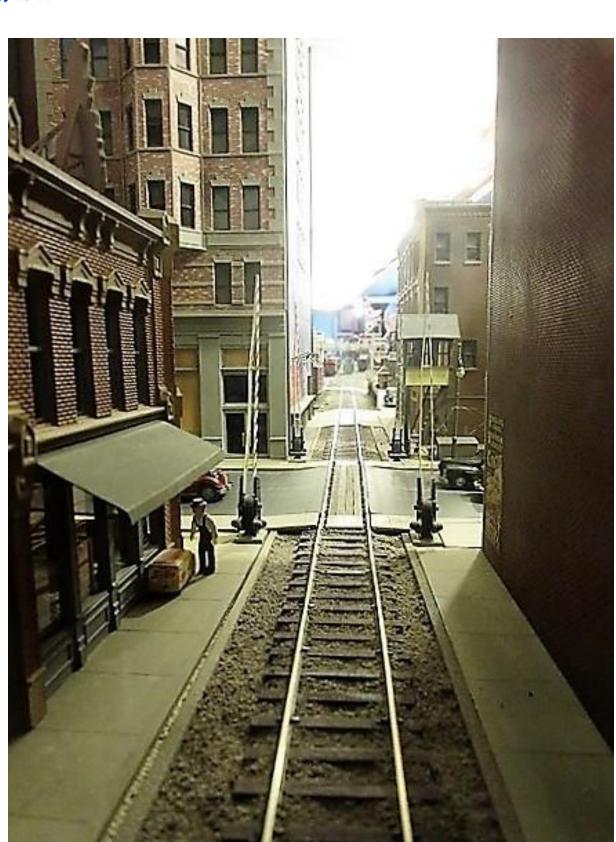
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In the past year Division 7 has once again returned to inperson monthly meetings, while making our meetings available though *Zoom*. Despite the recent increases in Covid-19, let's hope that there is "light at the end of this tunnel" and that things will return to the "normal" of years past!

Are you busy doing projects on your layout during our COVID19 staycation? Email your Photos and/or Descriptions to editor@cincy-div7.org.

If you have a photo, or a useful tip, or maybe just a useful website that you would like to share, the Oilcan is an opportunity to share it with your fellow model railroaders. Email it to editor@cincy-div7.org.

Dave

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<u>Space permitting</u>, **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 Jerry Strangarity's HO Layout



HEADLIGHTS

As we announced at the December meeting, the results of our elections are in and Chuck Endreola will be our new Superintendent. With Tony Valerius as the new Assistant Super. By our by-laws, they assume their offices at the conclusion of the January meeting.

Which means that this is my last article for the Oil Can as Super. As such, I will deviate from my usual content and make this article about just one thing. I need to thank a bunch of people for all that they have done for me over the last four years (and actually twelve years, to include my time as secretary and assistant super).

Let me start by thanking Randy Kerka and Bob Shreve, the former Supers who put up with me as I learned those other two roles; and set the excellent examples for me of how to lead this organization that I have tried to follow.

Next I would like to thank those that have been on the board – Bob Adams, Mike Brestel, John Burchnall, Rick Crumrine, Roy Hord, Merlyn Jarman, Randy Kerka, Jim MacKnight, Dave Read, Bob Shreve, and Peter Weiglin – for being the real brain trust that works behind the scenes to run this organization, maintain our history and goals, and create the vision for our future.

Then I need to thank all of the current and former committee chairs that actually get all the work done that makes this organization so special and fun to be a part of. That would include Larry Bonhaus, Brad Bove, John Burchnall, Rick Crumrine, Pat Homan, Merlyn Jarman, Brad Jonas, Frank Koch, Jor Luecke, Jim MacKnight, Paul Maciulewicz, Pam Moleski, Paul Musselman, Kevin Orcutt, Russ Poynter, Dave Puthoff, Jim Rollwage, Bob Shreve, Rick Stern, and Peter Weiglin.

Special thanks go to Bruce Knapp and Frank Koch, our very capable secretary and treasurer for keeping everything (including me) straight, planned, and recorded. I have trusted both to be sounding boards and experts when I needed to know how stuff gets done or who I should really be talking to.

Special thanks also go to John Burchnall for all that he has done for the last nearly two years to keep us connected and functioning through Covid. That is so much more than just hosting a Zoom meeting for two hours a month.

And my last and most important individual thank you is to Chuck Endreola who has been a great partner and trusted friend for these four years. If you want to know who really works hard for this organization month in and month out, it is the assistant super; and Chuck has filled that role extremely well. Monthly programs, venues, speakers, and layout tours are the living part of this group for much of the year, and Chuck has faced more than the usual amount of challenges in making those things happen for the last four years. I'm sure he will be an excellent Superintendent.

And the last thank you is to all of you, the members of this group. For making me welcome when I started attending meetings, for letting me serve you for the last twelve years, and especially for putting in all the volunteer hours that allow this group to function. It has been my honor and privilege to help keep this very special group going and delivering the benefits that I hope make you glad to be a member.

I hope to see a lot of you in-person (or on zoom) at the January meeting in Mason on January 9th.









December's Annual Snack Fest and Potluck Electronic Slide Show was enjoyed by all, attending in person or virtually. Kudos to the A/V team for another excellent job. Unfortunately, they failed in their attempt to send snacks to the Zoom attendees. Go figure.

In years past, we have had so many slide presenters, that it is difficult to accommodate them all. This year it was a bit different. We had only two slide contributors. But there was no reason to worry, for John Burchnall and Roy Hord provided dozens of great photos and commentary. We also were able to visit the layouts of Jerry Strangarity and Dennis Malloy. It is always a treat to see Jerry's wonderful layout with its fabulous structures and dozens of highly detailed scenes. Dennis opened the doors to his beautiful new layout for the first time. He designed the track plan for operation and included both hidden and open staging in interesting and functional arrangements Thank you both for sharing.

We also experienced our meeting in a new location, the Dunham Rec Center. The division has lost access to eight venues over the past six years. Dunham is one of the eight new viable venues we have added that are available to us. The room proved to be of ample size and the staff was extremely accommodating. Only one glitch, the glare of the late afternoon sun through windows near the ceiling forced a move of the slide screen. We will reverse the room set up in future visits. The new venues added for 2022 are the American Legion in Mt. Carmel (site of our Summer Train Show), American Legion in old Mason, Delhi Middle School, Horse-power Farm, and the Blue Ash Presbyterian Church. Ninety percent of the 2022 Program Schedule has been completed. Just one clinic spot open and a few layouts visits remain to be arranged. Our new Assistant Superintendent, Tony Valerius, will have those holes plugged in a timely manner. On the Program Schedule, do not overlook the new social event set for June, a "Family Picnic." This event is for members and their families. It offers a greater opportunity to socialize with many more of your friends than the ten-to-fifteen-minute meeting break provides. Details to be announced in the coming months.

<u>Volunteers always needed for the Spring Flea Market. Sign up sheets available at the January and February meetings or contact Peter Weiglin or Dianne Rowland.</u>

Looking Ahead:

<u>January 9th</u>- We will meet at one of our new venues, American Legion Post 194, 401 Reading Rd., Mason, OH 45040. Co-clinicians Sam Parfitt and Paul Alphonse will present "Painting Your Locos & Car Models," followed by layout tours of Ed Swain and Patrick Stanley. Contest subject for both Models and Photos is "Caboose or Passenger Car."

<u>February 6th</u>- (NOTE DATE) - Our meeting will be held at the Cincinnati Marriott North Hotel, 6189 Muhlhauser Rd., West Chester, OH 45069. Clinic title is "Modeler's Guide to Timelines, Part 2 (Steam Locos, etc.) presented by John Burchnall. Curt LaRue and Sam Parfitt offer layout tours. Contest for both Models and Photos is "Hopper or Gondola Car."

<u>March</u>- No monthly meeting – our Spring Flea Market instead (see next topic).

<u>March 12th</u>- Division 7's "Annual Spring Flea Market" to be held at the Lakota Freshman School campus, 5050 Tylersville Rd., West Chester, OH 45069. There will be no clinic, contest nor layout tours. Just bring your saleable items for Frank Koch's "White Elephant Table" and a wad of cash for all the new treasures you will undoubtably have to have.

See you in Mason,



JANUARY MEMBERS' MEETING

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CINCINNATI DIVISION 7, MCR, NMRA DECEMBER 2021 CONTEST RESULTS



MODELS: Box or refrigerator cars

Box Stock: 1st Place: Bruce Knapp Soo Line wood box car

2nd Place: Bruce Knapp NP wood box car

Kit Bashed: 1st Place: Roy Allan D&RGW 30 foot box car

2nd Place:Ben HallenbeckC&NW plug door box car3rd Place:Larry GoodrichGeorgia Pacific all door box car

Scratch Built: 1st Place: Georgia Dahlberg, MMR® CCC reefer #1270

2nd Place: Bruce Knapp D&RGW n/g reefer

Junior Division Model Photos: No entries this month

PHOTOGRAPHY: Box or refrigerator cars

Prototype: 1st Place: John Burchnall FGEX wood reefer car display at the Penn. RR Museum

2nd Place: Patrick Stanley DHNY box car

3rd Place: Patrick Stanley PRR / PC X-29 box car

Models: 1st Place: John Burchnall Box and reefer cars on David Powell's HO D&RGW

2nd Place: David Wynne Sheffield Farms milk refrigerator car

Junior Division Prototype Photos: No entries this month

2021 FINAL STANDINGS

COMBINED POINTS OVERALL WINNER: John Burchnall

MODELS

1st place, Bruce Knapp	22	Ron Gribler MMR®	5	Bill Madden	2
2nd place, Roy Allan	17	Sam Parfitt	5	Mark Albert	2
3rd place, John Burchnall	12	Paul Miklos	5	Patrick Stanley	2
Georgia Dahlberg, MMR®	9	Tom Brueggeman, MMR®	4	David Wynne	2
Ben Hallenbeck	8	John Listermann	2	Jim Dahmann	2
Larry Goodrich	7	Pam Moleski	2	Rick Stern	1
Ed Swain	6	Paul Alphonse	2	Chuck Endreola	1
		2		Roger Broering	1

PHOTOGRAPHY

1st place, John Burchnall	46	Richard Bierau	4	Bob Shreve	2
2nd place, David Wynne	14	Dale Brown	3	John Shields	1
3rd place, Patrick Stanley	13	Pam Moleski	2	Rick Stern	1
Tom Brueggeman, MMR®	6	Tony Valerius	2	Georgia Dahlberg, MMR®	1

JUNIOR DIVISION MODELS

No entries this year

No entries this year

JANUARY 2022 CATEGORIES:

MODELS: Caboose or passenger cars PHOTOGRAPHY: Caboose or passenger cars

Jim Rollwage

Cincinnati Division 7 Contest Chair



CINCINNATI DIVISION 7 MID CENTRAL REGION, NMRA 2022 CONTEST THEMES



MONTH	MODELS	PHOTOGRAPHY	
January	Caboose or Passenger Car	Caboose or Passenger Car	
February	Hopper or Gondola Car	Hopper or Gondola Car	
March	- No contest (Flea Market) -	- No contest (Flea Market) -	
April	Steam Locomotive	Steam Locomotive	
May	Maintenance-of-Way (MOW) Equipment	Maintenance-of-Way (MOW) Equipment	
June	- No contest (Picnic) -	- No contest (Picnic) -	
July	Freight Car with Open Load	Freight Car with Open Load	
August	Intermodal or Auto Carrier	Intermodal or Auto Carrier	
September	Tank Car	Tank Car	
October	Non-Steam Locomotive	Non-Steam Locomotive	
November	Structure or Diorama	Structure or Diorama	
December	Box or Refrigerator Car	Box or Refrigerator Car	

Contest Sub-Classes

MODEL (up to 3 entries permitted) – Box Stock, Kit-Bashed or Scratch-Built PHOTO (up to 3 entries permitted) – Model or Prototype

LAYOUT VISIT to Dennis Malloy's HO-Scale Layout

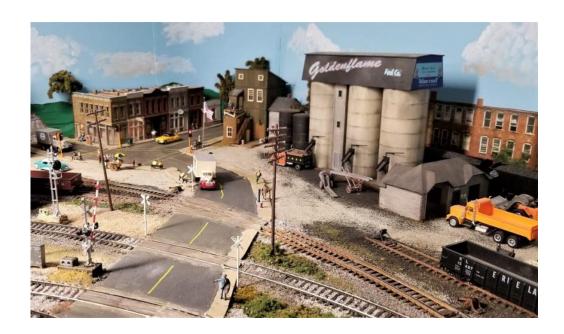


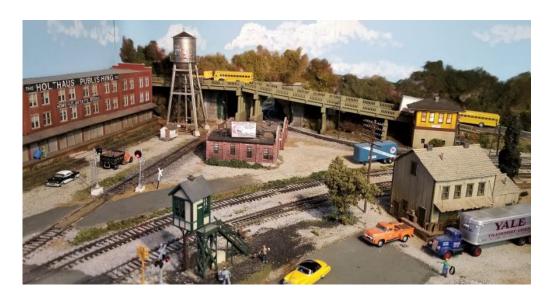




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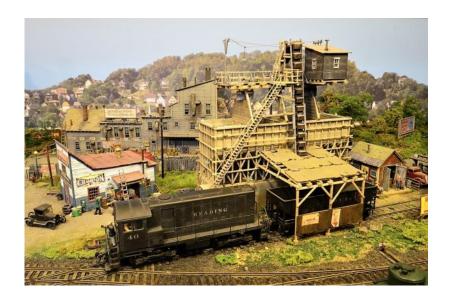






Photos by John Burchnall

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Photos by Sam Parfitt



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Three Day Train Show
One Convention
May 18-22, 2022



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<u>Great News! Registrations for the convention and the hotel are now both OPEN</u>. You can register for the Convention, and while you're on the website, make a room reservation. Go now to: https://www.indyjunction2022.org/

If you've registered for a lot of conventions, you can probably wing it. If you're a "manual reader", the Registration Committee has provided some great instructions. We suggest you read through the instructions before you get started. The only way to register for Indy Junction 2022 is online and through the website.

If you run into any problems, the Registrar is standing by to help you. He's a person so he'll get back to you within 24 hours. (Likely sooner if you make contact during daylight hours.) Here's the contact link if you need help registering - registration@indyjunction2022.org

We shared the Convention fees before - here they are again:

- \$85.00 Early Registration Opening Registration to December 31, 2021
- \$95.00 Registration January 1, 2022 to April 27, 2022
- \$110.00 Late Registration April 28, 2022 to May 21, 2022
- \$25.00 additional Family Member(s) Registration any date
- \$40.00 Saturday May 21 ONLY, Individual Registration (One-Day includes Train Show)

And while you're on the site, get your hotel room reserved. We strongly suggest you use the link on the website to reserve your room. Marriott is experiencing some staffing problems for telephone support. They give you some outstanding help once you connect - but there can be some extended hold times to speak with someone on the phone. (We're not kidding - wait times can run from 10 to 30 minutes. Everyone in hospitality is experiencing labor shortages.)

Marriott East Indianapolis Room Rate: \$132.00 per night plus applicable taxes

If you're new to these updates, most of the information we've previously shared is now on the Indy Junction 2022 website. Take a look around while you're there. We encourage you to tell your fellow model railroaders to sign up on the Homepage for Convention Updates. We'll continue to keep you updated with the latest Convention Information with an update in the middle of each month. More often when there is something important that we think you need to know right away.

One final registration tip - If you are accessing the Indy Junction 2022 webpage on your mobile device, phone or tablet, you'll need to click the menu icon on the top of the homepage to see all the pages. Please share this update with someone who hasn't yet signed up for updates on the Indy Junction 2022 website - https://www.indyjunction2022.org/

Indy Junction 2022 Marketing Committee – August 13, 2021

DIVISION 7 - ANNOUNCEMENTS

Great Northern Railway Operating Session on January 15 at 7 PM (Saturday)

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

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The next ops is the normal 3rd 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 50 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
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8795 goldcrest dr
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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

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.
	Accurail, C&O 55-ton USRA 2-bay open hopper car kits, s/n 62275, 62396, 63008, 63364. Retail: \$7.50 each	Set \$40	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	196-Aug 21
	Atlas EMD S-4 diesel, PRR, non-dynamic, Brunswick green, no. 8434. Retail: \$98.95	\$50	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	217-Jan 22
	Atlas ALCo C-424 diesel, PRR, non-dynamic, Brunswick green, no. 2415. Retail: \$79.95	\$50	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	218-Jan 22
	Atlas ALCo RS-3 diesel, WM, dynamic, black w/fireball, no number. Retail: \$109.95	\$75	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	219-Jan 22
	Stewart, Western Maryland EMD F7A and B, phase I late, black w/speed lettering, both powered Retail: \$89.00 each	A/B Set \$110	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	208-Oct 21
	Intermountain/Tichy, L&N USRA 2-bay hopper, no.86285, rebuilt LOU 3/38, w/Kadee couplers, RTR. Retail: \$32.95	\$20	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	220-Jan 22
	Stewart, Western Maryland AAR 70-ton, 14-panel, 3-bay hopper, speed lettering, freight car red, built 3/58, limited edition set of 6 numbers. Retail: \$72.00	Set of 6 \$50	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	209-Oct 21
	Stewart, L&N, H39, 70-ton, 12-panel, 3-bay hoppers, black, built 1/70, 3 numbers. Retail: \$9.98 each	Set of 3 \$24	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	202-Aug 21
	Red Caboose, BAR 40' wood reefer, State of Maine potato, no. 6531, red/white/blue, RTR, Retail: \$30.00	\$20	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	221-Jan 22
	PRR Adlake –Kero, model 300 railroad lantern, with 3-1/4" fluted red globe, good condition.	\$90	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	215-Nov 21
	Stewart, C&O, H39, 70-ton, 12-panel, 3-bay hoppers, black, built 3/63, 3 numbers. Retail: \$9.98 each	Set of 3 \$24	Jim MacKnight	jimmack6@hotmail.com	222-Jan 22
	About 100 HO freight cars, Athearn, TM, etc. with Kadees and RP-25 wheels. Many with intermountain wheels.	\$5 to \$7 each	Sam Parfitt	samparfitt@fuse.net	175-Apr21

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Cincinnati Division 7 N.M.R.A. - 2022 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 9	Northeast – American Legion Hall Post 194, Mason, Ohio	Sam Parfitt & Paul Alphonse "Painting Your Loco & Car Models"	Model & Photo: Caboose or Passenger Car	Ed Swain + Patrick Stanley
Feb	Sun, Feb 6 (note date)	North – Cincinnati Marriott North Hotel (Union Ctr Blvd)	John Burchnall – "Modeler's Guide to Timelines, Part 2 (steam locos, etc.)"	Model & Photo: Hopper or Gondola Car	Curt LaRue + Sam Parfitt
Mar	Sat, Mar 12 10 am – 4 pm	Annual Spring Flea Market Lakota West Freshman School	Dealer, Sales, Membership and Modeler Aid Booths	None	None
Apr	Sun, Apr 10	Central – Blue Ash Presbyterian	Larry Bonhaus – "Making and Enhancing Trees and Forests"	Model & Photo: Steam Locomotive	Tom Brueggeman, MMR + Donald Docter
May	Sun, May 15 (note date)	West – Delhi Middle School Cafetorium	Bernard Kempinski – "Waterfront Terminals + US Military RR Update"	Model & Photo: Maintenance of Way Equipment	Jack Sibert + another tbd
May	Wed, May 18 to Sun, May 22	MCR/MWR/NCR Tri-Regional Convention - Indianapolis, IN	2022 Indy Junction Convention Clinics, Banquet, Tours	Indianapolis Marriott East Convention Contests	Convention Tours and Layouts
Jun	Sun, Jun 12 1 – 5 pm	Family Picnic/Social at Sharon Woods Park, Sharonville, OH	Catered Fellowship/Social Event	None	None
Jul	Sun, Jul 10	? South – Erlanger, Kentucky Kenton County Library?	Sam Swanson – "Prototype Photos and the Models that Followed"	Model & Photo: Freight Car w/ Open Load	tbd
Aug	Sun, Aug 7 to Sun, Aug 14	2022 NMRA National Convention - St. Louis, MO	Clinics, Tours, Programs, Show	Convention Contests	Tours & Show Layouts
Aug	Sun, Aug 21 Noon – 4:30 pm	Far North (Middletown) – Horsepower Farm	Mini Meet Featuring 3 Clinics by Special Visiting Guest Rich Mahaney	Model & Photo: Intermodal or Auto Carriers	None
Sep	Sun, Sep 11	East – Mt. Carmel American Legion Hall	Mike Tylick – "Scratch-building Two Cars"	Model & Photo: Tank Car	David Keith + another tbd
Oct	Sun, Oct 2 (note date)	North – Cincinnati Marriott North Hotel (Union Ctr Blvd)	Lou and Cheryl Sassi – "Modeling a Famous SR&RL South Strong Scene"	Model & Photo: Non-Steam Locomotive	Don Leedy + Larry Bonhaus
Oct	Sat 8 & Sun 9 11 am to 5 pm	53rd Annual Fall Train Show Lakota West High School	Cincinnati Model Train & Trade Show Booths, Layouts and Slide Show	None	Train Show Portable Layouts
Nov	Sun, Nov 13	? South – Erlanger, Kentucky Kenton County Library?	tbd	Model & Photo: Structure or Diorama	tbd
Dec	Sun, Dec 11	East – Mt. Carmel American Legion Hall	Potluck Electronic Slides and Annual Snackfest Celebration	Model & Photo: Box or Refrigerator Car	tbd





KNAPP'S NOTES

A New Year Dawns for Division 7

Ready or not 2022 is rapidly approaching, complete with a new set of challenges. Covid is still around, and its new variant is even stronger. I wonder how this will affect our Flea Market and our meeting locations. One bit of good news is that the vaccine, plus the booster seem to work.

I really enjoyed our December meeting and found the venue excellent. The treats were great, the promotion for the Indianapolis Region Convention was very well done (actually beat some of the National Convention promotions), and, of course, the Monthly Raffle was up to its usual high (?) standard. I always support the raffle (Russ is a friend and former student); now what do I do with a L&N GP-30. (I suspect it will wind up in next year's locomotive raffle). I couldn't help but notice some snide comments from a certain member (John Burchnall). I actually got a chance to visit a layout after the meeting; I visited my musician buddy, Dennis Malloy. I was extremely impressed by his layout.

Speaking of layouts, my early Parkinson's has slowed me down quite a bit. I do have an outstanding crew with Chuck Endreola and Tony Valerius working with me. Part of the lack of motivation is the Parkinson's, but some of it is missing Margaret during the holiday season. I realized she has been gone for four years. I am still playing (the disease hasn't affected my playing), and this is a very busy time of the year for the New Horizon Band, The Community Orchestra, and my quintet. In fact, these ensembles were one reason I didn't have an article in the December "Oil Can". (Anybody ready for a tuba solo?)

I am looking forward to the Indianapolis Convention, the Flea Market, and our upcoming meetings, Chuck has an exciting slate of clinic and clinicians. I also enjoy seeing all my buddies from the Division. I can't wait for our next Raffle (hint, hint), and look forward to harassing my friend John Burchnall. As I look back at 2021, it's been a very challenging time, but we have still had a good time and kept our camaraderie. I look forward to seeing everyone at the January meeting.

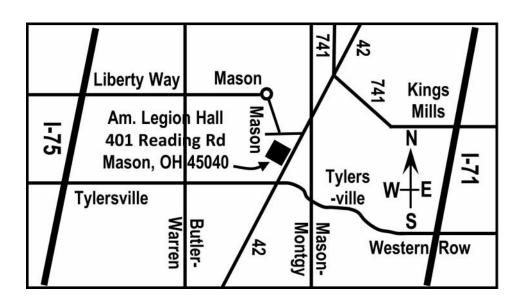
Keep 'em Rolling



Next Meeting

2 PM Sunday January 9

American Legion Hall 401 Reading Road Mason OH 45040



Coming Down the Line

Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA 2022 Schedule

NOTE: ALL REGULAR MEETINGS START AT 2 PM

(Unless otherwise notified)

Date Location Program/Speaker Layout Visits Contest Topic

1/9 American Legion Hall Sam Parfitt & Paul Alphonse Ed Swain Models: Caboose or Pass. Car
Mason OH Painting Your Loco and Car Models Patrick Stanley Photos: Caboose or Pass. Car

2/6 Cincinnati Mariott North John Burchnall Curt LaRue Models: Hopper or Gondola Car West Chester OH Modeler's Guide to Timelines Part 2 Sam Parfitt Photos: Hopper or Gondola Car

3/12 NO MEETING

Division 7 Annual Flea Market at Lakota West Freshman School

Around the Division 2022

1/20 7:15 pm Lebanon Modelers - Lebanon OH

3/12 Div. 7 Flea Market - Lakota West Freshman School Region / National 2021 — 2022

5/18 — 5/22 2022 *Indy Junction* Regional Convention Indianapolis IN 8/7 — 8/13 2022 *Gateway 2022* National Convention St. Louis MO

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