

The Whistle Stop received the Digitrax DCS200 8 Amp command station, UR92 duplex receiver, PS14 power supply for the UR92. LT1 decoder test kit, 2' LocoNet cable and DT402D Duplex Radio throttle. I have them in my possession and will start to build a new cabinet for them and the (2) American Flyer 250 watt transformers. We still need (2) DB150 Boosters to complete the system. I have agreed to sell the DT402D throttle to Bob Ashley, Jr. since we did not need the throttle for the division and buying it as part of the kit helped to reduce the price of the throttle.

John and Caleb Palagyi have sold their HO module to Dave McMillan and it remains in the division. John and Caleb will still be active in the module group, when time permits. I wish to extend a warm welcome to Jonathan Nungesser, our new member. He is looking to build a module ASAP. If anyone is looking to sell a module, please call him at 1-716.393.0531. We need more members to join in with more modules. I have added two more modules to my coal mine and concrete/cement scenes.

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. 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 or jamestwilliams46@yahoo.com

MAY ELECTIONS

Section 5.18 of the By-Laws states: Unless, after a diligent effort/search, only one candidate is nominated for an officer position; the, in such case, the sole nominee shall be elected by a motion to have an election by acclamation.

Since only one candidate for each office was nominated a motion was made, seconded and passed at the April meeting that the 2014 election would be by acclamation.

For the next two years the Officers of Division 1 will be: Randy Dettmer, Superintendent; Jim Peters, Assistant Superintendent; Mike Bradley, Treasurer.

DIVISION 1 MEETING MINUTES

April 27, 2014

at Rob' Trains in Alliance

1. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm. Superintendent Randy Dettmer thanked Nils Sundberg of Rob's Trains for hosting the meeting. Today's contest is industrial buildings.
2. **Minutes:** A motion and a second to approve the March 2014 as printed in the Peddler Freight. The motion passed.
3. **Treasurer:** Report given. Motion and a second to accept Treasurers report subject to audit. Motion passed.
4. **Membership:** Current Division 1 membership is 119.
5. **Committee Reports:**
 1. **Clinics** – Today's clinic is Back Drops and Model Building by Glenn Yoder.
 2. **AP** – Nothing to report at this time.
 3. **Peddler Freight** – David Hazlett gave overview of current expenses and donations for the Peddler Freight. Cost for the April 2014 issue (mailing and printing of hardcopy) was \$139.15. There were 12 pages. Discussion followed on the future costs and the division may have to use money from the regular funds to cover costs of the Peddler Freight. There was a motion and a second to raise the subscription rate to \$20.00. Motion passed.
 4. **Scale Update** – Model Power/Mantua is going out of business.
 5. **NMRA 2014 Cleveland Convention** – There are ball caps for sale with the 2014 Convention logo on it. Steve and Patty Kaplan gave a presentation on Volunteers needed for the upcoming Cleveland Convention. Profits from the convention will be split 50/50. The first 50% will be split evenly between the 3 Host Divisions. The second 50% will be divided to all 3 Host Divisions based on the number of volunteer hours. All Volunteers must be registered and scheduled through Patty Kaplan for the hours to be counted towards their particular NMRA Division.
 6. **Modules** – Bob Ashley, Sr. reported the on the Module Group. The group received \$175.00 from the Dalton Train Show and is waiting on Digitrax components to come in at The Whistle Stop. Tortoise switch machines and power supplies were purchased.
 7. **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.
6. **Meetings:**
 1. May 18 – Mike Bradley, Rootstown, OH
 2. June 14 – MCR Annual Meeting at Marion, OH
 3. June 15 – Jim DiPaola, Ravenna, OH
 4. July 13-20-NMRA 2014 Convention in Cleveland.
 5. September 21-Don Bonk-Louisville, OH
 6. October 19-Open
 7. November 2-Division 1 Flea Market-Akron Yacht Club
 8. November 16-Whistle Stop
 9. December 6 or 13-Christmas Dinner at the Pufferbelly Restaurant in Kent, OH (Exact date to be confirmed)
7. **Old Business:**
 1. 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.
 2. 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 acclamation (as provided in the Bylaws). There was a motion and a second to elect all three (3) candidates by acclamation as provided in Section 5.18 of the bylaws. Motion passed.
8. **New Business**
 1. Bob Weinheimer, MCR Vice President attended today's meeting and gave an overview of what was going on in the Mid Central Region (MCR) and the upcoming June 14, 2014 MCR meeting in Marion, OH. There will be clinics.
The 50/50 drawing was held. Nils Sunberg was the winner.

Motion and a second to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim DiPaola, Clerk

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