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Conductors Comments

By Walt Mulford, President

February was one busy month, for me wonderfully so. Our back-to-back events, swap meet and logging conference were well run and very successful. After the tear down of the logging conference there were a lot of tired but satisfied club members. We just beat the rain too. Once again, folks running their trains were having a good time. The number of box cars with specific wood products companies advertised on their sides was great. Club members took up the challenge of having other than obvious wood chip, lumber loads on flat cars and log cars to run. This goes to show how important the railroads have been and still are in moving wood products of all kinds. The layout was well thought out thanks to our module Noah Russell and the module committee. Greg Kent has the club trailer organized and packed in such a way that set up and tear down periods are very efficient. Club members are very aware that there are a lot of little jobs that need to be done and do them. for instance, placing spacers under the legs for leveling, putting fitter tracks in, holding modules that are being connected, and many other tasks. We want to run our trains, so we work together to do so. Very nice.

That was just on the ho scale layout. Dale Knox setting up the G scale logging layout was great to see. He had this visual in his mind and put it together as he saw the layout grow. Made it up as he went along. Delightful. He had items that people could find hidden on the layout. Minions were the biggest hit. Some history in the form of books and videos were very interesting to visitors. I especially enjoyed the video of his father driving the log truck and the logging camp that he worked out of.

Gary Schwieger did a great job working with the logging conference so we could set up and run our wood product trains.

Back in time a little further, of course, was our swap meet. Feedback from the vendors indicated it was a success. We saw many smiles of customers as well. Saturday saw a steady stream of customers come through the door whereas Sunday had a lighter crowd. The number of club members that turned out to help was great, to say the least. Every little bit helped from walking around keeping eyes and ears open, doing front door security, overnight security (Thanks to Marty, Milton and Ace), and members manning the front desk area for entry payment and ticket plus hand stamping. Thanks to Udi for overseeing the raffle on both days, and Greg selling club owned G scale equipment that wasn't being used. The turnout for setup and teardown for the swap meet was great.

Two things really stand out about the swap meet. First and foremost was the work and dedication Peter Wood and John Krotulski did in preparing for the swap meet. This

preparation is a yearlong process. It literally starts at the end of the previous year's meet. THANK YOU! The other item is that two of our junior members helped out at the front desk. This was their first time helping in this capacity. Some OJT. They did great and now we have more club members trained to help in the future. Thank you, Keller and Titus.

Our success during February was a direct result of the club members' enthusiastic interest and participation. THANKS TO ALL.



Membership Matters

We have one member who reinstated his membership and four new members.

Thomas Olson has reinstated his membership, and his interest is HO scale modeling and web development. Good to have you back.

Cleve Brown has joined the club and his interest is HO scale and construction of new modules. He is new to the hobby.

Kurt and Joseph Peterson, a father and son team, have decided to get involved in the HO scale model railroading. They both have a long time interest in trains.

Connor Franklin has been a long time member of the Oregon Electric "O" Gaugers Model Railroad Club and he is interested in learning about HO scale. He has more HO scale engines and cars than O scale.

Welcome all new and reinstated members. Get involved because the more you put in the more fun you will have.

Gary Schwieger
Membership Chair

March 2025 Club Module Clinic and Beyond

We have an exciting series of hands-on clinics coming up soon!

Beginning at our March 2025 WCMRRC club meeting, Mike Larson will be hosting an in-person and hands-on, ongoing module construction clinic to create a new club module.

The clinics will begin with a blank slate module that's constructed to our club specs, and will be worked on by Mike and any WCMRRC club members who are interested in learning about how to lay road bed and track, wire modules, apply scenery, and more!

The main goal of these build sessions will be a fun new way for club members to participate in the construction of a new club module and to gain experience and confidence that can be used on their model railroads at home, or their own new modules to be used during our Train Shows!

Work sessions will likely begin before each meeting, during sale hours at about 5:00 PM and will go until the start of our business meeting at 7:00 PM each month, until the project's completion. Everyone is invited to show up and hang out and learn or get their hands dirty, no matter how new or experienced!

If you have any questions, feel free to ask either me or Mike.

I hope to see you there!

-Noah Russell.

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Logging Conference







Contest of the Month 2025

March– Gondola or open top hopper with load

April– Maintenance of Way equipment or car

May – RR Structure One (1) Building, Bridge, or Station

June– Short train not to exceed 5 cars

July– Covered Hopper 2 Bay to 4 Bay

August– Wood Products car or Load with name

September– Caboose

October– Steam Engine 6 driver or less

November– Trackside Business One (1) Structure

December– Diesel Locomotive

*The winner of the model of the Month contest receives a **\$10.00***

*Gift card for **Eugene Toy & Hobby***

February Model of the Month:

Log Car

Winner - Dale Knox



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Eugene Toy & Hobby – Alan and Andrew Agerter

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DC Module Construction

Frame 1X6 ends. Sides should also be minimum 1x6
Top Plywood
Legs 2X2 braced. May be attached to frame to fold out.
Primer This seals the wood.
Wire buss 12 AWG in six colors: Red, Black, Yellow, White, Green, Blue
Lay mainline roadbed cork
Lay back track and sidings roadbed cork
Lay mainline track Code 100
Connect feeders from bus to mainline 18 or 20 AWG solid copper
Lay back track
Connect feeders from bus to back track 18 or 20 AWG solid copper
Apply scenery, and details.
Buss connectors at each end. Buss line should have a terminal block strip at each end.
Pass inspection.

DCC T-Trak Module Construction

Top	9mm Baltic Birch Plywood		
Sides	9mm Baltic Birch Plywood		
Wire	Blue and White 12 gauge primary wire		
Connectors	Anderson Power Poles (Blue, White)		
Track	KATO Unitrak	Single module	Kato 2-150 1 package
		Standard Corner inner	Kato 2-210 1 package

Club Officials

Elected Officers:

President: [Walt Mulford](#)

Vice President: [Milton Campbell](#)

Senior Members at Large:

[Greg Kent](#), [Gary Decker](#), [Udie Bauer](#)

Junior Member at Large: [Keller Krotulski](#)

Appointed Positions:

Modular Chair: [Noah Russell](#)

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

Secretary: [Joe Rademacher](#)

Treasurer: [Gary Decker](#)

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

Communication Committee: [Gary Decker](#), [Milton Campbell](#), [Gill Hulin](#), [John Krotulski](#)

Web Masters: [Milton Campbell](#) , [Gary Decker](#), [Rod Minarik](#), [John Krotulski](#)

Show Chair: [John Krotulski](#)

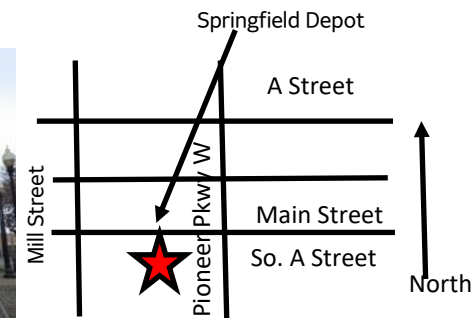
Clinic Chairs: [Noah Russell](#) & [Lee Temple](#)

Membership Chair: [Gary Schwieger](#)

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

Refreshment Chair: [Walt Mulford](#)

Prize Drawings: [Greg Kent](#)



Run Schedule-March 2025

March 8th 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.

March 8th WCMRRC Meeting **Springfield Depot** *See Map*

April 12th WCMRRC Meeting **Springfield Depot** *See Map*

May 10th WCMRRC Meeting **Springfield Depot** *See Map*

June 14th WCMRRC Meeting **Springfield Depot** *See Map*

July 12th WCMRRC Meeting **Springfield Depot** *See Map*

July 23-27th Lane County Fair **Lane County Fairgrounds**

July 30th-August 2nd Benton County Fair **Benton County Fairgrounds**

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

**Willamette Cascade Model
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You to the Springfield
Chamber of Commerce for
the use of the Springfield
Depot for our meetings.**





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