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Message From The Superintendent

As we approach our first anniversary meeting, it is fitting that September, 2000 has been Division 10's finest hour. After a great meeting, two outstanding clinics and a cookout at Bob Lawson's in Danville we had our first Div. 10 train show in Somerset this past weekend. I'll let our editor elaborate more on both events but they were absolutely great fun for all, and many thanks to all of you who attended and helped with them.

The clinic for our next meeting at the Beaumont library will be conducted by Miles and Fran Hale. Miles is a Master Model Railroader and both he and Fran previously worked for Woodland

NEWS, EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Whew, what a month!

Welcome to new members:

- 87 Adam Harmon, Lexington
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- 90 Michael Citak, Somerset

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Scenics. Their clinic is a "must see" for all model railroaders.

Speaking of Master Model Railroaders, Wendell Greer is the newest member of this elite group of model railroaders. Less than 300 in the country. Congratulations and well done, Wendell. Who will be next? It all starts with one small project at a time.

Fred

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NEWS, EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

General meeting:

The general Meeting in Danville was super. Bob Lawson was a great host, and presents a truly professional layout, with some of the best modeling you'll see anywhere. The clinics Bob gave on building trees and scratch-building structures were well done and very informative. Besides, it's just a pleasure to drive down to Danville on what turned into a very pretty day, and walk around the grounds, into the caboose, etc.

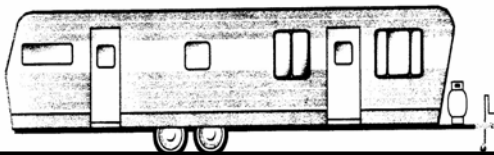
And let's not forget the dogs & burgers Ray Grosser cooked up for us, nor all the fixings prepared and served by several others.

It was also a lot of fun to drive over to John Bowling's layout again, and see all the progress there since our last visit.

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Mike Armstrong**

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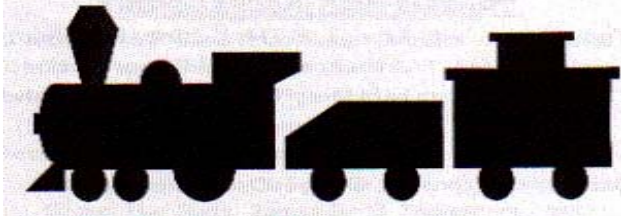
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win-win!!

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NEWS, EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

It's hard to top the trips to Danville...

Somerset:

But for a different kind of activity, how about our Somerset show—was that a kick! In case you missed it, there are a few pictures on page 5, but you really “hadda be there!” The facilities were great, the layouts were great, and everyone had a good time. Those who helped to put it on are to be congratulated on a job well done.

The feedback from those with sales tables was that they had excellent results, and of course we're invited back next year .

One thing I'll remember especially was the spirit of cooperation and camaraderie. We had many different clubs and groups represented, and it was a great opportunity to see and talk to people in other railroad groups. And at then end, when things were kind of hectic, with everyone scrambling to disassemble the layouts and get them loaded and get out, there was still friendliness and cooperation.

Altoona:

Better move quick if you haven't yet made your arrangements to attend the triple-threat convention. See more on page 6 and

the web site.

Officer Elections:

The ‘landslide’ results are in, and the current officer slate has been unanimously elected. We will all try to do the best we can to serve the Division, and we'll be calling on many of you to help in the months ahead.

Also, according to the bylaws, the officers will appoint board members as needed to fill vacancies, etc.

Pete



The above pictures from the Prodigy Internet Photo Gallery

Member Aid

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Center of the show: Ray & Renee Grosser's layout.



Frank Randell running Lionel



NMRA Booth at show entrance..



NMRA table in foreground, layouts and sales table in background



G. Baker & future NMRA member



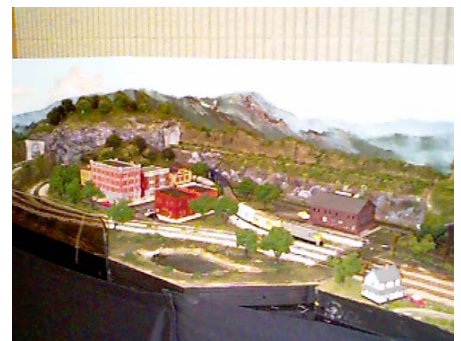
Robin Grider & Danville Club layout.



Closeup of Ray & Renee Grosser's layout.



N-Trak layout control center.



One end of the N-Trak layout.



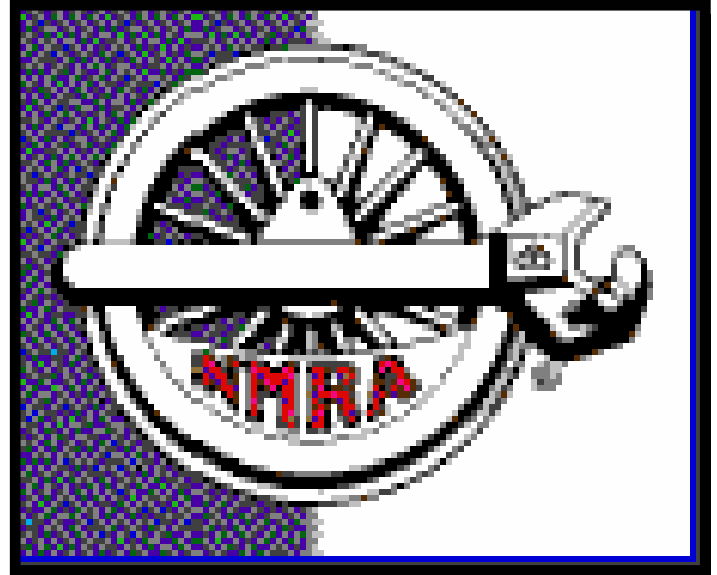
Dudley Gravitt and the Lionel/O layout.



Gee! It's G!

PICTURES FROM SOMERSET

Apologies to providers of layouts not shown. We weren't able to get all the pictures we wanted, and some of the ones we got didn't turn out well.



JUNIATA JUNCTION MER/MCR/NER JOINT CONVENTION

October 5-8 Altoona, PA

This is excerpted from the convention website,
<http://www.cincy-div7.org/JuniataJunction.html>
 Use the website for the latest information on the convention. There's a link to it on our Div 10 website,
<http://pages.prodigy.net/rrpete/links.html>

Features Summary:

- ~ Shuttle Bus Transportation ~
- ~ About 30 Clinics ~
- ~ RAILFEST, featuring Horseshoe curve ~
- ~ Lots of non-rail excursion features ~
- ~ Home layout tours ~
 - ~ Contests ~
 - ~ Live Auction ~
 - ~ Door Prizes ~
 - ~ More!

The Inclined Plane Railway at Johnstown, from their website:
<http://www.inclinedplane.com/>



**See You at
The Convention!**

MEMBER PROFILES

Tom Brough



Tom lives at 3412 Flintridge Circle in Lexington, KY, with his wife, Lorene. They have 5 grown children - three boys and two girls - and four grandchildren - three boys and a girl.

He is retired after 35 years with New York Life, where he specialized in pensions and estate planning. Lorene is a retired nurse.

A 25 by 30 foot HO layout fills a lot of Tom's hobby time. It takes after the Southern primarily, but also includes C&O, PRR and Norfolk & Western. The layout is a single track, point-to-point operation with 3 elevations, tunnels, and a city modeled.

Other railroad interests include video tapes, of which he has quite a collection, and O scale. Tom also likes gardening.

Tom has been very active in model railroading, and enjoys especially operation and building scenery. He was chairman of the

Witless vs Clueless

Rivets O'Reilly and Larry Loungecar
"Be All You Can Be"

Larry: Hey, Rivets, howya doin'?

Rivets: Oh, Hi, Larry - not too good. How're you?

Larry: I'm doin' just fine, Rivets. What's the matter?

Rivets: I saw some great layouts last weekend on a tour - great construction, beautiful scenery, flawless operations - you name it...

Larry: That sounds great, rivets. I don't understand what's botherin' you.

Rivets: It's depression, that's what! I want my layout to be the best, but there's always some joker around to outdo me. It's hard on us obsessive, compulsive types.

Larry: Yeah, I guess that is tough. But on the other hand, your layout's better than lots I've seen, Rivets. Do you think those guys should be depressed, too?

Rivets: Naw, Larry - they all have good layouts.

Larry: So we're all in the same boat - there's only one layout that's the absolute best, but that don't mean all the rest are no good, right?

Rivets: Yeah, that's right, Larry.

Larry: So we should all just work from where we are towards a little improvement, right?

Rivets: Yeah, I guess so...

Larry: So, feel a little better now?

Rivets: No.

Larry: No?

Rivets: No. I still want MY layout to be the best!

Larry: Maybe one day, Rivets...just keep at it. But in the meantime, lighten up, buddy!

25 year anniversary banquet for the Bluegrass Railroad Club. Where he was a member for 20 years, and also served on the Board.

Some of his current activities include refreshing his layout, now 20 years old, and possibly moving into a larger scale.



AROUND THE BEND...

NEXT MEETING:

October

Sunday, Oct. 1:

NMRA MCR Div. 10:
2:00 pm, Beaumont Li-
brary.

Oct. 5-8:

Juniata Junction
MCR/MER/NER
Joint Convention in
Altoona, PA

November

Sunday, November 5:

NMRA MCR Div. 10: 2:00
pm, Beaumont Library.

Clinic:

Woodland Scenics
Diorama, "30 miles in 3"

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Tours:

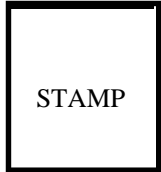
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Joe Holbrook—HO and O

Clinic & Tours to be
announced.



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