

Newsletter of the Nutmeg Division, Northeastern Region, National Model Railroad Association, serving model railroaders in Hartford, Litchfield, Middlesex, New Haven, New London, Tolland and Windham Counties of Connecticut & Hamden and Hampshire Counties of Massachusetts

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TIME: 1P - 4P Brian Whiton's Home Layout Visit 94/96 Spring Street Windsor Locks, CT Berlin Tpk, Wethersfield, CT Buffet-\$25.00 5:00PM Details Inside

DIRECTIONS TO BRIAN WHITON'S NO STREET PARKING, LIMITED DRIVEWAY, PLEASE CARPOOL

From I-91N

Take exit 45,At end of exit,turn LEFT,Go over Ct.River,Canal,RR Tracks,at light turn RIGHT,go to next light,turn LEFT(SPRING ST).Look for red brick house with yellow porch.

From I-91S

Take exit 45.At end of exit, turn RIGHT, Go over Ct River, Canal......Folow directions above.

The Brass Hats



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NUTMEG TRAIN SHOW

The BOD has decided not to sponsor a train show in 2006,but to do a operating Modular Layout show only,No Dealers.

NUTMEG CALENDERS

The division is selling 2006 calenders featuring Nutmeg and Metro North Division members.

Following members are featured: Brian Whiton, Bert Sacco, Bud Sharrow, John Sacerdote, Paul Mangini, Bob Collett, Earl Smallshaw, Al Daley, Dave Peters, John Elwood, John Klotz, Charlie Bettinger.

If you would like to purchase one, please contact Joe Sokol 1-860-872-2240 or e-mail joseph_sokol@msn.com

Price is \$7.00 includes S/H.

2006 at a Glance!

JANUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Home Layout Visit Brian Whiton's

FEBRUARY BOD

MARCH MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Annual Banquet Elaine's Resturant

APRIL BOD

MAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wethersfield Police Station John Sacerdote Clinic

How To Hand Lay Trsck & Switches

JUNE BOD

JULY No Activity Scheduled

AUGUST Picnic at Jack Kreeger's (Date & Time TBA)

SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Wethersfield Police Station Charlie Bettinger Clinic Painting Clouds and Backdrops

OCTOBER BOD

NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

(Site & Activity TBA)

DECEMBER BOD

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	
United Methodist Train Show	
Branford, CT	Saturday, January 14, 2006
Classic Shows, LLC Train and Toy Show	
Wallingford, CT	Sunday, February 12, 2006
8th Annual close Up Train Show	
Milford, CT	Sunday, April 2, 2006
Jonathan Law High School Close Up Train Show	
Milford, CT	Sunday, April 2, 2006
Maine	
Whitefield Lions Club 20th Annual Winter Model Railroad and Miniatures Sho	
Augusta, ME	Saturday, February 11, 2006
Massachusetts	
Old Colony & Fall River Railroad Museum, Inc. Train Show	
Fall River, MA	Sunday, January 15, 2006
Amherst Railway Society's Annual Big Railroad Hobby Show	
West Springfield, MA	Saturday & Sunday, January 28 & 29, 2006
The Great Train Expo	
Fitchburg, MA	Saturday & Sunday, February 18 & 19, 2006
Mystic Valley Railway Society's Rail-A-Rama XXXVIII Train Show	
Foxboro, MA	Sunday, February 26, 2006
Worcester Model Railroaders Show and Sale	
Auburn, MA	Sunday February 26, 2006
South Shore Model Railway Club - Spring 2006 Open House / Show	
Hingham, MA	Saturday & Sunday, March 25 & 26, 2006
The Great Train Expo	
Wilmington, MA	
Metrowest Model Railroad Society's New England 2 Rail & 3 Hi-Rail O Scale To	
Hudson, MA	Sunday, April 2, 2006
Now Homoshino	
New Hampshire	
Connecticut Valley Model Railroad Club Train Show	S 4 1 0 2006
Lebanon, NH.	Sunday, April 9, 2006
Vormant	
Vermont	
Vermont Rails 2006	0
Essex Junction, VT	Saturday, March 11, 2006

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, Dec. 12, 2005

The meeting was held at George Reitze's home. Attending were Joe Sokol, Al Daley, Charlie Bettinger, and George Reitze. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm by Joe Sokol.

Treasurers Report

Ken May reported a balance of \$1224.95, This was an increase over the 12/04 balance.

COMMITTIES AND ACTIVITIES

Web Site

No report

Nutmeg Flyer

A discussion was made on the future of the flyer. We have not yet been successful in using the web site to distribute it to all members with web access. It may be necessary to spread information by postcards.

A date of Dec. 28 was set to have the next issue ready for posting. The last issue has not yet appeared on the web site.

Membership Promotion

Jack Kreeger provided an information table at the November train show.

The membership promotion panels are expected to be displayed at the Amherst Society show in West Springfield on Jan. 28/29, 2006.

Achievement Program

No report

Membership Services

No report

Business cards

No report

Mailing List

The list is being updated as additions and changes are received from National.

REGIONAL BUSINESS

The future regional conventions are:
Spring 2006 Worcester, MA.
Fall 2006 Parsippany, NJ.
Spring 2007 Hartford, CT.
note that the 2006 conventions have been reversed.

NATIONAL BUSINESS

The 2006 National Convention will be in Philadelphia in July.

NMRA representatives plan to promote the 2006 National Convention at the Amherst show in West Springfield, Jan. 28/29 2006.

Al Daley is representing the Division on preparations for the 2009 convention in Hartford.

NEW BUSINESS

Nutmeg Events

The next membership meeting will be a visit to the layout of Brian Whiton in Windsor Locks, 1-4 pm an Jan. 14. Plan on car pooling as parking is limited.

The annual banquet will be held on March 14 at 5pm at Elaine's Restaurant in Wethersfield. A buffet has been suggested.

The annual picnic will be held in August at Jack Kreeger's home

Train Show

A discussion was held on holding a modular layout display in the fall, replacing the train show. Charlie Bettinger will investigate possible locations available at no cost.

Calandars

Calandars prepared by Jack Kreeger and Ken May are now available from Joe Sokol

Membership

Al Daley is contacting new members and welcoming them to participate in Division activities.

Benefit of the Order

No report

The next BOD meeting will be at Al Daley's home at 7:30 pm on Feb. 6.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 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.

Stamford Model Railroad Club, Inc. O scale

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 1_{st} 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

 $\label{location of Club: Round robin at members' houses.} \\ Meets 2_{nd} Wednesday.$

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*.

Hi Folks, Happy New Year!

Remember the letter sent out in early November about volunteering to help at the National Convention in 2009? No? That's OK. It's printed in its entirety below.

Please select the area (or areas) which most interest you and respond to John Sacerdote by Tuesday, January 10, 2006. Please copy Al Daley at alrmdaley@att.net on your response (He has the assignment list).

We look forward to hearing from you.

Al Daley HN2009 Vice Chair

Ladies and Gentlemen:

So many of you have called wanting to volunteer to help with the Hartford 2009 National Convention! I appreciate the fact that you are willing to get started so soon.

Now is the time! Everyone who is interested should contact us as soon as possible. Please respond to this email, with an update on your participation. I have included a list (see below) of the committees that support the HN2009 National Convention. Let us know your area of interest. Don't be bashful; if you have more than one interest, please let us know. jsacerdote@hotmail.com

We hope to work with representatives from all divisions within our region. No one is excluded. We want this to be as successful as possible and will work with anyone who is willing.

Thank you for your patience. I look forward to working with you.

Sincerely, John Sacerdote HN2009 Chair

Committees include:

- Railroad related clinics
- Non-rail clinics
- Tours; Layouts
- Tours; Prototype
- Tours; Non Rail
- Transportation
- Junior College Program
- Convention Program
- Convention Handbook
- Company Store
- Auction
- Operating Layouts (at show)
- SIG Groups
- Registration
- Publicity
- Facility
- Food
- Tour Guides

PHILADELPHIA MEET

The second bi-annual Rail Prototype Modelers Meet, sponsored by the Philadelphia Division, MER, will be held the last weekend in March. There will be over thirty clinicians, many nationally known, who will be presenting, with most clinics repeated, a large display room where attendees may show their models, a vendors room, and on Sunday pm, a home layout tour. For details. go to: www.phillynmra.org and click on RPM, then down load the PDF for detailed information and a registration form. Also, we hope to see many of your members at the National Convention, Independence Junction 2006 this summer in Philadelphia.

Regards,

Dick Foley Division Superintendent, Philadelphia Division

CONNECTICUT-Willimantic-Connecticut Eastern Railroad Museum will sponsor a Model Train and Die Cast show on April 23,2006 at the Windham High School, 355 High Street in Willimantic, CT. Show hours are 10AM - 3PM. Donations: Adults-\$5.00; Seniors (62 yrs+) \$4.00; Children (8-12)\$1.00; Children (Under 8) Free. Handicapped Accessible, Food on site. Info: Joseph Sokol 1-860-872-2240 or e-mail: joseph_ sokol@msn.com

LOST MEMBERS MAILING ADDRESS

The following members have moved and we need new addresses. Can you help?

Scott Darmofalski; Howard Targonsky; Ray Frick; D.Evans; Mark T.Wilson; Steven P. Amato; Ernest T.Erickson; Richard Swenson; Jonathan P.Blum; Norman F. Wilcox; Chris Balaska; Wolf Schuber; Carl Lappe; Fred Wintsch

If you know any of these people's new mailing addresses, please contact me at:

1-860-872-2240 or e-mail: joseph_sokol@msn.com.

