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The Superintendent's Report

By Pete Birdsong

Our February 5th meeting will be a different fare: we'll have a panel discussion on 'Building My Layout' moderated by **Bill Robbins**, participants **Larry Smith (HO)**, **Tom Bensberg (N)** and **Stew Winstandley (Z)**; the tour will be of **Mark Hunt's** HO scale layout currently under construction; should be interesting for anyone who's ever built or contemplated building a layout. Bring and Brag: Your structure for a Diorama or a structure you built.

Also in February is our OPS trip on the 25th to Charleston, and Bob Weinheimer's layout. There's still time to sign up - <http://www.div10-mcr-nmra.org/wv-ops-session.php>

The January meeting exceeded my expectations; each of the three clinics was very well done, informing, interesting and entertaining. Well done to **Bill Paulsell**, **Lou Jaquith** and **Mark Underwood**. Mark agreed to come back for a clinic on JMRI in the near future. It was also fun to tour **Rich Raspenti's** N-scale layout. Our thanks to Rich for hosting it. It was great to have father/son guests Larry & Joel Nelson at the meeting. Thanks for coming, guys - hope you'll join us as members.

Looking further back, the December clinic kicked off several program items addressing scratch building over the next few months, culminating in the March DIORAMA CONTEST. Link to and make your plans accordingly. <http://www.div10-mcr-nmra.org/diorama-contest.php> This new web page has the latest diorama rules, forms, pictures from last year, etc.

Thanks to **Keith Wiseman** at Wiseman Model Services (<http://www.locopainter.com/>) for offering a 25% discount on detail parts for dioramas in the March contest. He stocks HO, S, O scale On3, and G scale parts. Indicate "Diorama" on the order for the discount, or visit the Paris shop at 898 Blacks Cross Road.

The Bring and Brag rules have been updated to clarify the scoring method, and to require the Information Sheet we have been using. Check out the new rules by linking to: <http://www.div10-mcr-nmra.org/resources/Documents/BringnBragRules2011Dec.pdf>

You'll need to follow the B&B rule changes in February.

Congratulations to new member **Rich Mattan**, who visited last month and subsequently joined. Welcome back, Rich. Thanks also to renewing member **Bruce De-Maeyer**, And a gentle reminder to **Thomas Bookout** and **Ron Kercheval** to renew. We don't want to lose you.

I encourage all of you who have not filled out a member profile yet to get that done and sent to **Tom Bensberg** so he can add it to the web site. Since we cannot post the roster without an opt-in, this is our best way to get to know who's who in the division, what layouts/scales/interests they have, etc.

2011- 2012 Bring and Brag Standings

By Total Points from High to Low

<i>Name</i>	<i>Total Points</i>
Stew Winstandley	78.3
Don Burris	58.4
Bill Paulsell	45.1
Pete Birdsong	41.4
Renee Grosser	26.6
Bob Ferguson	26.4
Fred Plymale	24.6
Brian Jones	23.5
Tom Miller	19.7
Rick Cobb	19.5
Tom Krill	19.5
Lou Jaquith	18.4
Larry K Smith	18.0
Randy Coffman	18.0
Dave Batten	17.0



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

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In Recognition...

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To the right of each contributing member's name is the date of his or her latest contribution. Whenever one makes a contribution of money, material or time, his or her date will be updated and for new contributors, their name will be added. Folks who have not made a contribution in one year will be dropped from the list.

Tom Krill	11/11
Lou Jaquith	10/11
Alan Bourne	"
Don Burris	"
Fred Plymale	"
Pete Birdsong	"
Bruce DeMaeyer	9/2011
Raymond Cox	"
Ed Fuller	"
Bill Pausell	"
John Bowling	6/2011
Ray Grosser	4/2011
Bill Robbins	3/2011
Dennis Peevy	"
David Battin	"
Randy Coffman	2/2011
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Orville Boes	"
John Stokes	"

Division 10 Treasurer's Report: Balance Dec. 1, 2011—\$3672.82; Expenses; Lantern (73.53), Dottie Greer Memorial (50.00) = (\$123.53) Deposits; Raffle \$49.00, Mdse. Sale \$18.00 = \$67.00 Balance Dec. 31, 2011—\$3616.29

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Witless & Clueless

The continuing saga of Rivets O'Reilly and Larry Loungecar

Written by Mike Armstrong

Rivets: Hey Larry! Why so glum?

Larry: Because the world is full of dumb people.

Rivets: And you're not one of them?

Larry: Very funny, Rivets.

Rivets: Aw, come on, Larry. How can you be down? You just got one of the top steam engines out there, that SP cab forward, sounds, smoke, DCC. That should keep you happy for a year.

Larry: Not any more.

Rivets: Ya mean ya want somethin' else now?

Larry: Nope.

Rivets: Well, then why so glum? What's the story?

Larry: I was so proud of that cab forward. I took it down to the club to test 'er out and show the guys.

Rivets: Yeah, I remember you weren't goin' to...that week I was outta town.

Larry: I wish you'd been there. Ya might o' saved the day.

Rivets: Uh-oh. What happened?

Larry: Well, that thing had beautiful sounds. It ran well and best of all, she really put out the smoke! It was unbelievable.

Rivets: And?

Larry: Then that idiot Steam Cock Carl comes in and smells the smoke. The whole room was smokey. You shouldda seen the smoke pourin' outta that thing. Wow!

Rivets: So what did Steam Cock do.

Larry: He grabs a bucket, fills it with water and runs around the layout lookin' for the source of smoke. He sees my cab forward movin' along, smokin', and he throws a five gallon bucket of water on it and the layout.

Rivets: Oh, man.

Larry: Then there really was smoke from my engine, he shorted out everything, includin' the layout, and ruined ten to fifteen square feet of our best scenery.

Rivets: What did Steam Cock have to say for himself?

Larry: Well, we asked him why and he said his dad was a fireman and he learned to fight fires from his dad. I told

him there wasn't no fire in the first place. And he said, "Where there's smoke, there's fire."

Rivets: Then what happened?

Larry: Well, the guy who built the scenery got really mad and popped Steam Cock in the nose.

Rivets: Did you get in a few licks?

Larry: No, the rest of the guys grabbed him, carried him outside, threw him in the dumpster, and jammed the handle so it wouldn't open.

Rivets: Then what happened to Steam Cock?

Larry: I don't know. I guess he's still there. It's just a shame.

Rivets: It sure is! All the good stuff happens when I'm not there!

February Panel Member's **LAYOUT SUMMARIES**

Owners Name: **Tom Bensberg**

Scale, Gauge: N, tore down an O gauge layout.

Size: ~16'x12' eventually Era: Modern

Minimum Turnout: #6 Benchwork: L girder

Height: 43" Type Of Train Control: DCC

Started building this layout: October, 2010

Owners Name: **Larry K. Smith**

Scale, Gauge: HO Size: approx 55' by 20'

Locale: Bluegrass area of Kentucky

Era: Modern Style: Continuous running

Mainline Run: Approx. 250 ft.

Minimum Radius: 26" Maximum Grade: 1.5%

Minimum Turnout: #5 Benchwork: L-Girder

Height: 43" Roadbed: Cork on plywood

Track: Atlas Code 83

Scenery: Plaster on cardboard webbing

Backdrop: Hand painted Type Of Train Control: DCC

Started building this layout: 2008

Owners Name: **Stew Winstandley**

Scale, Gauge: Z Size: 4' x 18"

Style: Switchbacks Maximum Grade: 7.5%

Height: Depends on table height

Track: Micro-Trains and Rokuhan track & power routing switches

Scenery: Rural Benchwork: A piece of 1/4" plywood

Type Of Train Control: CTI-electronics computer control system

Started building this layout: 2011

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BRING AND BRAG

STRUCTURE YOU BUILT

NEXT MEETING

PANEL DISCUSSION—LAYOUT
CONSTRUCTION

1:30 PM AUCTION, 2 PM
MEETING, FEB. 5, WATKINS
BLDG, E. SHORT ST @
ESPLANADE, LEXINGTON

TOUR

MARK HUNT

3516 McNairWay, 40513

AROUND THE BEND

MON.	DAY	HOST	PLACE	EVENT / PROGRAM	TOURS	BRING & BRAG
Feb.	5	Div. 10	Watkins Bldg., Central Christian Church	Panel discussion—Building my layout (HO, N & Z scales: see page 3), moderated by Bill Robbins	Mark Hunt	Structure you built
Mar.	4	Div. 10	Watkins Bldg., Central Christian Church	Diorama contest Your favorite tools	No tour	Judging dioramas
Mar.	24	Div. 8	Ramada Plaza, 9700 Blue Grass Pkwy., Louisville	Train Show and Sale 10-3	Layouts	
Apr.	21 (Sat.)	Div. 10	Cincinnati, Ohio	Layout tours	Four Cincy area layouts	None
May	6	Div. 10	Watkins Bldg., Central Christian Church	Auction and Bring and Brag, then trip to Paris	Keith Wiseman 898 Black's Cross Rd, Paris	Something scratchbuilt

Bring your recently constructed diorama to the March 4th meeting. Each entrant may receive up to 100 points towards your Bring and Brag totals. See page 4 of the January 2012 issue of *The Lantern* or our website for more details.

In addition to the March 24th Division 8 train show listed above, Division 7 MCR has a swap meet scheduled for March 17th, 10-4. This meet will be at the Lakota West Freshman Campus, 5050 Tylersville Rd., West Chester, Ohio.