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Conductors Comments

By Walt Mulford, President

November brings us a little closer to winter and with that the Drain train show. Of course, signup sheets will be available at the November meeting. I'm really looking forward to this show. While the viewer turnout is not as high as many of our other shows the environment is very pleasant at their public library, It's more of a community center really ,with the nice big room we set up in and the kitchen which is so nice as our travel to and from there is one of our longer trips. 50ish minutes from my house. Greg Kent has traditionally provided us with good tasting chili as well as goodies provided by other club members.

Since travel could be a potential problem for some, I will be glad to have folks ride with me. 3 passengers will fit comfortably in my vehicle. I'll be going down every day, Wednesday (19th)- Monday (24th).

Along the lines of member participation, we have the wonderful issue of our club being full of younger non-retired members. The issue is a rule we've had for several years that states if you don't set up and/or teardown you can't run on the layout. That's a problem because some of our younger members are busy with work, school and other real life stuff on week days when we set up and tear down. In the past the club has allowed members with constraints to do other tasks to fulfill the requirements to run trains. One suggestion is to set up and tear down, on a monthly basis, at our club meetings. So don't let the setup/teardown rule stop you from the best part of our club-running our trains. Come to me, or your favorite board member, with ideas. Please understand this is not a substitute for layout setup/teardown but an alternative until you can help with the needed setup/teardown at shows.

On a very sad note, our sergeant-at-arms and long-term member Martin Tighe has passed away. Martin has had some pretty serious medical issues for several months recently. Lee Temple will give a eulogy as he and Martin were close.

Drain Train Show

November 21st, 22nd, and 23rd
School kids on the morning of the 24th.
Set up on the 19th and 20th.



Sign up sheets will be at the November meetings.

This year's show is sponsored by the Drain Public Library.

The Atlantic & Pacific N'gineers will be joining us.



Membership Matters

Welcome Carter Neely as our newest member of the WCMRRC. He joined at our October meeting is really interested in HO scale model railroading. As a child, he had some trains and is now interested in getting back into the hobby.

Carter is starting from the bottom and wants to learn everything about the hobby. I said there is a wealth of information and do not be afraid to ask questions.

We are 74 members strong.

The Drain show is for set-up on November 19 and 20 with run time available on November 21 through November 23 and a half day on November 24 where the kids from the area elementary schools come in and run trains.

I am calling all members to get involved as we have a handful of members volunteering for setup, tear down, and run time. Need transportation, just ask someone and we can help with transportation down and back. NEED YOUR HELP
Now is the time to reinvigorate your interest in model railroading. No better time to start dusting off your engines and rolling stock so that you can run your equipment at the Drain Show.

Gary Schwieger
Membership Chair

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Engineers Dispatch

On Friday, October 31st, Udie and I went to Forest Products Hardwoods and purchased one 4X8 and five 5X5 sheets of 9mm Baltic birch plywood. We transported them to Camp Harlow's woodshop (courtesy of Udie).

We gathered with Noah and Walt on Saturday morning and after changing out the blade on the table saw we spent four hours cutting out the modules.



Raw materials



4 Corners with Front/Backs and Sides



8 Singles and 8 Doubles...



The crew cutting sides, and front/back.

We are waiting for parts for the module feet that we have ordered to arrive., and for KATO Uni-joiner wire sets to connect to your track. I have assembled most of the singles, and we have 6 for sale at \$19 each.

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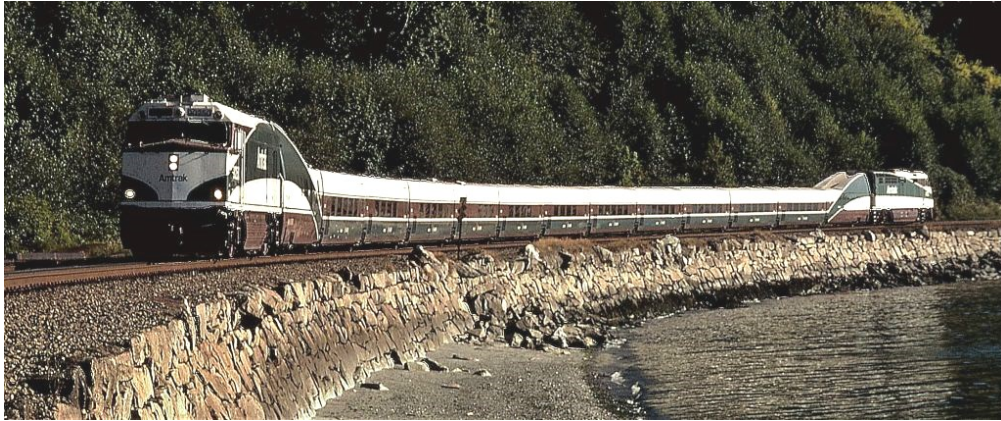
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New Amtrak Cascades being tested in Colorado

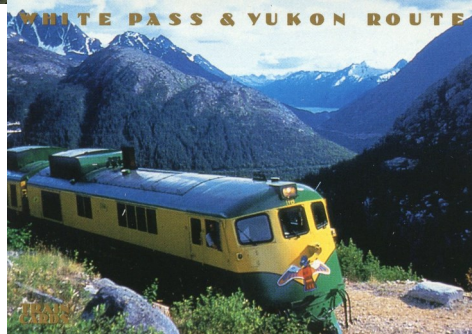


Bear With ME



Next year, Dale and Linda will be celebrating their anniversary in France.

Suggestions are now being taken for a location for next years picnic.



White Pass & Yukon Route
No. 97, No. 100 • Alco Road Diesels

The best known portion of the WP&YR runs from sea level, in Skagway, AK, to 2865' at White Pass Summit. The route continues 20.2 miles to Lake Bennett, and originally ran 110 miles to Whitehorse. While the entire trip rates as one of the most breathtaking in the world, a few of the highlights include:

- Mile 2** – Shops, site of repair facilities.
- Mile 8.6** – Clifton, station served as HQ for a section gang.
- Mile 10.4** – Black Cross Rock, 1898 blasting accident buried two workers.
- Mile 14** – Glacier Station, once a stopping place for thirsty steam engines.
- Mile 16** – Tunnel Mt., train crosses Glacier Gorge then enters tunnel 1,000 ft. above the chasm floor.
- Mile 18.6** – Steel Bridge, built in 1901. Prior to construction, trains followed a harrowing switchback route.
- Mile 20.4** – White Pass Summit.

10 TRAIN CARDS SPECIAL

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The club is in need of a carpenter. A box needs to be built to store and transport our single track bridge. Just like the box for our double track bridge, the new box needs to have storage space for the bridge, the bridge mounting hardware, and the associated track pieces and weights.

Contest of the Month 2025

November– Trackage Business One (1) Structure

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*The winner of the model of the
Month contest receives a \$5 bill
or a \$10 gift card*

December– Diesel Locomotive

October Model of the Month:

Steam Engine 6 driver or less

Winner:

Kyle Gabba

2026 Model of the Month

**Be thinking about what 12 models of the month
you would like for next year. Greg will be having a
selection sheet for each member at the upcoming
meeting.**

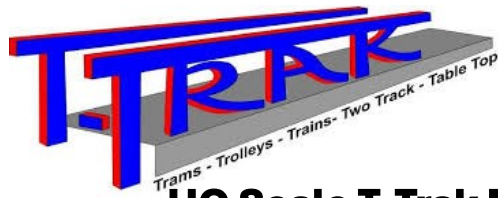
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Thank You For All Of Your Support For Our Club!





HO Scale T-Trak Module Spacing

The outside track centerline is 83mm (3.25") from the front edge. The track spacing is 60mm.

The length of a single module is 490 mm. The length of a double module is 980 mm. These dimensions allow for the KATO Uni-joiners to overhang the module. KATO track is mandatory at the module interface, but not entirely necessary within the module. You can have turnouts, sidings, etc., but the turnouts must be PECO!

Module availability

We have 6 single modules available at \$19 each, and 1 double module for \$32.

All 4 corners have been sold.

I will start taking orders for the next round after the last of these are sold.

Parts availability

I talked with Peter Florack at ET&H last week and he will be ordering more packs of KATO 2-150 to have them in stock in the future.



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](#).

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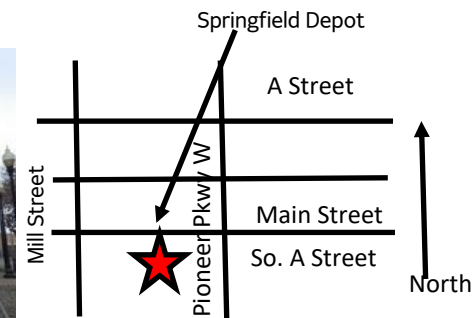
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Membership Chair: [Gary Schwieger](#)

Sergeant-at-Arms:

Refreshment Chair: [Walt Mulford](#)

Prize Drawings: [Greg Kent](#)



Run Schedule-November 2025

October 11th 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.

November 8th WCMRRC Meeting **Springfield Depot**

November 19th –24th Drain Train Show and Holiday Preview **Drain Civic Center** Drain Oregon.

Set-up on Wednesday the 19th and Thursday the 20th. Open to the public November 21st-23rd. Monday the 24th Grade school kids from Yoncalla and West Douglas School districts 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. (Followed by teardown.

December 13th WCMRRC Christmas Party **Springfield Depot**

January 10th WCMRRC Meeting **Springfield Depot**

January 21st—25th 2026 Valley River Show **Valley River Center**

February 14th– 15th WCMRRC 37th Annual Swap Meet **Lane Events Center**

February 2026 Oregon Logging Conference **Lane Events Center**



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Thank you to the Springfield Chamber of Commerce for the use of the Springfield Depot for our meetings.



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