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NMRA North Central Region Division 10

November, 2017

Model Railroad Month

November Meeting

Nine Division 10 members met at Alex Welch's residence for our November meeting. Superintendent Don Westcott advised that he would not be able to attend, and Trainmaster Dan Mitchell called the meeting to order at 7:15pm. Don Westcott did not provide an update about meeting at Kettering, and he will be contacted about the status. Don Harbin and Larry DeMaar discussed some of their ideas for a new Division 10 logo. Wayne Wilder reported that he is in contact with Dave Simmons about setting up a new DIV 10 website, and Alex Welch will develop a Facebook page for DIV 10.

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Huckleberry Railroad 4-6-0 #152 sits on its newly machined drivers, fabricated driving boxes, and new spring on Track 4 in the HRR shops. Work is continuing inside the smokebox, driving rods are being machined, the cab is being rebuilt in the coach restoration shop, and the tender has been shipped out for blasting and painting. From the list on the chalkboard, there is still a lot of work to do before a planned March 2018 test fire.

November has already passed, and I remembered that the NMRA promotes November as National Model Railroad month. Well, I guess I missed it this year, but any time is a good time to enjoy and promote our hobby. Division 10 will not have a December meeting, but will start out 2018 with new officers, and hopefully a new permanent meeting location. Come join us and be a part of the fun. *Wayne*

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NEXT MEETING

We will not have a December meeting. All members are invited to visit the MMRHS train layout at Crossroads Village. See schedule on back.



November Meeting

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Don Harbin reported \$35.00 in the treasury, and Wayne Wilder sent a meeting notice and agenda to all members of DIV 10. Dan Mitchell introduced the nominations for officers: Wayne Wilder, Superintendent (President); Dan Mitchell, Trainmaster (Vice President); Alex Welch, Paymaster (Treasurer); Don Harbin, Chief Clerk (Secretary). A motion was made by Ken Johnson to close the nominations and take a voice vote by acclimation. The motion was supported by Dan Stainton, and a voice vote was taken with all in approval. Show and tell included a PRR rebuilt GLA hopper, modified GN PS2 grain hoppers and Artitec vehicles brought by Dan Mitchell, Rick Ware showed pictures of Durbin WV from a recent trip, Larry DeMaar "The Rainbow Route" book about Silverton railroads, Don Harbin a revised track plan for his layout, Ken Johnson pictures from his Midwest trip to Duluth and Colorado, Wayne Wilder an assortment of old & new boxcars, Alex Welch his layout.

MR 101

Recommended Practices

RP-1 Abbreviations For Use on Drawings. Most of the abbreviations in RP-1 are taken from publication Z32.13-1946 by the American Standards Association. All are the consensus of opinion of the Engineering Committee of the NMRA. RP-1 was compiled by the Electrical Circuits Committee Copyright 1950 and was issued as a Data Sheet March 1950, reclassified as RP January 1957.

Car

Weights

I was recently working on an older wood craftsman kit, and it seemed that the car was rather light in comparison to many of the other plastic models on the layout. I did some research on typical HO freight car weights and found NMRA Recommended Practice RP 20.1 for car weights. An HO car should weigh 1 ounce + 1/2 ounce for each 1 inch of body length. A typical 40 foot box car should then weigh about 3.75 ounces.

Interchange Tracks Part 1 by Rich Mahaney

For many years I have collected model railroad engines, freight cars, and passenger cars. I enjoy the railroad time period of the 1950's and 1960's. The time period when engines and cars had wonderful colors painted on them. It was also a period of time when railroads were great and there were lots of individual railroads before the many mergers over the last 10 years. I wanted to have a model railroad but could not decide which railroad to model. Should I model the Michigan railroads I was familiar with, should I model a mountain railroad, should I model a railroad that crosses the prairies of the US, or should I model an eastern railroad with a long history of operations. *(Continued)*



Trains Shows Swap Meets

26th Annual Riverbend Train Show

Saturday, January 6
10:00am – 3:00pm
Home School Building
5625 Burlingame Ave.
Wyoming, MI
www.rmrrc.org

Ann Arbor Model RR Train Show and Sale

Saturday, February 17
10:00am – 4:00pm
Sunday, February 18
10:00am – 3:00pm
Saline Middle School
Saline, MI
www.a2trainshow.com

Local Area Events

Christmas at Crossroads Holiday Magic

November 24-26
December 1-3
December 8-10
December 15-17
December 21-23
December 26-30
4:00pm - 9:00pm

Detroit Model Railroad Club

Open House Show Dates
December 2 & 3
December 9 & 10
Noon – 5:00pm
104 N. Saginaw
Holly, MI
www.dmrrc.org

Regional Events And Conventions

NCR 2018 Convention Lansing Lashup 2018

October 11-14, 2018
Ramada Conv. Center
7501 W. Saginaw Hwy.
Lansing, MI
www.nmranrdiv5.com

Lansing Model Railroad Club Open House

Sunday, Feb. 11, 2018
Noon – 5:00pm
5309 Old Lansing Rd.
Corner of Millett Hwy.
Lansing, MI
www.lmrc.org

National Events And Conventions

NMRA National Convention 2018

August 5 – 12, 2018
Westin Kansas City at
Crown Center
www.kc2018.org/

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