

NMRA LONE STAR REGION Cowcatcher DIVISION 1 Whistle

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Division 1 Meeting

Saturday, September 9,
2017, 10 am - 12 Noon
at the Texas Western
Model Railroad Club
house, 6801 Forest Hill
Drive Forest Hill, TX

**Program: Paints &
Painting Figures with
Airbrush by Brian
Howard**

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Train Show Corner

North Texas Council of Model
Railroad Clubs

3rd Annual Fall
Plano Train Show

Sat. September 30
Sun. October 1,
2017

Sat. 10 am - 5 pm
Sun. 10 am - 4 pm

Plano Centre
2000 E. Spring Creek Pkwy
www.dfwtrainshows.com



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*Directors
Report*



School is back in session and boy have we gotten a jump on our schooling in the past couple of months! Leo and Lorrie Palitti have taught two fantastic clinics and they were enjoyed by many of our members. This month the clinics continue with Brian Howard of HobbyTown USA, in Hurst, teaching us all about painting figures. This clinic is useful to all scales, so be sure to attend.

Attendance continues to improve at our meetings and I'm SO happy that members are enjoying the meetings.

Stay tuned for more details on upcoming programs for the months to come.

Be sure and visit our division website for the latest information you'll want to stay on top of. The website address is: www.cowcatcherdivision.org. Follow the division on Facebook as well. If you haven't done so yet, you've been missing many posts regarding member's activities and division news.

On the topic of BREAKING NEWS, our division has been invited to visit the phenomenal layout of Chuck Ellis in Austin for an operating session. If you're not an operator, come along anyway. Chuck's layout is one of the best in the world and was featured as one of Allen Keller Production's Great American Layouts. We haven't set a date yet, but if you'd like to make the trip for the day, drop me a note and I'll confirm you are on the list with a reply. Space is limited so first come, first served. You'll be glad you did!

We are just about to hit train show season so mark your calendars for the fall Plano show, the O Gauge show in Fort Worth, the Texas Western Show in Fort Worth and The Great Texas Train Show in Lewisville. Dates can be found on the website and in this newsletter.

It may be a little premature, but be sure and mark your calendar for December 9th, 2017 as we'll have our Division 1 Christmas Party! Site to be determined, but we want everyone to attend. I promise you'll have a tremendous evening!! Spouses invited too! I've already started working on a bank of prizes for giveaway that evening that everyone will want to take home.

For those of you who haven't visited in a while, or think that they aren't getting anything from your NMRA membership, I whole heartedly invite you to come to our monthly meetings. As the old saying goes, "What you get out of something is directly proportional to what you put into it." That said, what are you doing to get more from your membership? I procrastinated joining the NMRA for nearly 5 decades, but when I joined I immersed myself into the organization fully. Now you might not be willing to, or be able to do that, however, I ABSOLUTELY promise you that, if you get more involved at ANY level, you will gain dividends beyond your wildest imagination. I sure did!

See you soon!

Mike Mackey

Programs/ Clinics

Cowcatcher Division Program September 9th

Brian Howard, the owner of Hobby Town USA, has been conducting seminars on airbrushing figures in various hobbies for many years. He regularly conducts clinics on this topic nationally and internationally.

He is recognized as a leader in this field and will be conducting a seminar for our September 9th meeting on this topic. He will be share his techniques on the use of primer coats, shading to accent detail, paint mixing and other techniques to achieve maximum realism in figures.

Dick Brannan

Division One Program Director



2018 Lone Star Region Convention

Round Rock, TX

June 13 - 17, 2018

Wingate Round Rock Hotel
And Conference Center

Check back for more details
in future issues of the Whistle

33rd Annual Sn3 Symposium

Thursday, April 5th to
Saturday, April 7th, 2018
Garland, TX

www.2018Sn3Symposium.com

Contests, Clinics, Layouts and
some of your favorite Narrow
Gauge Manufacturers await you
and your friends! Registration
\$45.00 before February 1, 2018
\$55.00 after February 1, 2018.

Symposium Hotel:
Hyatt Place Dallas/Garland/
Richardson

Room rate is \$119.00 plus tax.
Call 888-591-1234
code G-SN3S

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The Achievement Program Flyer

At the conclusion of the last two division meetings Lorrie and I have done a hands on "make and take" clinic. In this clinic we've been working on building an oil storage tank with a pump house along side it (see photo below). When



This is where the paperwork can be a little easier to fill out. EXAMPLE: After you fill out the paperwork for your first kit build, use it to help you write the next kit build and then the

next one until you have write ups for all six structures. Chances are, you used some of the same techniques for every build. Campbell shingles, Alcohol and India Ink washes, weathering powders, gluing walls together, sanding, windows, adding lights (inside and out). You get the idea, cut & paste



when applicable. This saves time! Keep in mind that your scratch-built structures don't have to be huge. Small simple structures will work just fine. Lorrie and I hope to finish up the oil tank and pump house with one and maybe two more work sessions.

complete, your mini diorama will also have some scenery and a working light/electric pole. If you're working on your MMR, this simple structure can be submitted for grading. If this scratchbuilt structure that you're making in the clinic can score a total of 87.5 points or more, you're on your way to an MMR STRUCTURE AP with one structure down.

For Lorrie and myself and our journey in going for our Master Model Railroader Certificates, the Structure AP will be the first one that we'll go after. We already have dozens and dozens of structures to choose from. What we need to do next is to pick six scratch built structures and 6 kit builds.



After we're done with the oil tank and pump house, you'll be finished with us until next year when we build a water tank. The water tanks we will be building may be used to service backwoods trains or you can use them for the roof tops on industrial structures or



apartment buildings. I promise, you will love these little water tanks just as we do. Lorrie and I have 7-8 of these water tanks on our layout and get compliments on them often!



Till next month,
Happy Modeling!

Leo Palitti

Achievement Program Advisor



Howdy folks,

If you haven't had a chance to check out the Division One website, you may be missing some fun and helpful information. The website's URL is <http://www.cowcatcherdivision.org>. If you want to learn more about the Divisions organizational structure, the **About** section (See Figure 1, About) may have the answers for you. It lists the **Mission** statement, **Board of Directors** (names and photos), a **Message from the Director**, a **Division One Map** depicting the counties in the Division, and a map of the **Lone Star Region Division Map**. If there is something else you want to see there, send a note to webmaster@cowcatcherdivision.org.

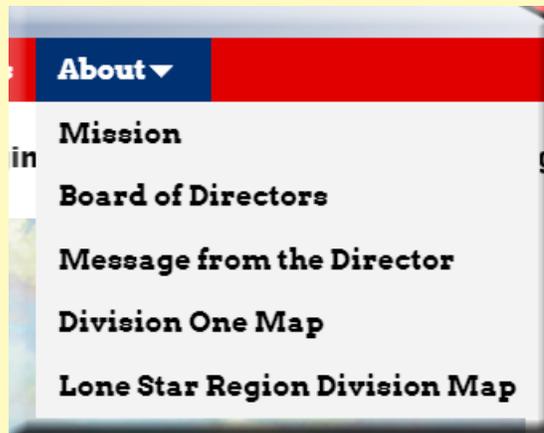


Figure 1, About

Next month, we will explore the [Tips, Tricks, and Resources](#) section of the Forum.

Happy rails,

Mike Corley
Division One Webmaster

Calendar of Events & Trainshows



August

Aug. 30th - Sept. 2nd - 37th National Narrow Gauge Convention; Marriott Denver, Tech Center, Denver, CO; For more info, visit www.37nngc.com

September

2nd - YMR Longhorn Division Meeting, Texas Western Model RR Club, 6808 Forest Hill Dr, Forest Hill, TX 76140, 10 am - 12 pm, John Skiba, Organizer westsidelumberco@gmail.com

7th - Texas Western Model RR Club Business Meeting, Texas Western Model Railroad Club, 6808 Forest Hill Dr, Forest Hill, TX 76140. 7pm - 9 pm <http://twmrc.org/>

9th - NMRA Lone Star Region Cowcatcher Division 1 September Meeting, Texas Western Model RR Club, 6808 Forest Hill Dr, Forest Hill, TX 76140. 10 am - 12 pm,

9th - Lone Star Division/ Train Collectors Association Toy Train & Swap Meet; Collin College Central Park Campus Conference Center, 2400 Community Ave. McKinney, TX Hours: 9 am - 4 pm; More Information, tca-northtexaschapter.org

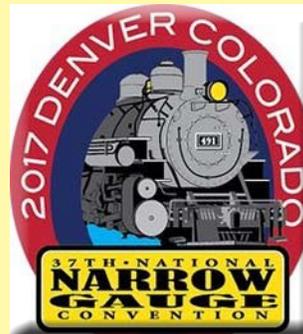
16th - NMRA Lone Star Region Division 3 Meeting Christ the Servant Lutheran Church, 821 S. Greenville Ave, Allen, TX 75002 10 am - 1 pm, <http://www.lonestarregion.-com/node/21>

18th - Cowtown Model RR Club General Meeting, Handley Center, 3024 Forest Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76112. 7 pm - 9 pm <http://cmrrc.webs.com/>

30th - October 1st - North Texas Council of Railroad Clubs, 3rd Annual Fall Plano Train Show, Plano Centre, 2000 E. Spring Creek Pkwy., Plano, TX; Hours Saturday, 10 am - 5 pm, Sunday, 10 am - 4 pm; Admission: \$8. Adults, 12 & Under free w/adult admission, scouts/scout leaders in uniform free; For more info, dfwtrainshow.com

October

14th - NMRA Lone Star Region Cowcatcher Division 1 October Meeting, Texas Western Model RR Club, 6808 Forest Hill Dr, Forest Hill, TX 76140. 10 am - 12 pm,



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2017 Texas Western Train Show

Fort Worth, TX
November 11 - 12,
2017

Sat. Nov. 11th
10 AM - 5 PM

Sun. Nov. 12th
11 AM - 4 PM

Forest Hill Civic Center
6901 Wichita Street
Forest Hill, TX 76140

More info @
twmrc.org

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Missouri Kansas and Texas. The MK&T delivers to the Frisco in the West Yard area A see Figure 3.2 MKT - Frisco Interchange and the Frisco delivers cars to the MK&T in their yard area D located off East Berry Street see Figure 3.3 Frisco- MKT Interchange.

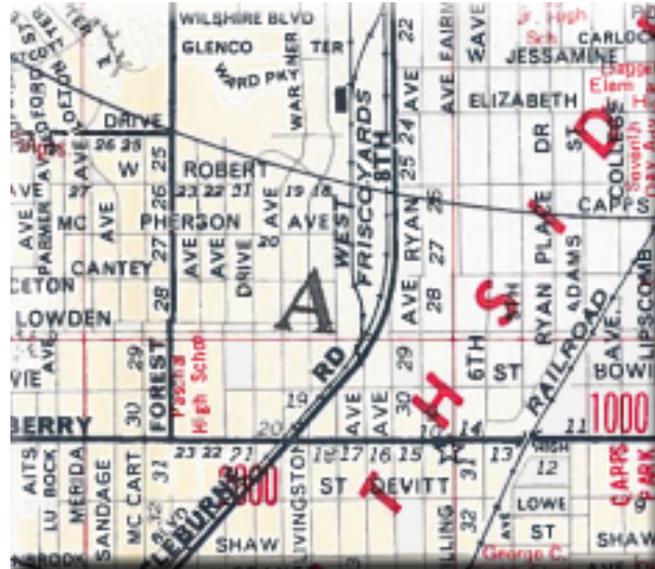


Figure 3.2 MKT - Frisco Interchange

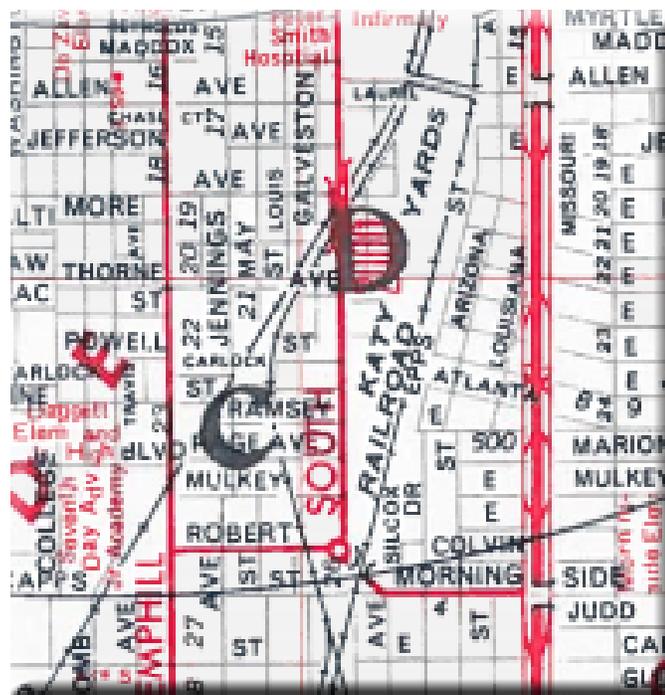


Figure 3.3 Frisco - MKT Interchange

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Texas and New Orleans. Frisco delivery to and receipts from the T&NO are made in the T&NO Yard area C located off East Berry Street see Figure 3.4 T&NO Interchange.

Fort Worth and Denver. Deliveries to and receipts from the FW&D are handled on an interchange track area H located in North Fort Worth see Figure 3.5 FWD Interchange.

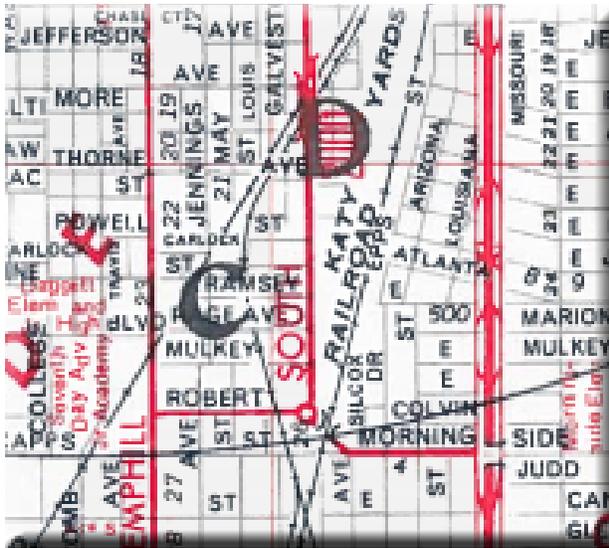


Figure 3.4 T&NO Interchange

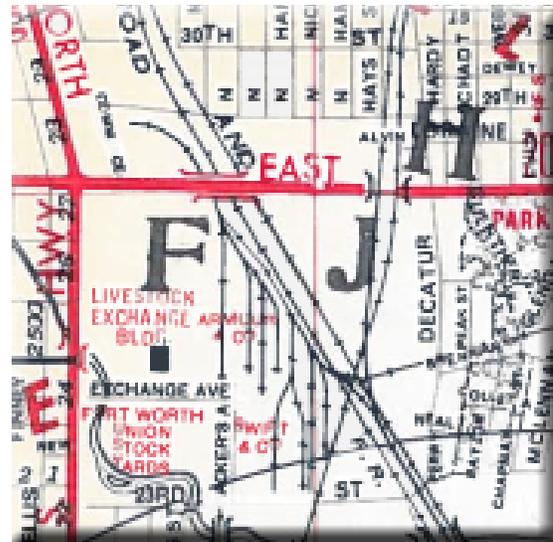


Figure 3.5 FWD Interchange

Saint Louis South Western. Frisco delivery of cars and receipt of cars from the St. L.S.W. are handled on an interchange track E located in North Fort Worth see Figure 3.6 St L.S.W. Interchange.

Chicago Rock Island and Pacific. Deliveries to and receipts from the CRI&P were made in the CRI&P Yard J located in North Fort Worth see Figure 3.7 CRI&P Interchange.



Figure 3.6 St L.S.W. Interchange

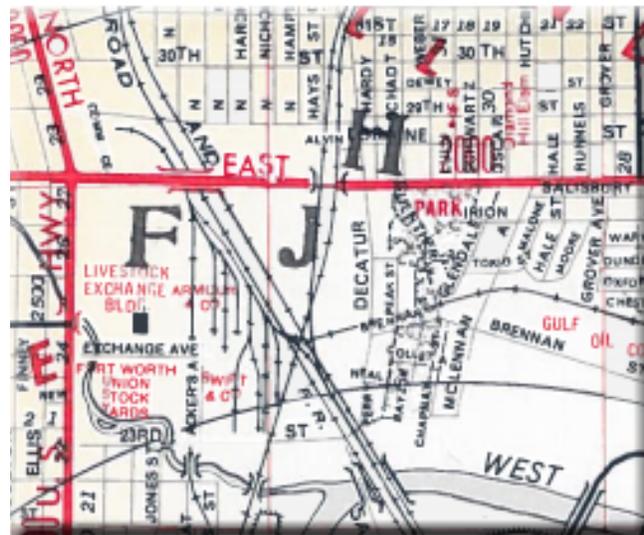


Figure 3.7 CRI&P. Interchange

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Fort Worth Belt. Frisco delivery of cars to and receipt of cars from the Fort Worth Belt are made in the Fort Worth Belt Yard F in North fort Worth see Figure 3.8 FWB Interchange.

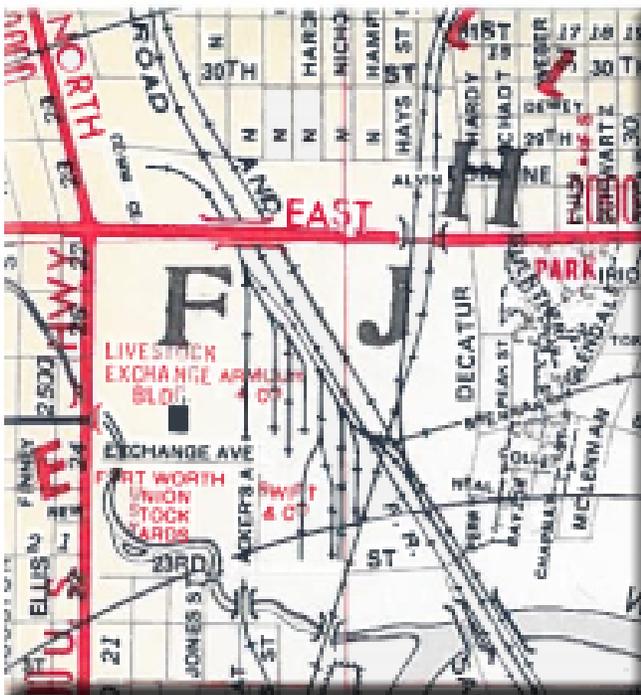


Figure 3.8 FWB Interchange

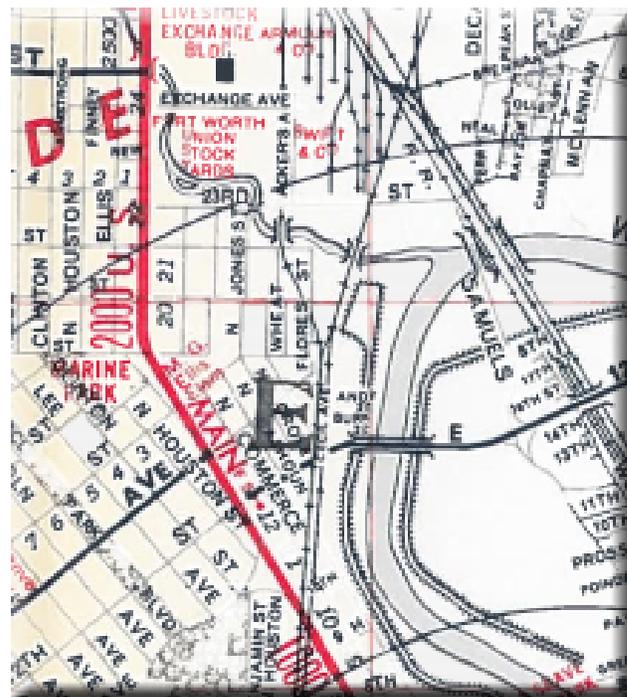


Figure 3.9 GC&SF Interchange

Gulf Colorado and Santa Fe. Deliveries to the GC&SF are made in the GC&SF Yard E located in North Fort Worth. The GC&SF delivers to the Frisco on the House Track at the Frisco's North Fort Worth freight station E see Figure 3.9 GC&SF Interchange.

Legend to Maps Inserts

- A - Frisco Yards (West Yards).
- B - Frisco City Team Tracks and Freight House.
- C - Interchange of cars between Frisco and T&NO Railways.
- O - Frisco delivery of cars to MK&T Ry. and MK&T Yards.
- E - Joint Frisco-Cotton Belt North Fort Worth Yard and interchange cars between Frisco and Cotton Belt and between Frisco and Santa Fe.
- F - Interchange of cars between Frisco and Fort Worth Belt Ry. and Fort Worth Belt Yard.
- H - Interchange of cars between Frisco and FW&D Railways.
- J - Interchange of cars between Frisco and CRI&P Railways.
- K - CRI&P Yard

Well folks, that is about it for this edition. Next month will be about Industries, until then, happy rails!

Mike Corley

Area Model Railroad Club Directory & News

* Cowtown Model Railroad Club

Meets at *The Handley Community Center* Upstairs,
3024 Forest Avenue, Fort Worth. Website:
<http://cmrrc.webs.com/>



* CLMRR

The layout is located at 3904 Vista Ridge Lane, Alvarado, TX 76009.
It is located off Texas Hwy 917 near Mansfield, TX. Contact President
Lee Martin for more information. 817-666-5367.

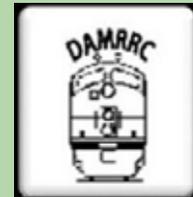
* Dallas/Fort Worth O Scale Club

Normally meets two Saturdays per month in Richardson. Contact: Brady
McGuire, Tel: 903-868-2726, Email: bradyprrm1a@cableone.net or con-
tact: Stan Schwartz Email: ss124@sbcglobal.net for dates and times. 1/48
12X41 lt/wt modular, 2-3 shows/year

* Denton Area Model Railroad Club

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7 PM in the Denton Senior
Center downtown. HO and N scale modular layouts. Facebook page
and website:

<https://www.facebook.com/damrrc>/<http://www.trainweb.org/damrrc?>



* North Texas Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society

Meets 7:30-10:00 PM, first Tuesday of each month, often (but not always) at the
Grapevine Tourist & Visitor Information Center at Main Street and the FWWR rail-
road tracks. Website: <http://ntxnrhs.org>

* Texas Western Model Railroad Club

Meets every Thursday and Saturday from 4:00 pm-?
Located at 6808 Forest Hill Dr. in Forest Hill, Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/texaswesternmodelrailroadclub/>
Webpage: <http://www.twmrc.org>.



* Trinity N-Trak

Meets at Hobby World, Fort Worth at 6:30 PM
Check website for time.
Website: <http://www.trinityntrak.com>



Area Hobby Shops

Division 1 Sponsors

Discount Model Trains

4641 Ratliff Lane
Addison, TX 75001

Hobbytown USA

746 Grapevine Hwy
Hurst, TX 76054
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Angelo Hobbies

5600 Rufe Snow Dr. #106
North Richland Hills, TX 76180

Hobbytown USA

4634 S. Cooper St. #182
Arlington, TX 76017

Hobby World

5658 Westcreek Dr. Ste. #500
Fort Worth, TX 76133

M-A-L Hobby

108 South Lee
Irving, TX 75060

Model Train Crossing

1113 W. Pipeline Road
Hurst, TX 76053

Hobbytown USA

500 E. Round Grove Rd
Lewisville, TX 75067

Hobbytown USA

677 Sherry Ln
Fort Worth, TX 76114

Wild Bill's Hobby Shop

535 E. Shady Grove Rd
Irving, TX 75060