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Conductors Comments

By Walt Mulford, President

Well, the VRC show was a great success with the five layouts and free magazine table. I've never seen so many railroad magazines disappear at any of our shows ever-Delightful. Uncle Milty's big screen videos was a nice touch also. But the biggest thing that made this show special was the wonderful participation. I noticed that when people were not sure what to do they asked for direction. Our members spread out and helped with Roger' O/S gauge and Thomas layouts. Jim Davenport had help from more than one person as well. The delay of a week for the show to even happen didn't deter anyone from being a part of the success at the VRC show. Pat yourselves on the back for a job well done, but be careful as we don't want any injuries with the Logging Conference and Swap Meet coming up soon.

Nuff said



ADVANCED SALES ON SWAP MEET 2024 RAFFLE TICKETS

Once again we will be taking orders in advance at the Jan and Feb club meeting for Swap Meet Raffle Tickets. You do not need to be present to win. All tickets must be paid for and picked up by 9:00 am Feb 17th . Over 90% of last years 70 Prizes were won by WCMRRC Members. See Greg Kent at raffle table or call

541-554-6812.

Membership Matters

By Gary Schwieger

We are well into the New Year and glad to get rid of the ice and snow of last week. Hope you survived the damage that was spread to all of Lane County and beyond.

We have added one new member and in talking with the visitors to the Valley River Center Show, I expect to add more to our membership.

Jonathan Decker is interested in HO Scale and has special talents in computers and programing. He is one of the Decker family members that are making our club a family affair.

Welcome Jonathan as you have welcome all our new members!



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'Tis the Season for the Model Railroad Show and Swap Meet



By Bruce Duncan



I've had the good fortune to attend model train show and swap meets in Medford, Klamath Falls, Albany and Salem, and in California in Anderson, Woodland, Roseville, Folsom and Dunsmuir. Also I have made it to shows in Seattle, Reno and Carson City. But in the last 35 years the WCMRRC Show and Swap Meet has been the only constant among all of these. All the others have come and gone sometimes more than once. It's a credit to the WCMRRC members for the longevity and growth of their show.

My first WCMRRC Show and Swap Meet experience was in the spring of 1994 with my brother and parents. It was quite enjoyable. At following shows I made new friends like having the pleasure to meet Lee Temple and his lovely wife Diane. I still remember my "treasure" I found at his Temple Trains and Things. It was a 12 car set of HO Roundhouse kits of ATSF 5 Bay Rapid Discharge Hoppers. What was unique is they were in 12 different road numbers, almost unheard of in 1994. In subsequent years I was able to meet and talk with other members like Fred Miranda and Gary Schwieger to name a few. It was always fun and interesting. And what about the treasures you could find? Like the Details West box cars I mentioned in the June 2023 newsletter or the propeller that became a monument in the May 2023 newsletter article. My favorite was the Oregon Rail passenger station kit I found in 1996 at the Eugene Toy and Hobby table, which is now built and the centerpiece of my layout.

After three decades of our family attending the show and swap meet, my brother and sister-in-law this last two years had their own tables at the swap meet. They were able to enjoy the event from the other side of the aisles. So, whatever pleases you, bring the family and make your way to the WCMRRC Show and Swap Meet this month and have fun.

What memories, treasures and or photos of prior swap meets do you have? Share them with the WCMRRC Newsletter.



Photo 1: Bill, Bruce & Darlene at the WCMRRC Swap Meet April 19th 2009

Photo 2: WCMRRC module at Eugene Show April 22nd 2012

Photo 3: WCMRRC Show, Bryam, Bill & Bruce March 1994

Photo 4: A dealer's table at WCMRRC Show & Swap Meet April 1st 2022

Photo 5: Oregon Rail passenger station on my layout January 1st 2019

T-SHIRTS & HATS

We have a good selection of T-Shirts and Hats. Contact Greg Kent 541-554-6812, gregkent@comcast.net. Before club meeting and I will bring them.

“Have cash? Will sell!”

CLUB ELECTIONS

It’s that time of year! We will be taking nominations for positions starting this month. If you want to nominate someone please be sure to ask them first to be sure that they want to run for a position.

We will vote for President, Vice President, Three Senior Board members, and a Junior Board Member.

This is also a great time to get involved with a committee.

Life is more fun when you’re part of it!

WHERE YOU CAN HELP!

President	Clinic Chair	Swap Meet Chair
Vice President	Membership Chair	Show Chair
Senior Board (3)	Refreshment Chair	Valley River
Junior Board	Secretary	Logging Show
Treasurer	Web Master	Fairs
Modular Chair	Gandy Dancer	Drain
Newsletter Editor	Sergeant at Arms	

STORAGE...STORAGE...STORAGE

We are still in need of members (5 to 6) that can store boxes of magazines for club functions give away.

We also need someone (1) to store the club tables and table cloths.

See Greg Kent at club meeting.

WHAT'S NEW

Hope all of you made it through the ice and snow that we experienced.

February is here and a very busy month with two events, the Swap Meet and Train Show and the Oregon Logging Conference.

The Swap Meet and Train Show is February 17th and 18th at the Lane Events Center.

We begin set up on Thursday, February 15th from 12:00 noon to 5:00 PM. We will be placing signs up and dropping electrical for those vendors that would like to have electricity.

On February 16th, We will need a crew of 6 people, 7:00 AM to complete setting up our tables for vendors. At 8:00 AM we will need more people to help the vendors move in and set up for the show.

February 17th the show will begin at 9:00AM for early birds, admission price is \$10.00 and at 10:00AM the doors will open to the public. The show will close at 5:00PM.

February 18th the show opens at 10:00 AM and we close at 3:00 PM. We will help vendors move out the items that they did not sale and take down our tables and the electrical drops.

The Oregon Logging Conference will be held the following week with set up beginning at 8:00 AM on Wednesday, February 20th and conclude at 5:00 PM.

On February 21st we will conclude our set up at 5:00 PM.

We will run logging trains beginning at 8:00 AM through 7:00 PM on February 22nd and 23rd.

On February 24th we will run trains from 8:00 AM through 2:00 PM with tear down immediately following.

Sign up sheets will be available at our meeting, at the Springfield Depot, for both events.

Thank you all for the wonderful turnout for set up and tear down at the Vally River Center Show.

Gary Schwieger

Contest of the Month 2023

February - Wood Products Car or Load with Name

!! WOOD PRODUCTS ANYTHING !!

**January Model of the Month's Logging Car can be added to
February Model of the Month's**

Wood Products. There will only be one (1) prize drawing.

March -Intermodal Car

July -Short Train not to exceed 5
pieces

April - Steam Engine (ANY)

August - Caboose

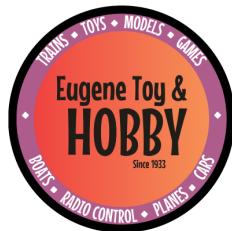
May - Trackside Business One (1)
Structure

September - Vehicle Model RR
Any Scale

June - Gondola or Open Top Hop-
per with Load

October - Single Dome Tank Car

*The winner of the contest of the Month receives a
\$5.00 Gift card for Eugene Toy & Hobby*



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Railroad bridge that was used in Oregon in the early 1900s.



Submissions are accepted for the Newsletter by email to
garyandbeckyd@gmail.com **Dead line is the end of the previous month!**

Club Officials

Elected Officers:

President: [Walt Mulford](#)

Vice President: [Milton Campbell](#)

Senior Members at Large:

[Greg Kent](#), [Jim Saville](#), [Gary Schwieger](#)

Junior Member at Large: [Asa Showalter](#)

Appointed Positions:

Modular Design Show Chair: [Mike Larson](#)

Modular Committee: [Jim Saville](#), [Gary Schwieger](#), [Greg Kent](#), [Noah Russell](#),
[Philip Fitzer](#), [Milton Campbell](#), [Walt Mulford](#).

Secretary: [Joe Rademacher](#)

News Letter Editor: [Gary Decker & Milton Campbell](#)

Communication Committee: [Gary Decker](#), [Milton Campbell](#), [Gill Hulin](#),
[Thomas Olson](#).

Show Chair: [Gary Schwieger](#)

Clinic Chairs: [Lee Temple & Noah Russell](#)

Membership Chair: [Gary Schwieger](#)

Treasurer: [Gary Decker](#)

Sergeant-at-Arms: [Martin Tighe](#)

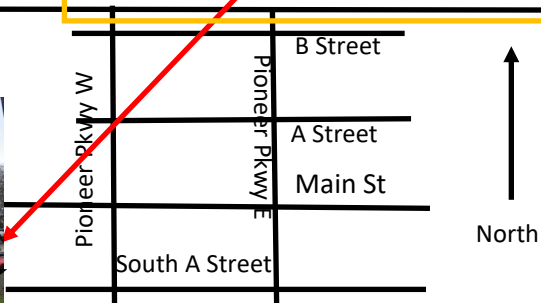
Web Master: [Milton Campbell](#), [Gary Decker](#), [Rod Minarik](#)

Refreshment Chair: [Charlie Lange](#)

Prize Drawings: [Greg Kent](#)

Springfield Depot Freight Room

101 South A Street , Springfield, Oregon



Run Schedule-Feb 2024

February 10th Informal breakfast at Brails Cafe-1689 Willamette St, Eugene at the Corner of 17th & Willamette. Arrive by 9:00 a.m. everyone goes Dutch and buys their own breakfast. Afterwards go to Eugene, Toy & Hobby 32 East 11th and pick up a few items you may need for your modeling purposes, pay on lay a way etc.

February 10th WCMRRC Springfield Depot *See Map* Open for Sales at 5:00 pm with the Business Meeting Starting at 7:00pm the
See you there!

February 17th–18th Swap Meet
Lane County Events Center

February 22th–24th Oregon Logging Conference
Lane County Events Center

March 9th WCMRRC Meeting Club Elections

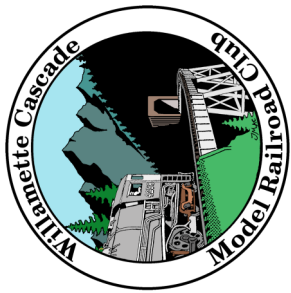


Notice! NEW Location

Notice:

All sellers are limited to only one table, due to the limited space At the Meetings!

TABLE PRICE: \$5.00 - 1/2 TABLE \$3.00 PAYABLE TO THE PRIZE DRAWING COMMITTEE



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