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TIME: 1:00 PM

The annual picnic will be held on
September 10, 2005
at Jack Kreeger's residence,
20 Jan Drive, Hebron, CT
(860-643-4082) Starting at 1:00PM
You must provide your own chairs & a
small card table. You must provide your
own soft drinks, but ice will be provided.
Also we request that you bring a dish to
feed 5 people. Nutmeg will provide Hot
Dogs, Hamburgers and chicken fillets.
Cost will be \$ 8.00 per individual or
\$15.00 per couple.
Reservation form and Directions to

Jack's on page 7

TIME 7:30PM

(Note time change 1/2 hour later)

John Sacerdote will give a clinic on hand laying track and switches.

We will again provide a "show & tell" opportunity for attendees to show and describe their models and/or photographs...

Directions to the meeting are on page 7.

The Brass Hats



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ANNUAL TRAIN SHOW

Well its that time for the Nutmeg Division Train Show. It will be held on November 6, 2005 at the Colony in Vernon, Rt.30/83 from 10am to 3pm.

WE WILL NEED HELP.

The BOD has planned a raffle, white elephant table and a clinic for beginners titled "From "Starter Set to Small Layout". For the white elephant table the BOD hopes that you will donate any of your unwanted model railroad kits with all the proceeds going to the division. Help the division's bank account by donating some kits. We will need help at the ticket desk, white elephant table and the raffle. Even if you can stay for only a couple of hours it will sure help. Remember this is your division not the BOD's If you wish to help out contact me at 860-872-2240 or email: joseph_sokol@msn.com

NEW COUPLER EDITOR

The Northeast Region's newsletter, The Coupler has a new editor, Phil Monat a Metro-North Division member who would like to be informed of any train shows, fan trips and any type of activities that you know of. He would like to have a least 6 months lead time. Contact Phil at:

PhilMonat@aol.com

NORTHEASTERN REGION FALL CONVENTION

The MetroNorth Division is sponsoring the Northeastern Region Convention Fall Convention "METROPOLITAN LIMITED" on October 6 thru October 9, 2005 at the Sheraton Stamford in Stamford, CT. The division's show committee has developed an outstanding program. For details check their website: www.metronorthnmra.org or call John Campbell, 860-568-5075 for a registration form.

HARTFORD NATIONAL 2009

The above name has been chosen for the National Convention in Hartford to be held from July 5 thru July 9, 2009. Various designs of a logo are being reviewed. The NMRA has signed contracts with the Convention Center and the Marriot Hotel in Hartford. The Host Committee has formed a corporation known as The Hartford National 2009, Inc. The contract agreement between The Hartford National 2009 and the NMRA is in the final stages of negotiation. As soon as an EIN (Employment Identification Number) is received, The Hartford National 2009 will submit a request to the IRA to obtain a non-profit designation. The Host Committee consisting of John Sacerdote, Chairperson, Vin Gallogly and Al Daley, vice-chairpersons are presently lining up Chairpersons for the various activities required to conduct a National Convention.

Upcoming Events in the New England area (To obtain more information about any of the events listed below, go to www.trains.com, click on Schedule of Events from the Resource list on the left side of the screen. Next click on Search by State on the left side of the screen. Choose a state from the list. Click on any event you are interested in and all information available will be displayed.

Connecticut:	raname win be aispiayea.
10th Annual All Gauge Train Show	
New Haven, CT	Sunday, August 21, 2005
Naugatuck Flyer Metro-North Group Travel Railfan Trip	C - 1 - C - 1 - 11 2005
Waterbury, CT Greenwich Connecticut Early Fall Train Meet	Sunday, September 11, 2005
Old Greenwich, CT	Sunday, September 25, 2005
Northeastern Region Fall Convention	
Stamford, CT	
New Haven & Derby Railroad Club Model Train Show	
West Haven, CT	Sunday, October 9, 2005
Farewell to the FL9 Metro-North Group Travel Railfan Trip Stamford, CT	Sunday October 23, 2005
Stamford Model RR Club O Scale Swap Meet and Open House	Sunday, October 23, 2003
Stamford, CT	Saturday, October 29, 2005
Classic Shows, LLC Train Show	·
Wallingford, CT	Sunday, October 30, 2005
Nutmeg Division Train Show	Sunday Namehan (2005
Vernon, CT	Sunday, November 6, 2005
Massachusetts:	
Greenberg's Train, Toy & Hobby Show	
Wilmington, MA	Saturday & Sunday, August 27 & 28, 2005
Old Colony Model RR Club's 4th Annual Model RR Show Taunton, MA	Sunday Santambar 18, 2005
Providence and Worcester Rail Fan Club and Museum, Inc. Show	Sunday, September 16, 2005
Webster, MA	Sunday, September 25, 2005
P&W Excursion	
Worcester, MA	Saturday, October 1, 2005
Southern New England Model RR Club O Scale Train Show and Open House Gardner, MA	Saturday October 15, 2005
North Shore Model Railroad Club 2005 Open House	Saturday, October 13, 2003
Wakefield, MA	Saturday & Sunday, October 22 & 23, 2005
South Shore Model Railway Club Open House	
Hingham, MA	Saturday & Sunday, October 29 & 30, 2005
South Shore Model Railway Club Fall Open House & Show Hingham, MA	Saturday & Sunday October 20 & 20 2005
14th Annual Brockton Train Show	Saturday & Sunday, October 29 & 30, 2003
Brockton, MA	Sunday, November 6, 2005
Worcester Model Railroaders, Inc. Open House	
Worcester, MA	Sunday, November 6, 2005
New Hampshire:	
20th Annual Concord Model Railroad Club Train Show	
Concord, NH	Sunday, September 11, 2005
Railroadiana Auction	
Brookline, NH	Saturday, October 29, 2005
Bedford Boomers Model Train Exhibition	Sunday November 6, 2005
Bedford, NH.	
Vermont:	
13th Annual Glory Days of the Railroad Festival	0 . 1 . 0 . 1 . 0 . 2007
White River Junction, VT	Saturday, September 9, 2005
Rutland Center, VT	Saturday September 24 2005
First Frost Special	Saturday, September 27, 2003
White River Junction, VT (to St. Johnsbury)	Saturday & Sunday, October 29 & 30, 2005

Web Sites

NMRA

http://www.nmra.org

Northeastern Region NMRA

http://www.trainweb.org/northeasternregion/ NERHOME.HTML

Nutmeg Division NER

http://www.trainweb.org/northeasternregion/ NERDIV05.HTML

NER Convention Information

http://www.trainweb.org/northeasternregion/ NERREG04.HTML

Connecticut Railroad Attractions

http://www.railterminal.com/ctrr.html

Don Irace

Providence & Worcester Model Railroad

http://www.trainweb.org/pwmrr

Ed Juaire

East Coast Railroad

http://railfan145.com/

Bob Davis

Mashamou Valley & Western Railroad

http://www.members.tripod.com/railfan10/

Bob Van Cleef

North River Railway

http://www.northriverrailway.com/Home.html

George Sellios

Franklin and South Manchester Railroad

http://www.horailroad.com/frm/fsmlayout.html

Connecticut G Scalers

http://members.tripod.com/"CTGScalers/

Adobe Acrobat

To download free Acrobat Reader http://www.adobe.com



Internet Resource

Bob Van Cleef, of the Nutmeg Division, created an internet web site with a lot of links to various places on the internet. There are various sections for people to visit. The web site address is:

http://www.northriverrailway.com/nutmeglinks.html

Below is the main page from Bob's web site:

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> This web site only works with Microsoft Internet Explorer and will not display correctly with Netscape.



HELPFUL LINKS
FOR NUTMEG
DIVISION
MEMBERS
NUTMEG LINKS PAGE

Welcome The following links are made

available to members of the Nutmeg Division for the viewing

<u>Clubs</u> pleasure and use of its members. If you have a favorite sight or

would like to see any changes, additions or corrections, please

contact us at the Nutmeg Divi-

sion.

<u>Museums</u>

Layouts

Supplies

Misc.

DISCLAIMER:

These links have been provided courtesy of Bob Van Cleef of the

North River Railway and are presented on an "as is" basis. Please

<u>BACK</u> note that we can not be responsible for accuracy or content of any

sight not under our direct control.



Nutmeg Division Northeastern Region National Model Railroad Assn.

Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting, August 4, 2005

The meeting was held at Bob Van Cleef's home. Attending were Joe Sokol, Jack Kreeger, Ken May, Charlie Bettinger, Bob Van Cleef and George Reitze. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by Joe Sokol.

TREASURERS REPORT

Ken May: The bank balance is \$507.91. After outstanding checks are cashed the balance is reduced to \$176.31. A check for \$50 remains to be deposited, which will give a balance of \$226.31.

COMMITTIES AND ACTIVITIES

Web Site

Bill Appell is maintaining coming events and activities. Bob Van Cleef has offered to evaluate the web site and coordinate an upgrade.

Nutmeg Flyer

No report

Membership Promotion

Jack Kreeger: The next activity will be at the November 6 Train Show

Brass Hats

Charlie Bettinger was appointed as a Division Director.

Membership Services

No report

Business Cards

Jack Kreeger will make cards for Charlie Bettinger.

Achievement Awards

No activity

Mailing List

The list is up to date.

REGIONAL BUSINESS

The future conventions are: Fall 2005 Stamford, CT. 4days Spring 2006 Parsippany, NJ Fall 2006 Worcester, MA. Spring 2007 Hartford, CT.

NER Coupler

Phil Monat is the new Coupler editor. He plans to increase coverage of news and coming events.

NATIONAL BUSINESS

2009 Convention

Ken May attended a meeting at the Cincinnati Convention. A contract for the 2009 Hartford Convention is being negotiated with National. Full scale publicity will begin after the 2006 convention. A request has been made for additional space at the January 2006 Amherst Train Show.

NEW BUSINESS

Nutmeg Events

The next meeting will be a picnic at Jack Kreeger's home in Hebron. The cost will be \$8 per person, \$15 for a couple.

The next regular meeting will be held on Friday Nov. 11 at 7:30 PM at the Wethersfield Police Station. A clinic and show and tell will be held.

A discussion was held on the desirability of changing the regular meetings to Saturday morning or afternoon.

Train Show

The annual train show will be held at the Colony in Vernon on Sunday Nov. 6.A clinic aimed at beginners will be held with an associated raffle.

Donations of surplus modeling supplies in good or new condition to be sold at the white elephant table are requested, with all proceeds going to the Division.

Calendar

Jack Kreeger and Ken May are preparing a 2006 calendar featuring member's layouts.

Membership

A discussion was held on the desirability of having a \$5.00 per year membership dues to cover the operating and mailing expenses of the Division.

Benefit of the Order

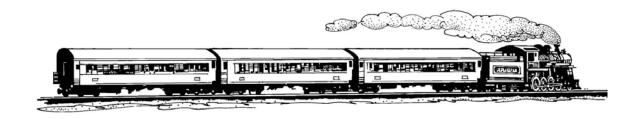
No report.

Next BOD meeting-Oct. 16 at 7:30 PM at Ken May's home

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM

Respectfully submitted, George Reitze, Secretary





Model Railroading Clubs

Compiled by Al Daley

Connecticut G Gauge Module Club G Scale Dave Snow (co-founder), 68 Hacienda Circle Plantsville, CT 06479, (860) 276-9324

Connecticut G Scalers G Scale George L. Edgerton, 111 Fan Hill Road Monroe, CT 06460, (203) 268-3410 Round Robin (meet in members homes monthly)

Connecticut S Gaugers *S Scale*Bill Fuhrman, 174 Lukes Road, Bethlehem, CT 06751 (203) 266-7935,

Connecticut Society of Ferroequinologists and Model Railway Engineers O Scale
See the Silk City Model Railroad

Hartford Garden Railway Society *G Scale* Contact Person: Lee Brandes (860) 291-0611 P.O. Box 150 South Windsor, CT 06074

Housatonic Model Railroad Club *HO Scale* Contact Person: Jeff Dean P. O. Box 234, Fairfield, CT 06824

Mohegan - Pequot Model RR Club *G* ,*HO*, *N*, *O Scales* (*Modular*)
P. O. Box 276, Westbrook, CT 06498

Contact Person: Bill Paradis, (860) 434-7040 Location: Bill Memorial Library, Rt. 117, Ledyard, CT Meets 2nd & 4th Sun. at 7:30 p.m. (Once per month in July and August).

New Haven Society of Model Engineers *HO Scale* Wallingford, CT

Contact Person: Blaise Vece, (203) 239-9367 Location: Wallingford Train Station, 37 Hall Ave. Wallingford, CT Meets every Friday night. Silk City Model Railroad Club HO, N, O scales 71 Hilliard Street, Manchester, CT 06040 Contact: Robert Bell or Michael Halvorsen, (860) 646-0610 Meets 1st & 3rd Sun. from 2:30-4:00 p.m.

P. O. Box 2123, Darien, CT 06820 Contact Person: Bob Wagner, (203) 966-2355 Location of Club: St. John's Episcopal Church, 625 Main Street, Stamford, CT Meets every Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m. (Operation 1st Tues.).

Tobacco Valley Modular Railroad Club *HO Scale(Modular)* Contact Person: Ken May, (860) 872-3441 Location of Club: Site to be determined

Torrington Area Model Railroaders HO, N, S, G or Large Scale
123 McGuiness Street, Torrington CT 06790-3232

Contact: Phil Lent, (860) 489-8961, Location of Club: Lewis St., Torrington, CT Business Meeting 7 p.m. the 1_{st} Tuesday of the month and running or clinic after. Every Wednesday at 7 p.m. is an operating night for those who would like to run.

Valley HO Track Club HO Scale (Modular) Contact People: Bob Collett, (203) 929-4084 or John "Duke" O'Connell, President, (203) 389-8967 Location of Club: Round robin at members' houses. Meets monthly.

Valley N Track Club N Scale (Modular)
Contact People: Art Frankforter, (203) 929-4986 or Jim Dahl, (203) 748-0670
Location of Club: Round robin at members' houses.
Meets 2nd Wednesday.

To visit the website of some of the clubs, go to the NMRA website (shown in List of Websites), click on *Directory of Word Wide Rail Sites*, click on *Clubs: States A-E*, click on *CT*.

Directions to:

Jack & Lorraine Kreeger's Home 20 Jan Drive Hebron, CT 860-643-4082

From the North:

At the intersection of State routes 6, 44 & 85 in Bolton: Follow route 85 south to just beyond the entrance to Gay City State Park, make the next left on to London Road. At the top of the hill at the flashing caution light make a right on to Jan Drive. Jack & Lorraine's house is the third house on the right.

From the South:

At the junction of State routes 85 & 66 Hebron Center: Follow 85 north to London Road turn right onto London Road just before the entrance to Gay City State Park and follow the above directions from London Road..

From the West:

At the junction

of state routes 2 and 94 (Hebron Ave):

Nutmeg Division Picnic Reservation

Follow 94 East to the intersection of Route 85 and turn left on to route 85 north. Follow 85 to the London Road and follow the directions from above for London Road.

From the East:

From Eastern Connecticut, follow routes 6 or 44 west to the junction of 85 south and follow the above directions from the north.



Directions to:

March 20, 2005 Membership Meeting at the Wethersfield Police Department.

From either North or South:

Take Route I-91 to Exit 28, Routes 5/15 South, Wethersfield/Newington.

On Route 5/15, take Exit 85, Route 99 South, Wethersfield/Rocky Hill.

On Route 99, (Silas Deane Highway), continue to 2nd traffic signal and turn left into driveway between shopping center and police station. Dunkin Doughnuts on near corner at traffic signal.

If all parking spaces are occupied in front of police station, park in shopping center. DO NOT drive into fenced in area. Meeting Room is through double doors to left in entrance lobby of police station.

From East:

Take Route 6 to Route 384 to Route 84.

On Route 84 take Exit 57(a left exit), Routes 91 South & 5/15 South, STAY IN LEFT LANE on Route 5/15 until Exit 85, Route 99 South (a right exit) comes into view. On Route 99, (Silas Deane Highway), continue to 2nd traffic signal and turn left into driveway between shopping center and police station. Dunkin Doughnuts on near corner at traffic signal.

The station is in a new brick two story building that sets back from the road with parking for maybe 10 cars in front. The address is 200 Silas Deane Highway. The meeting room is beyond the pair of doors to the left in the lobby. There is plenty of parking in the adjacent shopping center. The shopping center extends from the first to the second traffic signal noted below. The telephone number of the police station is 860-571-2900 (for routine calls).

	Il attend the picnic on Saturd bond by September 5, 2005!		
A	Adult @ \$8.00 each	\$	
0	Couple @\$15.00 each	\$	
T	otal Number attending	Total \$	
Please return this form along with a check for the total amount made out to:		Nutmeg Division, NER – NMRA c/o Ken May 71 Buff Cap Road Tolland, CT 06084	
Name: (Print i	neatly)		—
Telephone:		Email:	