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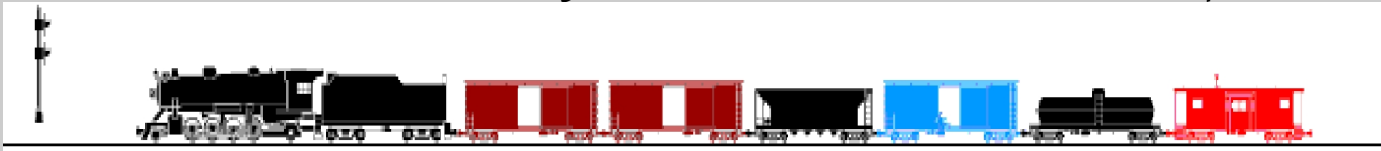
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Division 1, Pacific Northwest Region, NMRA

September 2008



Division 1 Mini-meet October 4 in Eugene

Hey railroaders! Time to mark your calendar and make travel plans. The Division 1 Fall Mini-meet is set for Saturday, October 4, in west Eugene, just off the beltway. The address is: 1836 Summerfield Ave, Eugene 97402

Directions to the Summerfield estates in West Eugene.

From I-5, take the Belt Line west exit (Exit 195?) for 6.8 miles to Barger Drive. Turn right (West) onto Barger and proceed 0.8 miles to N. Terry St. Turn left (South) on N. Terry St. for 0.2 miles then turn right into Summerfield Estates on Summerfield Ave (There will be a Summerfield Estates sign at the entrance). After going through the gate, turn left on Summerfield Ave for approx. 174 yards. The estates "clubhouse" is a large white 2 story building on the right.

Mike Adams says: "I hope to put a few signs up in the park to simplify directions. Hours will be from 9 AM - 2 PM?"

I will be there approx. 8 AM I am working on getting a few home layouts for tours along with the Lane Society of Model Railroaders just north of Junction City. (about 15 minutes away.

There will be refreshments. Food locations on both Barger area and West 11th Ave (About 4 miles.)

My phone # is **541-461-0156** or a cell # **541-913-5865** "

Note: The planning committee says that we need door prizes - that kit or model that has been sitting on a shelf for years might be built or used if given to someone else. Donations would be greatly appreciated.

Also, Mini-meet Clinics - we need people to step forward and share their experiences. They don't have to be "experts." Please let Ed Schaezner - edschaenzer1@verizon.net - know if you have a clinic idea. You could earn points for the Model Railroad Author Achievement.

Superintendent's Report, Ed Schaezner, Div. Supt.

First Division has had a successful year.

Five members completed the AP Judges clinic given by Jack Hamilton at the Boise convention in 2007 and are now certified AP judges. Two of them made up one of the two teams that judged the

entries in the Model Contest at the Boise convention. Since then we have had AP judges available at all of our mini-meets. Several members have earned a Golden Spike award or an AP certificate.

Two mini-meets were held this past year. A fall 2007 mini-meet was held in the Newport/Toledo area. It was hosted by Bill Bain. Two home layouts were available and five clinics were given.

A spring 2008 mini-meet was held in Roseburg with over a 40% member turnout. It was co-hosted by Nick Lehrbach and Dirk Kruysman. There were four home layouts open for viewing and five clinics were presented. Two of the clinics were given by commercial interests - Mr. Campbell of Campbells Scale Models and Mr. John Sipple, editor of Model Railroad News.

Lee Temple gave 1st Division a table at the Eugene Train Show and Swap Meet this Spring. Gene Neville, Dirk Kruysman, Nick Lehrbach and Ed Schaezner manned the table for two days while promoting membership in the NMRA.

Two grants were awarded this past year. A \$200 grant was given to the *South Coast Model Railroaders Club* in North Bend. A \$300 grant was given to the *Ochoco Valley Railroad Club* of Prineville.

Division 1 BOD had many e-mail exchanges and one meeting in preparation of Division One's turn to host a PNR Convention. The subject was discussed at the PNR Board of Directors meeting in Chilliwack, BC. The tentative plans are as follows:

The Date has been changed to 2012,
The location will be Medford, Oregon,
It will be a joint convention of the PNR and the PCR,
It will be hosted by Division 1.

I hope to see all of you at the Fall Mini-meet October 4.

Opportunity For Merit Judging

Members who need merit judging on NMRA Achievement Award projects are reminded that there will be judges in attendance to cover this requirement.

There have been many good helps for the Achievement program published in *Scale Rails*, with a monthly series of information on the various awards. Jack Hamilton has also been writing a series in

PNR's *Switchlist*. Almost everyone with a home layout can qualify for the *Gold Spike Award*. Most, with just a little additional work can complete requirements for *Master Builder - Scenery*, *Model Railroad Engineer - Civil*, *Master Model Railroad Engineer - Electrical*, *Model Road Engineer - Dispatcher*.

If you have portable projects, pack them carefully and bring them to the mini-meet for judging. You are reminded that you will need the necessary exhibits and paperwork filled out and ready. See the NMRA Achievement Awards link on the organization main page for both the requirements and the downloadable pdf. format documents. The web address is:

<http://www.nmra.org/education/achievement/apcat.html>

In addition, it would be helpful if you would contact one of the following to let them to know to expect you

Ed Schanzezer, Superintendent, at:
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Gene Neville, Education Chair, at:
geneneville@earthlink.net
Glenn Edmison, AP Chair, at:
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Those members who have immovable home or club layouts that need to be judged where they are should be reminded that a visiting team can be arranged. Contact one of the above to make these arrangements

Submitted by Glenn Edmison.

Club News

On Saturday June 28th, *The Eastern Cascades Model Railroad Club* and it's division, *Central Oregon Area Live Steamers* hosted a very successful and newsworthy special open house for the Candlelighters, families with children being treated for cancer. The club provided rides on the 1/8th size trains on the club's property, but also gave the children a chance to operate on the HO scale layout. The activities give the whole family fun and positive things to do together. The interest was evident in all who attended. Certainly the great publicity generated for the club was deserved for their "good turn."

The Ochoco Valley Railroad Club of Prineville demonstrated their good faith to the Crook County Fair Board, and for the grant provided by Division 1 by hosting their grand opening during the Crook County Fair. Their building remodel is largely complete, bench work is in place. Track and wiring are operational, and some scenery depicting the City of Prineville Railroad and its main line links is beginning to reflect that unique site. The Digitrax DCC system was working fine when this reporter visited. The club has much to be proud of for the progress made in just over a year. Should you wish to visit, contact Brad Peterson at this number: **(541) 447-6158**

Other Club News: We will be glad to publish news from other clubs that are doing interesting things. It would be helpful if each club would appoint a news correspondent, or at least have the club secretary send items. If you let us know who that person is, we will put together a reminder list .

Achievement Program Certificates Earned

The following members earned AP Certificates since last August according to **Scale Rails**.

Edward Schanzezer, Coquille, MB Scenery, MR Engineer-Electrical, Association Volunteer
Dirk Kruysman, Roseburg; Gold Spike, Association Official
Will Leeds, Depoe Bay; Gold Spike, MB Car, MB Structures, MB Scenery, MR Engineer-Electrical, MR Engineer-Civil, Association Volunteer.

The Brakeman's Rag:

Please note that work is underway to publish an E-Mail version of this newsletter We have E-mail addresses for most members, from the PNR regional office. Those addresses will be used for future mailings of this publication unless you tell us otherwise. Print copies will go to those for whom we do not have E-mail addresses. It is a board-of-directors decision that special mailings of print copies will be made when ballots are concerned

A Favorite Tool

Here are some especially useful tools suggested by members.:

Look at your local charity store for a long, thin, flexible knife. When kept sharp it will become a favorite for hand-carving built-up scenery foam. It easily, and cleanly slices chunks saving a lot of time, effort, and cleanup..

Two favorite tools for applying ballast are an old teaspoon and a soda straw. The spoon works well for long track runs, both between the tracks and at the edges. The straw works well for tight places like within switches.

Keep Bright Boy track cleaners free of gunk by just scrubbing with soap and water, and letting it dry.

. Bring a Model to the Mini-Meet

*** Display it proudly**

*** Enter it in the favorite model contest**

***Have it judged by AP Judges**

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Reminder about the **Medford Train Show**, Thanksgiving weekend. Contact Bruce McGarvey lwccr@charter.net
Ed Schaezner won a 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in model photography and 1st in on-line and 2nd in off-line structures at Chilliwack. Good job, Ed!