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Superintendent's Report

Our May meeting saw a good turnout and a great clinic on JMRI operation by Mark Underwood. Mark's clinic has already inspired several members to download the program and begin testing it before their next operations. Thanks again Mark for sharing your expertise during a great clinic.

Congratulations to Pete Birdsong, winning for the second month in the Bring and Brag Contest. Pete had a great collection of freight cars. Bill Robins was second and Bob Belt was third. Thanks again for all who participated.

A big thanks goes to Fred Plymale for opening up his home for the tour. Fred has an awesome layout and continues to add detail. It's like I have been told, you are never finished with your layout. That's what makes this hobby so much fun. There is always something to do. Thanks again Fred for tour and Betty for the goodies.

Several members took to the road and traveled north for the "Operation 2013 In Dayton" Mid Central Region Convention. This was my first experience to attend a convention and it was really worth the trip. Members were able to attend clinics that interested them for 3 days. Clinics ranged from how to weather cars to Operation Boot camp. If you had a special interest in this hobby there was probably a clinic for you. Division 10's own Pete Birdsong facilitated one of the clinics on "Scratch Building a Locomotive in Brass." In addition to the array of clinics you could also operate on a very impressive layout courtesy of Division 3. It was

a very large layout that covered two sections of the large banquet rooms. If that wasn't enough to keep your interest, you could visit the white elephant sale or check your tickets for door prizes and tour the contest room and view the models, photos, arts, and crafts on display. Several Division 10 members had entries. Several of our members toured the American Packard Museum in downtown Dayton. The museum is located in an original Packard dealership that has been restored and it retains the dealership's original name, "Citizen Motorcar Company." According to Car Collectors Magazine, the museum is rated as one of the top 10 museums in the US. There was also time to visit other Dayton tourist sites.

On Saturday evening, the awards banquet was held. Tony Koester was the guest speaker. He gave a series of humorous anecdotes on some of the hobby's better known personalities. During the awards, our own Larry Smith won several awards. I lost count at five. Larry will have to bring and brag at our next meeting. Larry also won the Wenderfer Award for his Country Church model. This was a special award in remembrance of Mrs. Wenderfer. Brian Jones won the fan favorite award for his diorama of the hanging. Pete Birdsong also won a Directors award. On the way home, Division 3 and Division 7 opened their homes for self guided tours. Overall, we had great food and a great time. The 2014 National Convention will be in Cleveland before Division 10 hosts the convention in Lexington in 2015. I'm looking forward to it already. — Rick Cobb

June Tour

After our monthly meeting on June 2, members are all invited to **Bruce DeMaeyer's** home at 1120 Kidds Mill Road in Woodford County to take a look at his N scale modern era layout that is under construction.

His benchwork is a joist supported, 1/2" plywood sub-deck overlain with one inch polystyrene dense foam insulation board. The layout is a 12' x 17' perimeter design and prototyped on the UP and BNSF mountain subs of Utah and Montana.

The plan has a full double main line using Kato track, a large ladder yard with a small intermodal facility and a maintenance facility, a 6 layer helix that drops the unit trains down to seven track staging yard that can hold 14 unit trains.

Bruce has plans for several unit trains serving intermodal, coal, ethanol, grain, and potash. He is scratch-building three major industries, a Barley processing plant prototyped from the Budweiser facility in Idaho Falls,

Idaho, a typical petroleum distilling facility and a retail lumber facility modeled from a business in Woodstock, Ill.

The crossover controlled, double main line will feature two double span trestles passing over mountain rivers that will feature a waterfall at each location, a scale 186' foot long snow shed that is prototyped exactly from the BNSF sheds near Glacier Park, and two tunnels also modeled from prototypes in the Glacier Park area.

He will use Digitrax DCC power systems and switch controls all managed by JMRI. He will also be using SurroundTrax sound.

This will be a great opportunity to see this project, now about 40% complete and being readied to show as a finished project for our Annual MCR convention in 2015.

Bruce's home is 15 miles from our meeting place. Go out US 68 to Military Pike, but follow KY 1276 to and take Delaneys Ferry Rd. to a left on KY 169 at Pinckard, to the second road to the right off of 169. That's Kidd's Mill.



For the NMRA MC Region officers link to www.midcentral-region-nmra.org/bod2.html

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 Expenses: Convention \$386.30; Deposits: Contributions \$100.00;
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Many thanks to folks listed in the column below. They have given their support for our club. We encourage all NMRA members to help with financial support to *The Lantern* and our website and the Division 10 activities. **Send your monetary contribution to our Treasurer.**

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Left: One of Pete Birdsong's entries in the May Bring and Brag.



Witless & Clueless

The continuing saga of
Rivets O'Reilly and Larry Loungecar

Written by Mike Armstrong



Rivets: Hey, Larry. What's up?!

Larry: Well, Rivets, I 'm tryin' to figure out what to do with all my magazines. I have magazines everywhere and Bonnie ain't happy.

Rivets: Well, ya know there are some things you can do to help that.

Larry: Like what?

Rivets: Come on, Larry. Ya know, ya can cut out articles and then throw the magazine away. That saves space.

Larry: I can't do that. Tearing articles out of a magazine is like wasting money. I gotta keep the magazine all together.

Rivets: Well, *Model Railroader* put all issues of MR on a disk. Get rid of all yer issues of MR and buy the disc. That will save a lot of space.

Larry: I can't spend the money.

Rivets: Larry, compared to what you spend on model railroad stuff, \$200 is nothin'. Besides, when ya tell Bonnie about all the space you'll save, she'll probably buy it for ya...outta the grocery money.

Larry: Now that idea has merit, Rivets. She could buy that for me and it would be easier to access the magazines on a disc and I would still have my magazines to stay in pristine condition.

Rivets: Larry, you seem to be missing something.

Larry: Bonnie will never know what happened. Besides, I got another idea.

Rivets: Uh-oh. What?

Larry: I just thought of something. I could buy a bunch of magazine racks that swivel and have a room at the house for just my mags.

Rivets: I thought you were tryin' to get rid of magazines!

Larry: Rivets its just too much. It's like sayin' goodbye to an old friend. Do you know how much money I have tied up in those magazines?!

Rivets: Dare I ask?

Larry: I spend about seven hundred bucks a year on those magazines. I have been savin' 'em for about twenty plus years. That's fourteen thousand bucks plus or minus.

Rivets: I'd say unless you do somethin' for Bonnie, it's gonna be plus or minus you're tail end! You need a place to store 'em.

Larry: Well, the attic is full. That's how this all started. The ceiling gave way and about two hundred magazines fell down on top of Bonnie's head.

Rivets: Was she hurt?

Larry: She'll be okay. The plastic surgeon says her nose will be an easy fix.

Rivets: There is only one thing to do, Larry.

Larry: Rivets, say it isn't so!

Rivets: Yep, Larry. It is time for the first model railroader magazine bonfire and weenie roast. Invite your friends to bring all their magazines that are takin' up space. We'll make a memorial service out of it.

Larry: A memorial service?! Well, you can bet on one thing...I'll be the one cryin' and wailin'.

Rivets: Bonnie will be cryin', too, but her's will be tears of joy!



Mark Underwood presented JMRI at the May meeting. Link to www.jmri.org to visit the web-site.

The current **Bring and Brag** standings are: Brian Jones, 82; Pete Birdsong, 47; Rick Cobb, 22; Bill Robbins, 18; Bob Belt, 14; Lou Jaquith, 7; Bob Ferguson, 4; Don Burriss, 4; Dave Batten, 2; Mike Cummins and Bill Paulsell, 1.

B&B Points: 1st place, 15; 2nd place, 7; 3rd place, 3; all other entries, 1. Show category entries will not receive points.

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JUNE 2

BRING AND BRAG

TROLLEY, ELECTRIC TRACTION,
RAILBUS, 1:30 PM

MEETING AGENDA

CONSTRUCTION OF A #4 FAST
TRACK TURNOUT—BOB BELT

TOUR

BRUCE DEMAEYER, 1120
KIDDS MILL RD, WOODFORD
COUNTY (SEE BOTTOM OF PG.1)

AROUND THE BEND

| MON. | DAY | HOST | PLACE | EVENT / PROGRAM | TOURS | BRING & BRAG |
|-------|-------|---------|--|--|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| June | 2 | Div. 10 | Central Christian Church, Watkins Bldg., E. Short Street | Construction of #4 Fast Track Turnouts—Bob Belt | Bruce DeMaeyer | Trolley, electric Traction, Rail Bus |
| Aug. | 4 | Div. 10 | 1125 Linn Rd. near Eubank, Ky. | Grosser's O and 1:8 scale railroads | Grosser's | |
| Sept. | 1 | Div. 10 | Central Christian Church, Watkins Bldg., E. Short Street | | | Diesel or Electric Locomotive |
| Oct. | 6 | Div. 10 | Central Christian Church, Watkins Bldg., E. Short Street | | | Passenger Car |
| Oct. | 19-20 | Div. 7 | Model Train Show | Lakota West High School, 8940 Union Center Ave, West Chester, OH 11 am to 5 pm. | Layouts | |

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