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## The Editors Corner:

**Dave Puthoff**

The Division 7 Family Picnic will be held on Sunday June 8 at Fernbank Lodge at Fernbank Park in Sayler Park. Because of the size of the venue, Registrations are limited to the first 100 people!

Deadline for Registrations is June 1

Details are on Page 18.

If you have a photo, or a useful tip, or maybe just a useful website that you would like to share, the Oil Can is an opportunity to share it with your fellow model railroaders. Email it to [editor@cincy-div7.org](mailto:editor@cincy-div7.org).

*Dave*

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*Space permitting, The Oil Can* welcomes news items, articles and letters on Model Railroading and related topics. Deadline for submissions is generally the fifteenth of the month preceding the next meeting.

**Cover: Scene from Curt LaRue's HO Layout**

**Photo by Dave Puthoff**



April's meeting was filled with highlights for the 60 odd attendees. Three new members introduced themselves, bringing our number up to 225, and then...

We were treated to an interesting and well presented clinic by Cheryl and Lou Sassi on their "Sandy River & Rangeley Lakes RR" On30 layout.

Bruce Knapp was presented with a plaque in recognition of his sixteen years of service as the division's Secretary. Bruce has been a stalwart member and very active supporter of Division 7 for 45 years. He will continue to serve with his test track at our shows and is the backup operator of our monthly (and very honest) raffle. Thank you, Bruce!

Bob Kress received his well-deserved certification as Master Model Railroader #786. Congratulations Bob! Assistant Superintendent Tony Valerius was presented with an Achievement Award for Association Volunteer. Congratulations to Tony as well! Frank Koch also presented me with the Association Official Award, due to my 3+ years of service as Superintendent.

Chris Shackleton was introduced as Division 7's new Secretary and member of the Executive Committee. Chris' talents and enthusiasm for the NMRA will prove to serve our division well. Welcome aboard Chris!

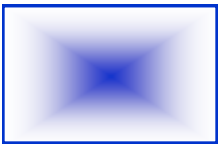
It is that time again. The annual picnic is just a few weeks away. This has become a very popular Division 7 event. It's a great opportunity for our new members to get to know others in a relaxed and fun atmosphere. Don't dally on securing your reservation as it is limited to the first 100 respondents. The particulars and reservation form can be found in this Oil Can.

The 2025 Flea Market was successful and fun. Even though the weather hurt attendance some, the show still drew well over 700 paying attendees. We had a record number of vendors and tables. Another job well done by Chair Gary Ossenschmidt, Registrar Roy Hord and more than 40 other volunteers.

Volunteering is not only a way to "give back" to the organization that has provided you with many member benefits, but it is also FUN! Working as a team for a common goal fosters comradery and friendships. Don't be a shrinking violet, come join the fun by helping at shows, becoming a backup in the Continuity Program and importantly, be a part of our full-featured 2027 Regional Convention, *"The Cincinnati"*.

**"Don't wait for people to be friendly, show them how" -- Henry James**





**Strange Times** – Well, of late, it seems that I have been in the basement more to take shelter from the weather than to work on modeling. Twice, in the span of a number of days, my wife and I had to scurry to the shelter of the basement because of tornadoes. One started in West Chester and died just before it made it to Morrow where I live. The second one went over part of the neighborhood at 1:10 am with the accompanying winds damaging homes outside the official path. I was fortunate that we were spared serious damage but it was closer than I ever wanted to be to a tornado. We were without power for about 16 hours. I hope everyone takes care and is well prepared for severe weather with weather alerts on radio or phone and good flashlights ready, if needed. Now, I hope to get back to the planned use of my basement which is much more fun.

**April 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting** – Our meeting was at the American Legion Post #194 in Mason, Ohio with a wonderful clinic by visiting guests Lou & Cheryl Sassi. We saw the passing of the torch at the Secretary position with Bruce Knapp handing over the position to our new secretary, Chris Shackleton. Our new AV team member, Don Hoffman, came and assisted while learning about the routine setup and operation. Our after-meeting layout visits were at the homes of Ric Case and Curt LaRue to see their wonderful layouts. Thanks to all for making this another great meeting.

**Volunteers Needed**—At the February meeting, I asked for volunteers to become part of our AV team that is so critical to the enjoyment of our monthly meetings. This is an excellent way to get involved with Division 7. Volunteers do not need to be experts in computers or AV equipment. If you have used a computer and taken pictures with a camera, you already have many helpful skills. Familiarity with Zoom and/or audio equipment is helpful but we can train you on the other things you need to know. If you are interested or have questions, please email me at [tony.valerius@gmail.com](mailto:tony.valerius@gmail.com) or call me at (513) 375-6303.

### **Coming Up:**

**Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup>** – Our meeting will be held at the Mt. Carmel American Legion Hall with a clinic by visiting guest Gary Hoover on “Proto-Freelance N&W in the 1950’s.” The Model and Photo Contests will be Non-Steam Locomotive. Our after-meeting layout visits will be to the homes of Steve Rineair and Zach Riggins.

**Sunday June 8<sup>th</sup>** – Family Picnic/Social at Fernbank Park in Cincinnati, Ohio. ***Save the Date.*** We will again have food, games, and door prizes. Registration will be by June 1<sup>st</sup>. See the flyer on our website and in this issue of the Oil Can for cost, details and registration form. Remember, registration is limited to the first 100 people that sign-up. Following the April meeting we have at least 33 members & guests signed up with others taking home sign-up sheets to send to Roy Hord. Don’t get left out. Get registered today!

**Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup>** – Our meeting will be held at the Erlanger Branch of the Kenton County Library with a clinic by John Burchnall and I on the “Midwest Railway Preservation Society.” The Model and Photo Contests will be “Any Passenger Train Car”. Our after-meeting layout visits will be to the homes of Georgia Dahlberg, MMR and Jim Conrad.

***Happy Modeling!***

*Tony*

**Division 7 MCR, NMRA**  
**American Legion Post 194**  
**April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Welcome:** Start time 2:04PM. Restrooms, recognize new members and guests.

**New Members:**

- Randy Blackmore
- Bob Binder
- Ted Knight

**Sick Call:**

- Don Rigling

**Officer Reports**

**Superintendent [Endreola]:**

- Seeking new Video Library Chair. Video library is an important benefit of the division. Speak to Chuck if interested.
- Introduction of new Secretary.
- Recognition of Bruce Knapp's service and tenure as Secretary.
- Most recent orientation had 5 new members and 1 tenured member. Super acknowledges 8 orientation volunteers.

**Asst. Superintendent [Valerius]:**

- Recognize A/V team for month: Gary Ossenschmidt, Phil Wilkin, Bob Shreve, Don Hoffman.
- Next meeting will be at Mt. Carmel American Legion Hall on Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Note this is a week earlier than usual due to Mother's Day.
  - Clinic presented by Gary Hoover on the "Proto-Freelance N&W in the 1950's."
  - Contest topic for both model and photo is "Non-Steam Locomotive."
  - After-meeting layout tours will be to the homes of Steve Rineair and Zach Riggins. Steve models the N&W and Zach has a garden railroad.
- Buckeye Express MCR Convention in Columbus in May. Hope to see you there.

**Secretary [Shackleton]:**

- Thank you to the BOD and division for the appointment, excited to get started!

**Treasurer [Koch]:**

- Division in good financial standing.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Awards: [Koch]**

- Bob Kress, Master Model Railroader #786, Master Builder – Cars, Prototype Models certificate
- Tony Valerius, Association Volunteer
- Chuck Endreola, Association Official

### **Membership: [Shields]**

- Membership is 225, up 4 from last meeting. Thank you to Joe Stuber for running the sign-in table and welcoming everyone to the meeting.

### **Flea Market: [Ossenschmidt]**

- Thank you to the 40+ volunteers who helped make the Flea Market a success!
- 726 paid attendees despite weather
- 257 tables this year, up from 230 last year. 93 vendors.
- Vendors and concessions pleased, the girl scouts even ran out of cookies.
- Next year's flea market will be March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

### **Model RR Roundtable: [Lawson in place of Swanson]**

- May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025. Bob Lawson will host, topic will be structures.

### **2027 MCR Convention: [Burchnall]**

- New logo unveiled.
- Kick off meeting was well-attended. Talk to Chuck if you are interested in getting involved.
- Convention will be 6/3-6/6, 2027.
- Extremely important for Division 7 members to attend and get involved.

## **Announcements**

- Phil Wilkin: Selling sections of Don Rigling's benchwork, contact Phil if interested. Various sized pieces, everything must go!
- Tony Valerius: Sign-up for picnic, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at Fernbank Park.

**Break:** 20 minutes contest voting, purchase raffle tickets

**Raffle: [Bruce Knapp]:** Definitely not rigged.

**Clinic:** Cheryl & Lou Sassi – "Tour the On30 Sandy River & Rangeley." John Burchnall introduced guest clinicians. Asst. Superintendent presented gift to guest clinicians.

**Layout visits:** Curt LaRue & Ric Case

**Meeting adjourned:** 3:56PM

Respectfully compiled and submitted by:

**Chris Shackleton, Secretary Division 7, MCR, NMRA**

# DIVISION 7 MEMBERS' AWARDS



**Bob Kress - Master Model Railroader # 786**



**Bob Kress - Master Builder (Cars, Prototype Models)**

# DIVISION 7 MEMBERS' AWARDS



Photo by Dave Puthoff

**Chuck Endreola - Association Official**



**Bruce Knapp - Division 7 Service**

Photo by John Burchnell



**Tony Valerius - Association Volunteer**

Photo by Dave Puthoff



# Model Railroading Roundtable Invitation

**Host** – Bob Lawson

**Topic** – Building Structures for Your Layout

**Date and Time** – Saturday, May 3, 2025, from 1-4 pm

**Location** – 7532 Wetherington Drive, Westchester OH 45069

**Maximum Number of Attendees** – 8

**Response** – [boblawsonnmra@gmail.com](mailto:boblawsonnmra@gmail.com)

Model railroading offers variety to a person in so many areas:

New friendships.... Operations.... Electrical wiring with many sophisticated products available today... Layout design.... Track work can be an art... Locomotives are probably a main focus 100% of the time.... Freight and passenger cars.... Redi built/kits/scratch in every facet....Scenery is very broad....Scene details, figures, artistic painting of everything.... Photography.... Regional shows....

**BUT, THIS LIST and MORE ARE ALL ENHANCED BY STRUCTURES!!!**

I believe that I can introduce you to the importance of utilizing structures to enhance your layout. Choose from ready built, kits, or kit bashed structures. All railroads become real with attention to the structures especially when they are built on scenic bases. This is true, even on the smallest structures similar to the outhouses you may have seen peddled occasionally at Division 7 shows.

1. First , choose an era for your railroad. That determines choices for almost every category listed above. There are many modelers who choose to “freelance everything”. All of these choices will be a good guide.
2. Next choose the “scene” in which each structure will be a part of. This means rail yard, small towns, city, rural, or others.
3. Learn about suppliers, available materials, kits, and more.

I believe that I can introduce you to this wonderful area of model railroading. My new railroad is being built at a very “high level” by Division 7 members who all are new to the category “structures”, as well as many of the ones listed above.



**In addition to Bob’s wit and wisdom, you’ll be able to study dozens (if not hundreds) of structures installed on his layout and stowed in the wings.**

## Cincinnati Division 7's Model Railroading Roundtable for 2025

Completing our initial year of Division 7's Model Railroading Roundtable (MRR) program, which allows a small group of like-interested folks to gather in a local home or meeting place and learn a new skill related directly to the model railroading hobby, we have another slate of roundtables to offer this year. We'd first like to thank those eight hosts and two-dozen participants that made the program a success in 2024.



Participants carving rock outcroppings from foam was an MRR held in October at Chuck Endreola's home.

Four more MRRs are scheduled for this year. Some are continuations from last year, and some are completely new programs. Details of Ed's MRR are below, along with the list of programs and tentative months they'll be offered.

### 2025 MRR Program

Upcoming roundtables include the following topics and hosts. Detailed descriptions of each follow the summary table.

Month	Host	Topic
May	Bob Lawson	Scratchbuilding and Kitbashing Structures
July	Ed Swain	Layout Planning and Building Urban Corridors
August	Chuck Endreola	Carving Rockwork from Foam Insulation
September	Mike Tener	Dead Rail Locomotive Control

### Model Railroading Roundtable Invitation

**Host** – Ed Swain

**Topic** – The Operating System on the Middle Division

**Date and Time** – Saturday, July 12, 1 to 3PM

**Location** – 6469 Winter Hazel Drive, Liberty Township

**Maximum Number of Attendees** – 6

**Response** – edwardswain@aol.com

We will discuss in detail the operating system I use and why I chose this approach. This MRR should be of interest to those new to pototypical operations, along with many years of experience operating model railroads.

## LEADERSHIP CONTINUITY PLAN STATUS

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>Present Holder</u>	<u>Back Up(s)</u>
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Social Media Chair	Pam Moleski	Nancy Windes
Registrar	Roy Hord	Steve Brown
Fall Show Chair	Rick Crumrine	Gary Ossenschmidt
Spring Flea Market	Gary Ossenschmidt	Rick Crumrine
Table Sales/Floor Plan	Roy Hord	<b>open</b>
Street Signs Distributor	John Burchnall	<b>open</b>
Contest Chair	Roy Allan	John Listermann
Car Projects	Paul Maciulewicz	<b>open</b>
Community Service	Larry Bonhaus	<b>open</b>
Company Store	Paul Musselman	<b>open</b>
Video Library	<b>open</b>	<b>open</b>
Modelers Aid	Bruce Knapp/Sam Parfitt	<b>open</b>
A/V Meeting Operators	- several -	<b>open</b>

If you are interested in volunteering to back-up any of these open positions, please contact Chuck Endreola or the "Present Holder" for a description of duties.

Both New, and Veteran members are encouraged to become active in Division operations. Participation is rewarding!

## Introducing the Cincinnati Division 7 Groups.io Discussion Group/Forum.

### What is it?

Groups.io was introduced in 2014.

Some of you may already be aware of “Groups.io” and are using it. I belong to the “HO Swap” group (and many others) which is a place for people to buy and sell model railroad stuff. It’s way better than eBay because there are no fees. But I digress...

It is basically an email list that facilitates communication within a group of people about a common interest. I think of it as a “push” communications tool since it sends an email to all members when something new is posted. Similar to email, but that requires the sender to have everyone’s email address in their address book and then remembering to add EVERYBODY to that individual email. Groups.IO simplifies that task.

So, we’ve established a “Cincinnati Division 7 NMRA” group on that site whose purpose is to facilitate communication within Cincinnati Division 7 (NMRA, Mid-Central Region). Any member may post at any time. Posts must be relevant to the hobby of model railroading and/or the business of Cincinnati Division 7

### What is it for?

It can be used to post things like (but not limited to):

- \* Inviting people to an upcoming Op Session of yours
- \* Asking for help on a modeling issue you may have
- \* Sharing a modeling technique, tip or trick.
- \* Posting items for sale
- \* Sick call
- \* Notification of the death of a member
- \* Requesting help for an upcoming Division Train Show or Flea Market
- \* Coordinating car-pooling activities for an out-of-town event.

### Notification

After joining, you can choose how frequently you want to receive notifications of a post. Here are the possible options:

**Individual Messages:** Receive each message, as they are posted, in an individual email.

**Full Featured Digest:** Receive up to 12 messages grouped together in one email instead of receiving each message individually (rich text formatting).

**Plain Digest:** Receive up to 12 messages grouped together in one email instead of receiving each message individually (plain text formatting).

**Daily Summary:** Receive one email every morning that contains only a list of the topics posted to the group the previous day.

**Special Notices Only:** Receive only special notices sent by the moderators. (Go to the group's website to view other messages.)

I would recommend the “Full Featured Digest” to start with as I don’t expect a significant amount of daily posts to the group and this way you will still be notified in a timely manner.

### Joining

Groups.io is free for up to 100 people. After that they charge a fee. We’ve started with the Division 7 BOD and Committee heads. If this thing takes off and becomes popular, the BOD will reassess and determine if we want to subscribe for a monthly fee to accommodate the demand.

Anyone who wants to join the group can simply search on “groups io cincinnati nmra” and you will be taken to the front door. From there simply request membership and I will get notified. I will approve any Cincinnati Division 7 NMRA Member in good standing.

**NOTE:** All posts must be free of disrespectful, derogatory, and/or inflammatory language and/or false statements. Behavior here will be civil with constructive criticism being the standard.

Cincinnati Division 7 NMRA Groups.io Moderator  
**Paul Maciulewicz**





## CINCINNATI DIVISION 7, MCR, NMRA APRIL 2025 CONTEST RESULTS



### MODELS: STEAM LOCOMOTIVES

<b>Kit-Built:</b>	1st Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	Eagle River 0-4-0 #19
	2nd Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	Union Pacific 4-8-8-4 #4023
	3rd Place:	Georgia Dahlberg MMR	WW II Russian Armored Locomotive

<b>Kit-Bashed:</b>	1st Place:	Chris Shackleton	Texas Pacific 2-10-4 #610
	2nd Place:	Jim Rollwage	Union Pacific 4-8-4

**Scratch-Built:** No entries this month

**Junior Div:** No entries this month

### PHOTOGRAPHY: STEAM LOCOMOTIVES

<b>Prototype:</b>	1st Place:	John Burchnall	3-Truck Shay #4 at PA Lumber Museum
	2nd Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	Western Maryland 3-Truck Shay #6
	3rd Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	Norfolk & Western #475
<b>Models:</b>	1st Place:	John Burchnall	Pennsylvania RR 2-8-0 #8014
	2nd Place:	John Burchnall	RJP Logging 0-4-0 Loco at CA State RR Museum
	3rd Place:	Ben Hallenbeck	Union Pacific #3977
<b>Junior Div:</b>	1st Place:	Shane Stephens	L&N Locomotive in Service
	2nd Place:	Shane Stephens	L&N 2-8-4 #1961

### 2025 STANDINGS THROUGH APRIL

#### MODELS

Ben Hallenbeck	8	Lee Drake	3	Jim Rollwage	2
Roy Allan	5	Chris Shackleton	3	Mike Reynolds	2
Bob Frankrone (Div 8)	4	Steve Montgomery	3	Georgia Dahlberg MMR	1
Tom Brueggemann MMR	4	Will Gregory	3	Bob Rinker	1

#### PHOTOGRAPHY

John Burchnall	21	Patrick Stanley	3
Ben Hallenbeck	6	Roy Allan	1
Bob Rinker	4		

**JUNIOR DIVISION MODELS** No entries yet this year

**JUNIOR DIVISION PHOTOS** Shane Stephens 5

### MAY CONTEST TOPICS

#### MODELS: NON-STEAM LOCOMOTIVES

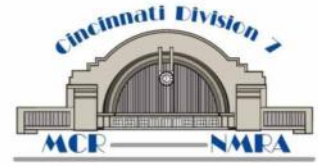
#### PHOTOGRAPHY: NON-STEAM LOCOMOTIVES

Roy Allan

Cincinnati Division 7 Contest Chair



**CINCINNATI DIVISION 7  
MID CENTRAL REGION, NMRA  
2025 CONTEST THEMES**



<b>MONTH</b>	<b>MODELS</b>	<b>PHOTOGRAPHY</b>
<b>January</b>	<b>Caboose</b> (any EOT device freight train car)	<b>Caboose</b> (any EOT device freight train car)
<b>February</b>	<b>Hopper or Gondola Car</b> (open or closed)	<b>Hopper or Gondola Car</b> (open or closed)
<b>March</b>	- No contest (Flea Market) -	- No contest (Flea Market) -
<b>April</b>	<b>Steam Locomotive</b>	<b>Steam Locomotive</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>Non-Steam Locomotive</b>	<b>Non-Steam Locomotive</b>
<b>June</b>	- No contest (Picnic) -	- No contest (Picnic) -
<b>July</b>	<b>Passenger Car</b> (including head end cars)	<b>Passenger Car</b> (including head end cars)
<b>August</b>	<b>Dirt or Road Motor Propelled Vehicle</b>	<b>Dirt or Road Motor Propelled Vehicle</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>Tank or Flat Car</b> (with or without load)	<b>Tank or Flat Car</b> (with or without load)
<b>October</b>	<b>Maintenance-of-Way (MOW) Equipment</b>	<b>Maintenance-of-Way (MOW) Equipment</b>
<b>November</b>	<b>Building or Bridge</b>	<b>Building or Bridge</b>
<b>December</b>	<b>Box, Refrigerator or Stock Car</b>	<b>Box, Refrigerator or Stock Car</b>

**Contest Sub-Classes**

**MODEL (up to 3 total entries permitted): Kit-Built, Kit-Bashed or Scratch-Built**

**PHOTO (up to 3 total entries permitted): Model or Prototype**

**Sept 2, 2024**



## DIVISION 7 - COMMITTEE REPORTS May 2025



**Superintendent** (Chuck Endreola): As a member in good standing of Division 7, you have the opportunity to attend BOD (Board of Directors) meetings. You may voice your opinion and/or introduce new ideas and suggestions. At this time, the BOD meets via Zoom. The meetings are held each quarter, and each has a different Zoom link. Contact Tony Valerius, John Burchnall or me each time and we'll gladly email you the link. Hope to see you there.

**Recruitment and Retention** (John Shields): The "latest" information from National (as of April 1) shows our current count is 225.

We have four new members to welcome from the last month:

Charles Cain of Independence, KY

Randy Blackmore of Franklin, OH

Doug and Cheri Helton of Cold Spring, KY

Thank you to the thirteen members who renewed in the last month.

John Shields

[Qcngineers@aol.com](mailto:Qcngineers@aol.com)

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**MCR Report** (John Shields): No report this month

**National Report** (Frank Koch / Pam Moleski): No report this month

**Achievement Program** (Frank Koch): See photos elsewhere in this Oil Can.

**Car Projects** (Paul Maciulewicz): See the Car Project Announcement elsewhere in this Oil Can

**Oil Can** (Dave Puthoff): Submissions for the June Oil Can are due by May 17.

**Monthly Raffle** (Russ Poynter): No report this month

**Community Service** (Larry Bonhaus): No report this month

**Modelers Aid** (Bruce Knapp / Sam Parfitt): No report this month

**Fall Train Show** (Rick Crumrine): No report this month

**Spring Flea Market** Gary Ossenschmidt / Roy Hord): No report this month

**Operations Activities** (Rick Stern): No report this month

**Facebook Page** (Pam Moleski): No report this month

**Web Site** (John Burchnall): July Meeting Details added, name of Secretary changed.

**Video Library** (*Open*): No report this month

**YouTube** (David Lamb): No report this month

# The Buckeye Express Convention - May 15 - 18, 2025

Hello Division 7,

If you haven't yet registered for the convention, here's a last reminder that there's still time. You can register online until May 15th. However, if you want to attend the banquet, register by **May 3rd**. You can also register in-person on the first day of the convention. The direct link **to register for the convention** is:

<https://nmradivision6.regfox.com/nmrabuckeyedivision>

If you plan to stay *overnight*, hotel rooms must be booked by **Wednesday, April 23rd** to get our convention rate. You can access the **hotel reservation page** via the convention website or directly **here**:

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/2025natlmodelrailroad-95h/>

A few slots are still available for the hands-on scenery clinic on Friday morning. During this 3-hour clinic, participants will have an opportunity to make 3 different types of trees, practice basic ground cover techniques, improve the appearance of trackwork and ballast, stain or paint rock castings, practice 3 different road-making techniques, and create a water feature using UV epoxy water, plus additional tips and techniques. Thanks to support from our sponsor Scenic Express and donations provided by Division 6 members, the cost for this clinic is only \$25 and all materials and tools will be provided (including the make-and-take base module similar to the one shown).

We also expect to have a *second* convention car in stock in time for the convention. This one a Tichy tank car lettered for the Buckeye Fuel Oil company.

For more details on all of the activities, continue reading below; we hope to see you soon. If you have already registered, thanks, and we WILL see you soon!

On Apr 8, 2025, at 8:40 AM, NMRABuckeyeDivision <[NMRABuckeyeDivision@gmail.com](mailto:NMRABuckeyeDivision@gmail.com)> wrote:

BUCKEYE EXPRESS 2025

<https://buckeyeexpress.div6-mcr-nmra.org/Main.html>

Division 6 – *the Buckeye Division* – is proud to host the 2025 Mid-Central Region Convention in the original home of the National Model Railroad Association (NMRA) – Columbus Ohio!

**The Buckeye Express** convention will take place **May 15 - 18, 2025**. Registration cost is only \$80, with a discounted rate for family members. Hotel reservations are available at a great price – however, our special room price closing deadline is on 4/23 – so register soon! Our website has all of the details.

This gathering of NMRA members and modelers is an exciting place to learn more about model railroad methods (from scenery to electronics), see model railroads, talk about model railroads, operate model railroads, and learn more about the prototype. What's more fun than talking with other modelers who love trains and the hobby as much as you do? Learn, share, and get really "hands on" with all elements of your hobby. You will most certainly meet new friends (and old) while you're here!

Read on for what we have planned:



- **Clinics.** Sit in on an expansive lineup of learning sessions that will engage your modeling and prototype interests. We will have three clinic rooms with continuous learning sessions on a variety of topics – many of which will have multiple timeslots so you won’t miss a thing. In addition, we will have several extra-fare “hands-on” sessions. Check out the list of clinics on the above linked website – and check back often to catch the updates.
- **Celebration of Modeling room.** Bring your favorite models for display, and get feedback from experienced modelers to encourage your interests and skill.
- **Layout Tours.** More than twenty private home layouts will be open for tours. We’ll also have three stunning public club layouts open. This is a great way to gather ideas, techniques, and inspiration to use on your personal layout.
- **Operating Sessions.** Experience running a model railroad transportation system as envisioned by modelers for their personal or club layouts. Enjoy the challenge, fun, and (again), inspiration for your layout. Space is limited – sign up soon! Examples of the operating layouts are here: <https://www.operatingsessions.com/L/buckeye>
- **T-TRAK-N.** We will be gathering T-TRAK-N N scale modules to create a layout right at the Buckeye Express convention site. Learn about this creative way to collaborate with other modelers, and get involved in another great way to share your hobby.
- **Company Store and Yard Sale.** The Yard Sale room gives you an opportunity to sell items that you no longer need – and buy items that *you* need. The Company Store is the place to pick up your convention car – we have *two*!
- **Banquet.** The banquet is a great place to discuss the convention, or simply chit-chat with those who attended the convention with you - another place to meet a new friend. Our banquet speaker is Stu Nicholson, the former executive director of All Aboard Ohio and current director on the Rail Passenger Association Board. Stu will discuss the importance of passenger rail service today.

Other amenities include FREE parking, made-to-order FREE breakfast, and an evening reception that includes two FREE drinks (and snacks) for overnight guests.

Outside of the Buckeye Express convention site, the Columbus area features three hobby shops specializing in model trains, plus two of the premier shopping areas in the Midwest, including an IKEA (a store custom-made to provide more ways to store your stuff).

General Interest activities (not rail-related), include the National Veterans Memorial and Museum, Franklin Park Conservatory (two thumbs up), the Columbus Zoo, and many others. If you need a break from modeling topics, you’ll find plenty of other things to do. See our website for additional suggestions.

The Buckeye Express convention is a great way to engage with your hobby, whether you’re just starting or have been doing it for years. You will meet like-minded hobbyists, juice up your modeling motivation, and probably go home with a bag full of new goodies. **Join us in May!**

Thanks,

**Buckeye Express Convention Committee**

For more details and to register see:

<https://buckeyeexpress.div6-mcr-nmra.org/Main.html>

Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA

# 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Picnic



*Fernbank Lodge in Fernbank Park  
50 Thornton Ave, Cinti, OH 45233  
(Sayler Park off Route 50)*



**1-5 pm Sunday, June 8, 2025**

*For Division 7 Members, Families and their Guests.  
Featuring Fellowship, Food, Soft Drinks, Door Prizes,  
Games and our "main event" Trivia Team Contest  
Only \$10 per person (Division 7 picks up the rest!)*

**Registrations limited to first 100 people  
Hurry! – June 1 Registration Deadline**



Rain or Shine! We'll be in an air-conditioned building with restrooms.  
Food features Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, Chicken, Salads, Cookies, Dessert.  
Children permitted – an adult must accompany those under 18 years of age.  
Ohio river views, active rail line, walking trail and children's playground.

No refunds after June 1, unless entire event cancelled by Division 7.

Cincinnati Division 7 reserves the right to modify or cancel this event.

This event will be operated under all local, state and federal health  
guidelines in effect at that time – Face masks are currently optional.

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Picnic Reservation Form - Please cut off and mail with payment before June 1, 2024

Div. 7 Member Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10 fee = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10 fee = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total submitted: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Send completed form & payment to:

**Roy Hord  
6526 Hollowview Ct.  
Hamilton, Ohio 45011**

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ (Make Checks Payable to "Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA")

Credit Card: Visa \_\_\_\_\_ MasterCard \_\_\_\_\_ Card # \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: (MM/YY) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ CVV: \_\_\_\_\_ Billing Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Further info: <https://cincy-div7.org/local-events> or email [rhord@fuse.net](mailto:rhord@fuse.net)



2027 Convention  
Committee

April 2025 Report



Our 2027 Convention Committee is excited to share our convention name, logo and extended leadership team. Our convention name is “***The Cincinnatian***” with both color and black & white logo versions shown above. See the next page for our leadership team. See below for some accomplishments and next steps.

Done

- Dates set - Thursday through Sunday, June 3-6, 2027
- Hotel set - Cincinnati North Holiday Inn in West Chester, Ohio
- Extended Leadership Team set (see next page) and held kick-off meeting
- “***The Cincinnatian***” convention name finalized
- Convention Logo finalized – see color and black-on-white versions above
- Created publicity posters for use at the 2025 MCR Convention in Columbus

Next Steps

- Set up advance publicity booth at 2025 MCR Convention in Columbus, Ohio
- Refine budget and finalize at the early June BOD meeting
- Continue to investigate electronic registration options
- Meet with hotel to begin working some specific items
- Launch an initial web page for our convention
- Secure early-bird and in-hotel layouts
- Select 3 special guest clinicians, including banquet speaker
- Arrange advance convention shirt sales
- Continue to build teams + incorporate many other volunteers closer to event

John Burchnell

2027 Convention Chair

513-205-6045

[johnburchnell@gmail.com](mailto:johnburchnell@gmail.com)





## 2027 Convention Committee

### Leadership Team



We're excited to share our 2027 convention leadership team. Recall, our team is larger than usual since we're pairing veteran and apprentice leaders, plus including coaches and planning assistants. We conducted our first team meeting on April 1. See below for team departments, leaders, apprentices, and assistants. An expanded version, including coaches, will be posted soon on our website.

	<b>Leaders</b>	<b>Apprentices and Assistants</b>
<b>Chair</b>	John Burchnall	Chris Shackleton
<b>Treasurer</b>	Frank Koch	Bob Shreve, John Shields, Roy Hord
<b>Registrar</b>	Roy Hord	Steve Brown, Will Gregory, Jim Stewart, Tim Stout
<b>Website</b>	John Burchnall	David Lamb
<b>Publicity/Marketing</b>	John Burchnall	David Lamb, Pam Moleski, Rick Stern
<b>Publisher</b>	Bob Shreve	Mark Albert
<b>Vice Chair - Volunteers</b>	Chuck Endreola	Joe Stuber
<b>Vice Chair - Tours</b>	Merlyn Jarman	Mike Tener
<b>Vice Chair - Clinics</b>	Sam Swanson, MMR	Tim Stout
<b>Vice Chair - Layouts</b>	Tony Valerius	Chris Shackleton, Rick Kramer, Gary Ossenschmidt
<b>T-Trak Layout</b>	Paul Musselman John Shields	Chris Shackleton
<b>Company Store</b>	Paul Musselman Rick Crumrine	Tim Stout, David Wynne, Zach Riggins, John Shields
<b>White Elephant Sale</b>	Frank Koch Rick Crumrine	Tim Stout, David Wynne, Zach Riggins, John Shields
<b>Raffle</b>	Paul Maciulewicz Rick Crumrine	Tim Stout, David Wynne, Zach Riggins, John Shields
<b>Contest</b>	Roy Allan Jim Rollwage	David Wynne
<b>Audio/Video</b>	Chris Shackleton Joe Wendeln	Bob Shreve, Gary Ossenschmidt, Phil Wilkin, Don Hoffman, Jordan Kramer, Chris Boylan
<b>Inside Signage</b>	Bob Shreve	Tim Stout
<b>Photos/Videos</b>	Pam Moleski David Lamb	Ben Hallenbeck
<b>Legal Counsel</b>	Larry Bonhaus	-



# DIVISION 7 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Great Northern Railway Operating Session on May 24 at 7 PM (Saturday)

**NOTE: Contact Sam Parfitt prior to attending, in order to confirm the Operating Session. --- Ed.**

GNRW ops is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> W/E Saturday.

Pizza at 6:30-7:00.

Please email if attending.

## NEW POLICY:

Since there's not a lot to do outside our homes related to railroading, those who wish to have a 'one-on-one' or with own friends to operate the layout during the month, please email or call.

Being retired, I spend the bulk of my time in the basement so visitors are always welcomed. Thanks.

## NEW PROJECTS:

Installed decoders in several more engines. A selection of 100 engines can now be done.

Mission Statement: Main theme of my railroad (besides modeling the Great Northern Railway): when building the railroad, I wanted to model mainline running with big time steam and 'scale like' trains of 25-45 cars on single track mainline with passing sidings.

## USUAL STATS:

Time: 1938. All steam and electrics. The GN railway is a point to point railroad, 400' mainline with two 400-500 car yards at Seattle, Wash and St Paul, Minn, each having 20+ track turntables and one staging yard holding 300 cars. Minimum radius, 48" with #10 turnouts. Track all hand laid on individual wooden ties. 100% scenery.

Four track 12' ore dock.

For pictures see:

<http://ogrforum.ogaugerr.com/topic/great-northern-railway?page=1>

Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tOb7SgZTLWA>

The Operating session is also listed in the NMRA MCR div 7 web site:

<https://cincy-div7.org/events.html>

Junk food and beverage will be available

Thanks

Sam Parfitt

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West Chester OH, 45069

cell: 513-378-9133

# DIVISION 7 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Division 7 Car Project (Limited Edition!)

Cincinnati Division 7's Car Project Committee is pleased to announce the availability of our latest, limited-edition car project!

Using Accurail's 2200 Series ACF 2-Bay Covered Hopper as the basis, we are offering it in a Norfolk & Western repaint scheme.

These cars are N&W class HC-46 and are from an original batch of fifty built in 1966 by ACF and were painted in the Round Herald paint scheme.

Sometime subsequent to that some cars went through a general maintenance program where they were repainted in the block N&W livery. Photos were found showing that at least three of these cars (road numbers 170753, 170768 and 170794) were reweighed at some later date because that area is "patched out" on the car with the new data displayed. Those same photos place these three cars as being in service in 1992 and 2004! It is these three, highly unique, road numbers that Cincinnati Division 7 is now offering for sale.

As with all Accurail cars, they are in kit form only.

Pricing is \$25 per car, or a 3-car set at \$70. Shipping (via USPS Priority) is \$9.20 for one car and \$16.25 for two to three cars.

Ohio residents, please add 7.8% sales tax on the **total price of the kits and the shipping and handling fee.**

I received these cars the week of 9/12. Heritage and purchasing details are posted on our Division 7 web site.

You can also send me a check or money order in US dollars, payable to Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA, to:

### Cincinnati Division 7 Car Projects

c/o Paul Maciulewicz

9151 Congress Court

West Chester, Ohio 45069



# DIVISION 7 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

## *Oil Can* Submissions - Deadlines Change

I am adjusting the deadline for submitting information to be published in the *Oil Can*. It has been an informal goal to publish the *Oil Can* by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month, and sometimes that noble goal has not been met. I start the editing process by making an electronic copy of the previous month, then delete old information, and add current information. The amount of new information varies, as I accumulate files throughout each month. After finalizing, I email a copy to those who have submitted contributions for their scrutiny, as “several pairs of eyes” are better than one! Then after evaluating their comments, the *Oil Can* is distributed.

After deliberation with Chuck and Tony, we concluded that a firm deadline of the 17<sup>th</sup> of the month for submitting anything for publication should be instituted, so as to meet the goal of distribution by the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month.

**Dave Puthoff**

## Rail Crossing — A Close Call

Sort of a public service railroad safety tip. Don't try to drive on the tracks. Thursday, April 10 about 10:00am in Glendale the driver turned left but missed the entrance to the parking lot and missed the street on the other side of the tracks. Luckily the police were right there and the railroad was able to stop two trains. While the wrecker was getting the car off the tracks, the train crews went over to UDF and got ice cream and sandwiches!

**Paul Miklos**

*Editor Note:* This rail crossing is now monitored on *Virtual Railfan*, (available on *YouTube*). Earlier this winter, there was another close-call — when a car was stuck in the snow, and was pushed across the tracks by police and a passerby, only a few minutes before a southbound train arrived!

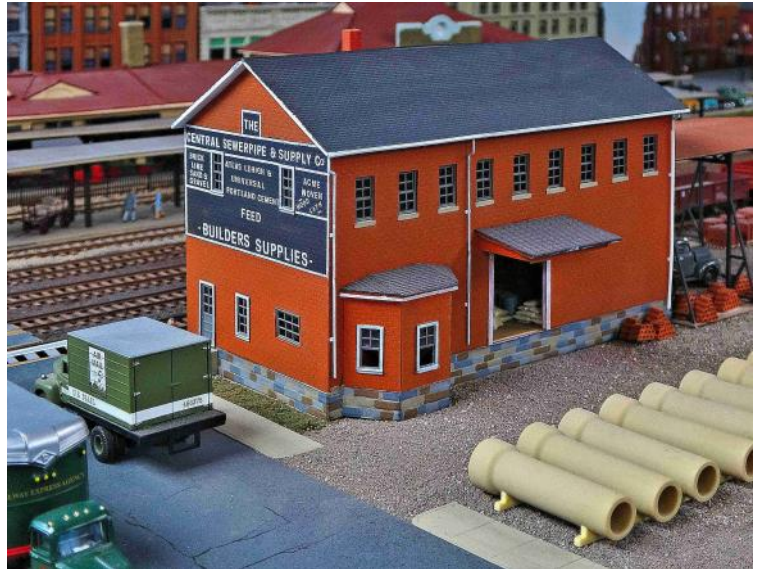
Amtrak passes late at night, and may be seen by “re-winding” the video!



Photo by Paul Miklos



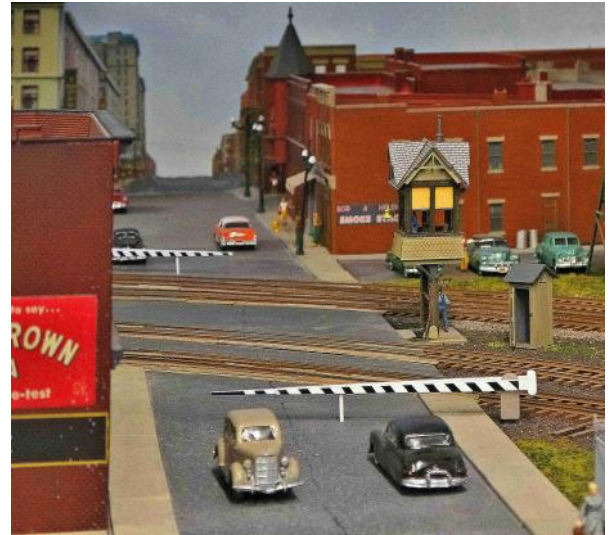
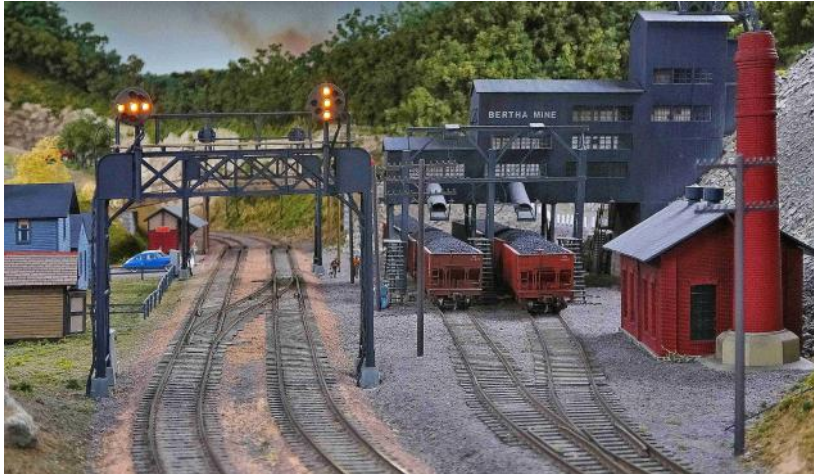
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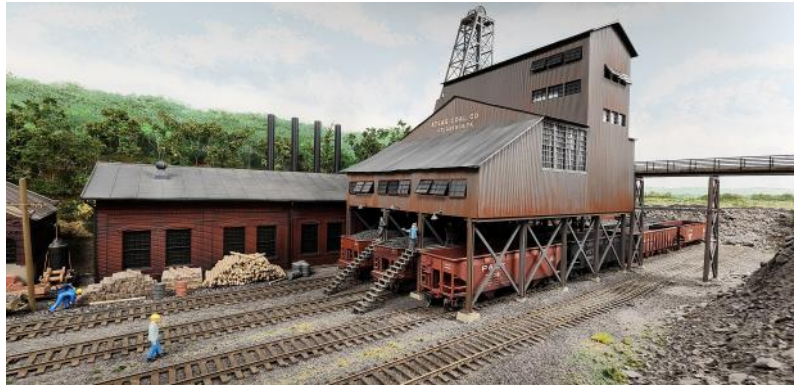
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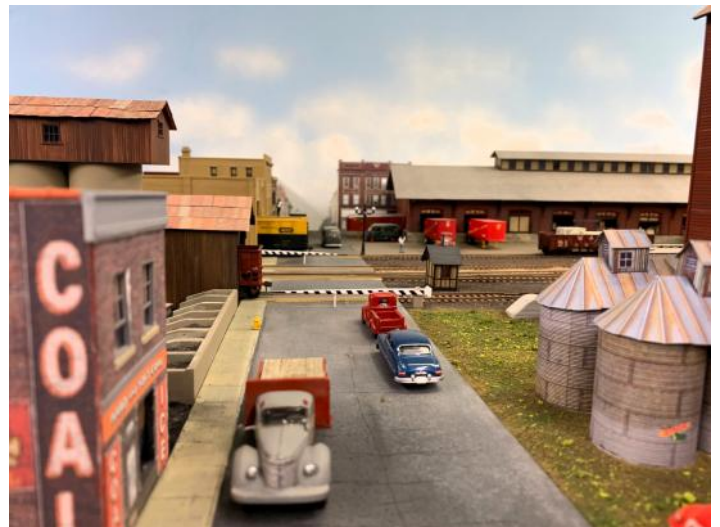


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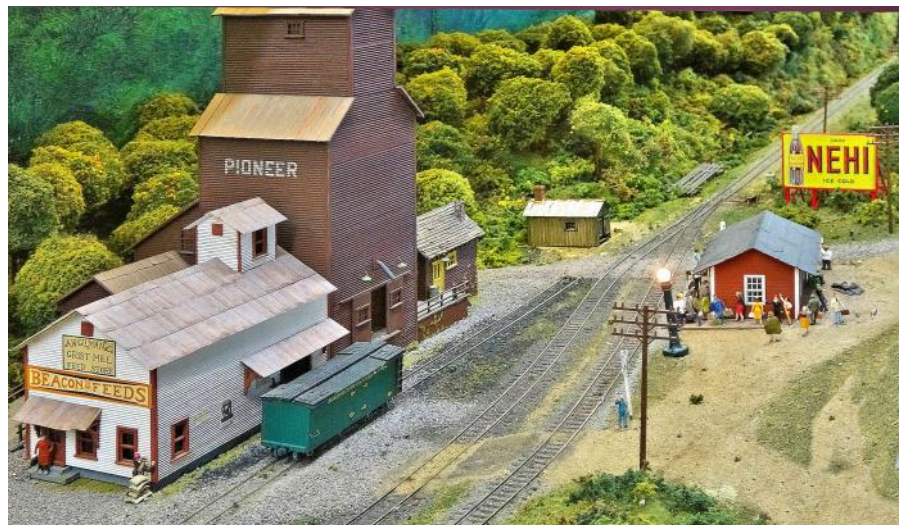
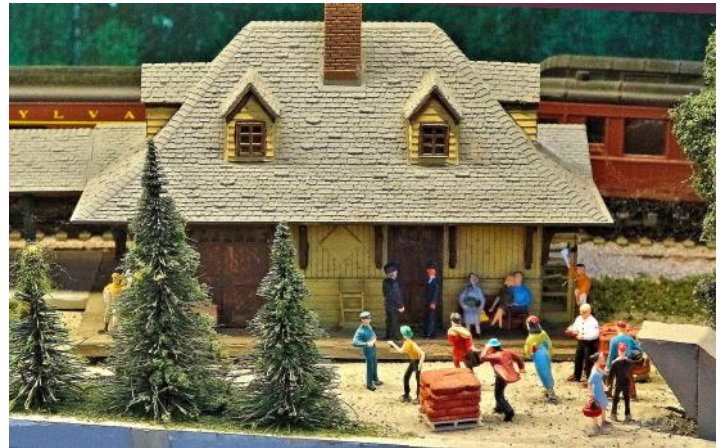


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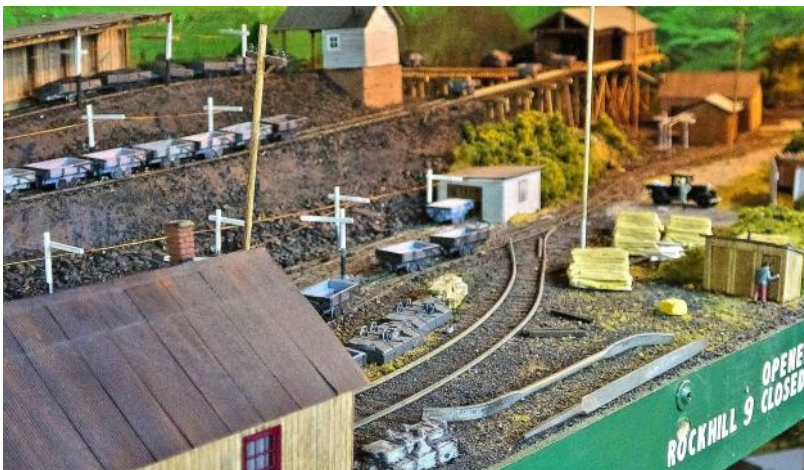


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# DIVISION 7 - CLASSIFIED ADS

As a benefit to Division 7 members, the Oil Can will offer to list free Classified Ads to allow members to sell railroad-related items. A few other Divisions offer such a program. The Board will periodically re-evaluate the program. If you have items to sell, please review the Rules, and send an email to [editor@cincy-div7.org](mailto:editor@cincy-div7.org)

## CLASSIFIED AD RULES:

Item(s) must be railroad related.

Seller must be a Member of Division 7 MCR NMRA.

Listing description shall be 30 words or less.

Item(s) can be displayed for a maximum of three (3) months. Oil Can Editor will assign a Listing Number that will include the last month of listing. (E.g., "xx-July 2015" would indicate Listing xx will be listed through the July 2015 Oil Can).

Seller must list name, and either Phone Number and/or Email, so the interested Buyer can contact Seller. It will not be listed without them. **(NOTE: Seller agrees to allow contact information to be published in the Oilcan, which is published on the Internet).**

A single photo may be submitted for each listing.

Limit of three (3) listings from same Seller at any one time.

Seller shall email Oil Can Editor if item is sold so it can be removed from page.

All transactions are between the Buyer and the Seller.

Oilcan Editor reserves the right to edit listing if needed, and will notify Seller of edit prior to publication.

Picture	Description	Price	Name	Phone, or Email	Listing No.
	Walthers HO 130' turntable with direction / speed control box. Removed from Gerry Albers' layout.	\$100	Bob Shreve	<a href="mailto:bshreve8103@gmail.com">bshreve8103@gmail.com</a>	335-May 25
	Roundhouse Pennsy/Empire Line 35' double-sheathed boxcar, dark red, #76187, built w/Kadee couplers and metal wheels. Retail: N/A	\$15	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	324-Apr 25
	Walthers FM H10-44 CNW diesel switcher, green/yellow, #1054. Retail \$67.50	\$50	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	336-May 25
	Pacific Mtn Scale Shops B&O I-12 wagon-top caboose craftsman kit w/ Andrews trucks. Retail: \$49.50	\$25	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	327-Apr 25
	Front Range C&EI 40' ACF riveted side, single 6' door boxcar, boxcar red, #66471. Retail \$7.95	\$5	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	328-Apr 25
	Front Range CNW 40' ACF riveted side, single 6' door boxcar, boxcar red, #23014. Retail \$7.95	\$5	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	329-Apr 25
	Front Range NYC 50' ACF rivet-side, double door boxcar, boxcar red, #47103. Retail \$7.95	\$5	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	330-Apr 25
	Front Range undecorated 50' ACF welded side, double door boxcar. Retail \$7.95	\$5	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	331-Apr 25
	Accurail (custom painted) C&O 50' riveted side double door boxcar, boxcar red, #6210. Retail \$12.00	\$10	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	332-Apr 25
	Bowser (custom-painted) Virginian & Ohio 70-ton ACF 2-bay covered hopper, gray, #5023. Retail \$26.00	\$20	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	333-Apr 25
	Stewart EMD F3B phase II. Unpowered, undecorated. Retail \$45.00	\$30	Jim MacKnight	<a href="mailto:jimmack6@hotmail.com">jimmack6@hotmail.com</a>	337-Apr 25



# Cincinnati Division 7 N.M.R.A. - 2025 Program Schedule

See website for most recent [printable landscape PDF](#). Dates, times and events can change. Most meetings begin at 2:00 PM

Month	Date	Location	Program / Speaker	Contests *	Layout Visits
Jan	Sun, Jan 12	North – Cincinnati North Holiday Inn (West Chester)	Cincinnati Museum Center Speaker “Cincinnati Inclines”	Model & Photo: Caboose or any EOT device freight car	Noah Powers + Greg Simpson
Feb	Sun, Feb 2 (note date)	West – Dunham Recreation Center (near Queen City Ave)	Bob Frankrone “Carrie Blast Furnace”	Model & Photo: Hopper or Gondola Car	Tom Dunn + Randy Seiler
Mar	Sat, Mar 15 10 am – 3 pm	Annual Spring Flea Market Lakota West Freshman School	Dealer, Sales, Membership and Modeler Aid Booths	None	None
Apr	Sun, Apr 13	Northeast – American Legion Hall Post 194, Mason, Ohio	Lou and Cheryl Sassi “Tour of On30 Sandy River & Rangeley Lakes RR”	Model & Photo: Steam Locomotive	Ric Case + Curt LaRue
May	Sun, May 4 (note date)	East – Mt. Carmel American Legion Hall	Gary Hoover “Proto-Freelance N&W in the 1950’s”	Model & Photo: Non-Steam Locomotive	Steve Rineair + Zach Riggins
May	Thu, May 15 to Sun, May 18	Buckeye Express MCR Convention - Columbus, OH	Clinics, Banquet, Yard Sale, Tours	Convention Contests	Convention Tours and Layouts
Jun	Sun, Jun 8 1 – 5 pm	Family Picnic/Social at Fernbank Park in Cinti, Ohio	Catered Social Event (Food, Games, Door Prizes) - must register by June 1	Team Trivia & Door Prizes	None
Jul	Sun, Jul 13	South – Erlanger, Kentucky Kenton County Library?	John Burchnall & Tony Valerius “Midwest Ry Preservation Society”	Model & Photo: Any Passenger Train Car	Georgia Dahlberg, MMR + Jim Conrad
Jul	Mon, Jul 14 to Sun, Jul 20	NMRA National Convention Station No. VI - Novi, MI	Clinics, Tours, Programs, Layouts, Banquet, National Train Show	Convention Contests	Convention Tours & Train Show Layouts
Aug	Sun, Aug 10	North – Cincinnati North Holiday Inn (West Chester)	Ray Persing “3-D Printing”	Model & Photo: Dirt or Road Motor Propelled Vehicle	tbd
Sep	Sun, Sep 14	North – Cincinnati Marriott North Hotel (Union Ctr Blvd)	John Burchnall “The Eastern Loggers Story”	Model & Photo: Tank or Flat Car	tbd
Oct	Sun, Oct 5 (note date)	Northeast – American Legion Hall Post 194, Mason, Ohio	Mike Tylick, MMR® “Building Laser Cut Structures”	Model & Photo: Maintenance-of-Way (MOW) Equipment	Bob Lawson + another tbd
Oct	Sat 11 & Sun 12 11 am to 5 pm	57th Annual Fall Train Show Lakota West High School	Cincinnati Model Train & Trade Show Sales, Layouts, Booths and Displays	None	Train Show Portable Layouts
Nov	Sun, Nov 9	Central – Norwood Community Center in Norwood, Ohio	Ed Swain “Building the Engine Shops at Notch”	Model & Photo: Any Building or Bridge	Cinti Model Ry Club + Sam Swanson, MMR
Dec	Sun, Dec 14	East – Mt. Carmel American Legion Hall	Potluck Electronic Slides and Annual Snackfest Celebration	Model & Photo: Box, Stock or Refrigerator Car	Roy Allan + Leo Honebrink

Super Bowl Feb 9   Easter Apr 20   Mothers Day May 11   Fathers Day Jun 15   N.Ga.Conv. Sept 3-6   \*contest details on website   Rev. Apr 1, 2025 JBB



## Next Meeting

**2 PM Sunday May 4**

**Mt. Carmel**

**American Legion Post 72**

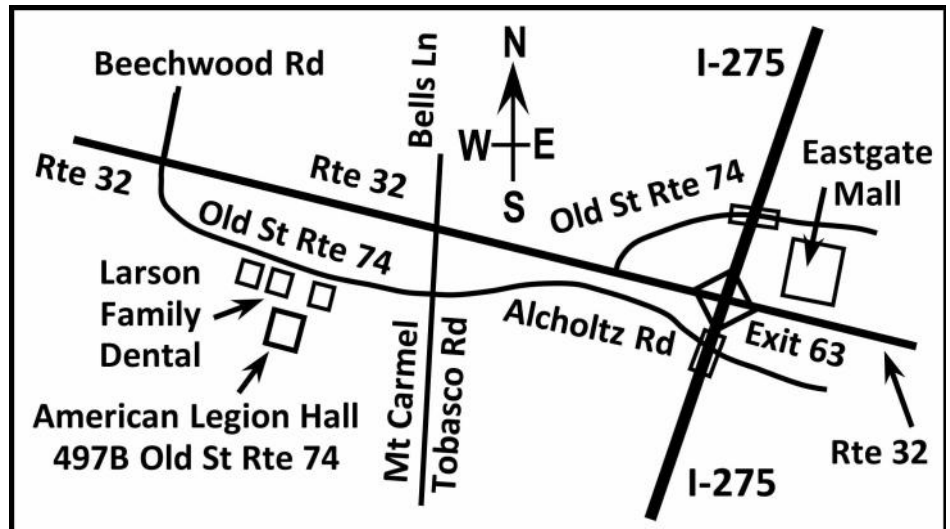
**497 B Old State Route 74**

**Cincinnati OH 45244**

## Directions:

From I-275, take Exit 63B  
Then State Route 32 West  
Turn Left onto Mt. Carmel Tobasco Rd.  
Turn Left onto Old State Route 74  
Hall is on your left

From Route 32 West, take Old State Route 74  
Hall is on your right



## Coming Down the Line

Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA

**2025 Schedule**

**NOTE: ALL REGULAR MEETINGS START AT 2 PM**

(Unless otherwise notified)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Program/Speaker</u>	<u>Layout Visits</u>	<u>Contest Topic</u>
<b>5/4</b>	American Legion Hall Mt. Carmel OH	Gary Hoover <i>Proto-Freelance N&amp;W in the 1950s</i>	Zach Riggins Steve Rineair	<u>Models:</u> Non-Steam Locomotive <u>Photos:</u> Non-Steam Locomotive
<b>6/8 NO REGULAR MEETING — Division 7 Family Picnic/Social at Fernbank Park, Sayler Park</b> <b>1 to 5 PM</b>				
<b>7/13</b>	Kenton County Library Erlanger KY	John Burchanll/Tony Valerius <i>Midwest Ry. Preservation Society</i>	Jim Conrad Georgia Dahlberg MMR®	<u>Models:</u> Any Pass. Train Car <u>Photos:</u> Any Pass. Train Car

## Around the Division 2025

**5/15 7:15 pm Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH**

## Region / National 2025

**5/15-5/18, 2025 Mid-Central Region Convention,  
Buckeye Express - Columbus, OH**

**7/14-7/19, 2025, 90th NMRA National Convention,  
Station No. VI, - Novi, MI**

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