

# NMRA LONE STAR REGION Cowcatcher DIVISION 1 Whistle

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## Division 1 Meeting

Saturday, October 14,  
2017, 10 am - 12 Noon  
at the Texas Western  
Model Railroad Club  
house, 6801 Forest Hill  
Drive Forest Hill, TX

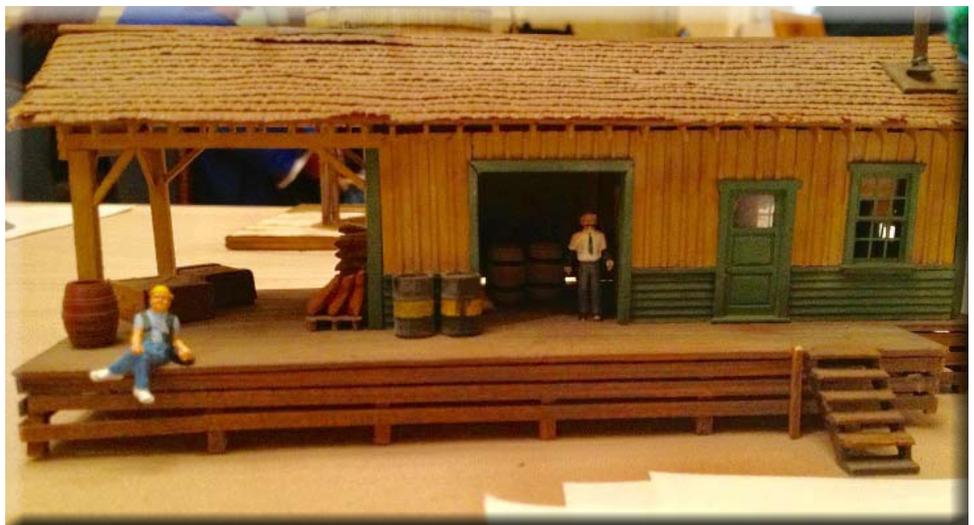
**Program:** Model Rail-  
roading 101 by Mike  
Mackey

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[www.cowcatcherdivision.org](http://www.cowcatcherdivision.org)



## The October Meeting Program

Come to the October Division 1 meeting. Mike Mackey will share his years of modeling experience with the group with a program.

Mike will take us back to the basics talking about how to be learned by doing and eventually earned his MMR.



Read more about the program on page 3.

- Editor



( These three photo's show some of Mike Mackey's modeling. )



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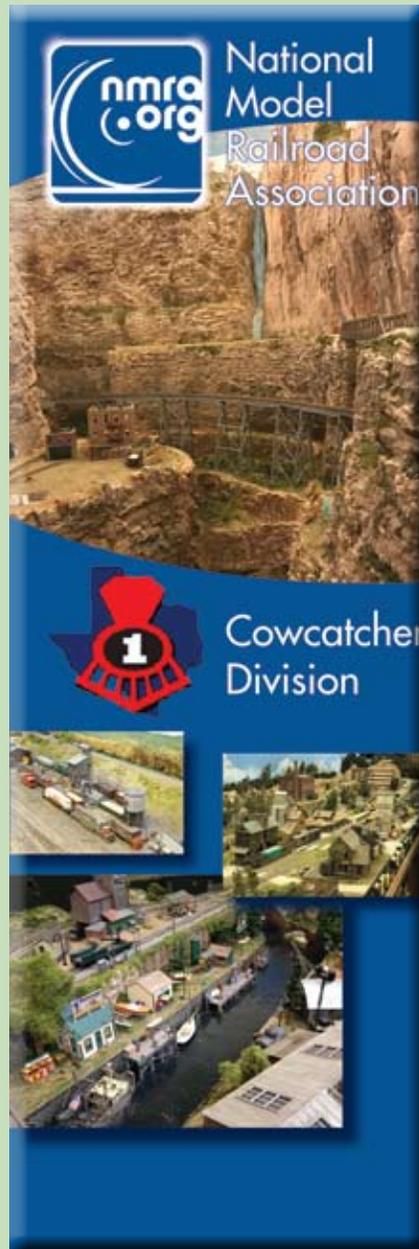
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*Directors  
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**D**ivision 1 is on a roll!!!!. Another great meeting in September with lots of information, tips, prizes and achievement program judging. October gets even better. Don't miss our next meeting on October 14th. You can't win the prizes if you don't attend. Ask our past winners.

Please keep an eye out for our international hurricane relief effort. Our division is spearheading the entire NMRA effort to help fellow members who have suffered a loss from any hurricane this season. Nothing like this has ever been attempted before, so show your support. Watch your email, the NMRA E-Bulletin and all communication from the NMRA for more information.

I want to extend my thanks for all of the help by our Division 1 members for the work that they have done for the preparation for the new NMRA booth for upcoming train shows. The new look and feel of our booth is sure to be noticed and attract attention, and hopefully many new members. This is something that we've needed for a while and now we have our own materials for a superior booth for membership drives. Make plans to visit the booth when you attend the Texas Western Train Show On November 11th.

And speaking of November 11th, we voted at the September meeting to NOT hold a meeting in November due to the fact that our meeting location will be a part of the Train Show that day and many of our members will be assisting with the booth. That said, our next meeting, after October, will be our Christmas party on December 9th. More info on that to come, but trust me, you won't want to miss it. We are planning a great time and we want everyone to attend and bring their significant others for a wonderful night of fellowship and fun!

**( Above: Here is what the banner will look like for the new NMRA booth to be set up at area train shows. )**

Here's a link to the NMRA recruiting video as well that we will be showing in the booth. The link is: <https://www.nmra.org/members/promotional-materials>  
That's it for now and "Keep Training",

*Mike Mackey*

Division One Director

## Programs/ Clinics

### Cowcatcher Division 1 Program October 14th

This month's program will be Model Railroading 101 conducted by Mike Mackey. Mike is currently President of the Cowcatcher Division and is active in the Texas Western Model Railroad Club. He has his MMR (Master Model Railroader) and has been involved in the hobby most of his life.



Initially the program will discuss scales and their respective advantages and disadvantages. It will then move into the fundamentals of layout planning, scenery, and discuss types of locomotives and rolling stock. Followed by more advance techniques such as weathering.

This will be a comprehensive overview for experienced modelers as well as those just starting in the hobby.

*Dick Brannan*

Division One Program Director

### 2018 Lone Star Region Convention

The Austin Eagle  
June 13 - 17, 2018  
[www.austineagle.org](http://www.austineagle.org)

Wingate by Wyndham  
Round Rock Hotel  
And Conference Center  
1209 North Interstate Hwy 35,  
Round Rock, TX  
(512)-341-7000

Use reservation code: **CGLRMR**  
That will get you the \$90/night rate

### 33rd Annual Sn3 Symposium

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

[www.2018Sn3Symposium.com](http://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

Sponsored by the Lone Star Region-NMRA

## Car Recognition Contest

Beginning with the Sept. meeting members will have an opportunity to test their skills at car recognition. They will have the opportunity to compete for an ATLAS HO Wood Reefer with ice hatches and doors that open.



The first contest consisted of a switcher, tank car, box car, flat car and a Pullman troop sleeper.



Date: January 7, 1947

Question: Could you have found this switcher and the four military cars on a siding in Texas at that date?

The car numbers are correct based on their type.

### CAR RECOGNITION CONTEST RULES

SITUATION: On the table you will find a number of cars that we will assume are on a siding. It is your

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job to determine if the consist is correct or if one or more of the cars could not have been there based on the date specified.

PROCEDURES: If the consist is correct you will write your name on your coupon and put it in the container marked correct. If there are one or more incorrect cars, write your name on your coupon, list the incorrect cars and put it in the container marked incorrect.

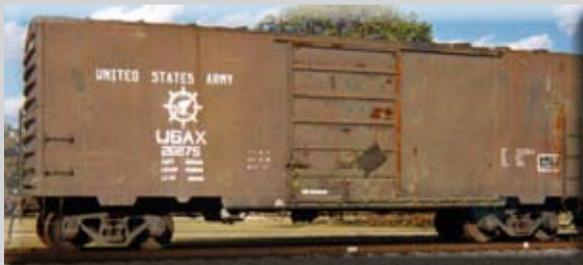
You will receive 4 points if the consist is correct and you put your coupon in the container marked correct. However you will lose 2 points if there are no incorrect cars.

You will receive 2 points for each incorrect car that you listed on your coupon and put in the container marked incorrect. However you will lose 2 points for each correct car you listed or an incorrect car you failed to list.

The individual scores will be posted at the end of the meeting and listed in the next Whistle. It is possible to have a negative score on one contest but there will be a total of three contests and the combined score of each contest will determine the overall winner of the Wood Reefer.

RESULTS:

- X SW-8 was not built till 1958.
- X Car tested date 1959.
- CORRECT USAX box cars were used at that time.
- X DDOX markings were not used till mid 50s.
- CORRECT Troop sleepers were not sold to investors until the mid 50s.



SCORES: 9/8/17

DAVID GREIN	6	MIKE CATE	-2
BILL HUEBNER	2	TERRY M	-2
DON WINN	2	M ROSS	-2
JOHN GARFIELD	0	JAY WATERS	-2
37	-2	DENNIS WRIGHT	-2

Ken Kaiser

Division One Treasurer

# Calendar of Events & Trainshows



## October

**Sept.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, dfwtrainshows.com

**5th** - 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/>

**7th** - 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](mailto:westsidelumberco@gmail.com)

**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,

**16th** - Cowtown Model RR Club General Meeting, Handley Center, 3024 Forest Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76112. 7 pm - 9 pm <http://cmrrc.webs.com/>

**20th & 21st** - Southwest O Scale Meet; Fort Worth Academy, 7301 Dutch Branch Road, Fort Worth, TX; 76132 Hours: Fri. 6pm - 10 pm, Sat. 9 am - 3:30 pm, Clinics & layout tours. [www.oscalesw.com](http://www.oscalesw.com)

**21st** - 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>

## November

**2nd** - 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/>

**4th** - 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](mailto:westsidelumberco@gmail.com)

**11th & 12th** Texas Western Train Show, Forest Hill Civic Center, 6901 Wichita St. Forest Hill, TX 76140 Hours: Sat. 10 am - 5 pm Sun. 11 am - 4 pm; Admission: \$7. Adults, Kids 12 & Under Free with a paid Adult. [www.twmrc.org](http://www.twmrc.org)

**20th** - Cowtown Model RR Club General Meeting, Handley Center, 3024 Forest Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76112. 7 pm - 9 pm <http://cmrrc.webs.com/>



North Texas Council of Model RR 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](http://www.dfwtrainshows.com)

## 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](http://twmrc.org)



## Frisco in Fort Worth

### Part IV

This article is the fourth in a descriptive series about the Saint Louis and San Francisco Railroad, nicknamed the **Frisco**, with reporting marks of **SLSF**. The **Frisco** was one of seven railroads that serviced Fort Worth. Those railroads were T&P, GC&SF, MKT (Katy), CRI&P (Rock Island), FW&D, and SSW (Cotton Belt) and are included in this series articles where they present context within the Fort Worth Terminal area.

The purpose of this series of articles is to describe **Frisco** activities in Fort Worth in the late 1950's and early 1960's. The series will include articles about **Frisco** freight operations including switching boundaries, customers, interchanges, freight forwarding, industrial districts, yards, team tracks, warehouses, grain elevators, freight house, etc.

This month's article is all about lists, including lists of Fort Worth warehouses, grain elevators, and industries served by all the railroads including the Frisco.

### Warehouses

Name	Type	Served by
U.S. Cold Storage Co.	Cold	GC&SF
Merchants Cold Storage Co.	Cold	T&P
Texas Ice Co.	Cold	GC&SF
Market Produce Co.	Cold	No Rail Siding
Binyon-O'Keefe Storage Co.	Dry	T&P
Big State Bonded Warehouse	Dry	StLSW
Ft. Worth Warehouse & Storage	Dry	MKT & T&P
O.K. Warehouse & Storage Co.	Dry	MKT
Central Forwarding	Dry	<b>Frisco</b>
Johnson Storage Co.	Dry	<b>Frisco</b>
Riverside Warehouses, Inc.	Dry	CRI&P

All warehouses listed are open to reciprocal switching.

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### Grain Elevators

Name	Capacity	Served By
Frank Bailey Grain Co.	450,000 Bu	Ft. Worth Belt
Bewley Mills	850,000 Bu	T&P
Burrus Mill & Elevator Co.	8,500,000 Bu	CC&SF
Cargill, Inc.	2,400,000 Bu	CRI&P
C-G-F Grain Co.	28,500,000 Bu	FW&D
Continental Grain Co.	800,000 Bu	<b>Frisco</b>
General Mills, Inc.	102000 Bu	FW&D
Interstate Grain Co.	3,250,000 Bu	FW&D
Kimbell Elevator	6,000,000 Bu	MKT
Kimbell Sheller	80, 000 Bu	MKT
Producers Grain Co.	4,000,000 Bu	T&NO
Ralston Purina Mill	500,000 Bu	CRI&P
Richland Warehouse Corp.	1,000,000 Bu	CRI&P
Saginaw Feed Mill	150,000 Bu	CRI&P-GC&SF
Scott Brothers Grain Co.	25,000 Bu	MKT
Scott Brothers Grain Co.	50,000 Bu	Ft. Worth Belt
Temple Grain & Hay Co.	30,000 Bu	FW&D
Terminal Grain Co.	200,000 Bu	CRI&P
Uhlmann Elevators Co. of Texas	100,000 Bu	GC&SF
Uhlmann Elevators Co. of Texas	1,500,000 Bu	CRI&P
Heard Elevators (Uhlmann operated)	5,000,000 Bu	GC&SF-FW&D
Riverside Elevators (Uhlmann operated)	700,000 Bu	CRI&P
Uhlmann Elevators Co. of Texas	3,500,000 Bu	MKT
Universal Mills	1,250,000 Bu	CRI&P

The total grain storage capacity is 69,565,000 bushels, all elevators are open to reciprocal switching. Fort Worth is the largest grain storage center in the southwest.

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<b>Name of Industry</b>	<b>Type of Business</b>
Agee Screen Co	Screen Doors
Agee Venetian Blind Co	Venetian Blinds
American Iron & Metal Co.	Scrap Iron
American Manufacturing Co. of Ft Worth	Machine Shop
American Paper Stock Co	Scrap Paper, Rags
American Products Co.	Food Products
Amsco Steel Co	Steel
Bain Peanut Co.	Peanuts
Bairds, Mrs, Bakery	Bakery Goods
Bean Lumber Co	Lumber
Beals, Plumbing & Supply Co	Plumbing Supplies
Binswanger & Co. of Texas	Storage and Transfer
Borders, John E, Distg. Co.	Beer Distributors
Boro Door - SW Hardboard Fab	Doors
Bracken & Co	Insulation Distributors
Browder Oil Co.	Petroleum Products
Brown Express	Motor Freight
Cameron, Wm., & Co.	Retail Building Material
Carpenter Paper Co.	Paper Distributor
Castleberry Lumber Co.	Lumber and Building Material
Central Forwarding, Inc.	Warehouse
Chickasaw Lumber Co.	Lumber and Building Material
Cities Service Oil Co.	Petroleum Products
City Incinerator & Asphalt Plant	Incinerator
City Water Works	Water
Clampitt Paper Co.	Paper Distributor
Container Corp. of America	Paper Products
Container Corp Co America Warehouse	Storage Paper
Continental Grain Co.	Grain
Cook Paint & Varnish Co.	Paint and Varnish
Corona Plumbing Supply Co.	Plumbing Supplies
Craddock Warehouse & Storage Co.	Warehouse
Dealers Builders Materials	Building Materials
Economy Supply Co	Plumbing Supplies
Everybody's Inc Warehouse	Warehouse
Ewell Fuel Co	Coal
Fessco Co	Sand Blasting Contractors
Ft Worth Dairy Products	Dairy Products
Ft Worth Sash & Door Co	Sash & Doors

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Name of Industry	Type of Business
Ft. Worth Steel & Machinery Co.	Steel & Machinery
Fulton Supply Co.	Distributors, Dairy Supplies
Gachman Metals Co.	Iron and Steel Products Scrap
General Fuel Co.	Petroleum Products
General Motors	Electromotive Division
General Printing Ink Co.	Ink
Graybar Electric Co.	Home Appliances
Harris Brick Co.	Brick
Hawk & Buck Co.	Wearing Apparel
Hoerner Boxes of Fort Worth, Inc.	Paper Boxes
Humble Oil Co.	Petroleum & Products
Industrial Concrete & Supply Co.	Concrete Product
Jahns Supply Co.	Building Material
Jefferies & Betts	Lumber
Johnson Storage & Distributing Co.	Warehouse
Johns Manville Products Corp.	Unknown
Jones-Moncrief Co.	Lumber, Building Material
Justine H.A., & Sons	Boots, Shoes
Levitan, Geo, Trading Co.	Plumbing Supplies, Scrap Metal
Lydick Roofing Co.	Roofing
McKesson Robbins, Inc.	Drugs
Milwaukee Bottling Co.	Beer, Soft Drinks
Montgomery Ward & Co.	Mail Order and Department Store
Morrison Products, Inc.	Air Condition Equipment
Mosites Co.	Unknown
National Biscuit Co.	Bakery Goods
Packaging Incorporated	Mfr. Paper Boxes
Panburn Co.	Unknown
Paulsell Lumber Co.	Lumber
Pearl Distributing Co.	Beer Distributors
Polyalefin Compounding Corp.	Plastics
Priester Supply Co.	Electrical Supplies
Quarles. John E. Lumber Co.	Lumber & Building Material
S & S Produce Co.	Potato Chip Mfgs.
Scott Bros.	Grain, Hay, Coal
Serv-A-Well	Chemical Distributing
Service Plumbing Supply Co.	Plumbing Supplies
Southern Johns Manville & Produce Corp.	Unknown

*Mike Corley*

( The remainder of this article will be continued in November Whistle )

## 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.

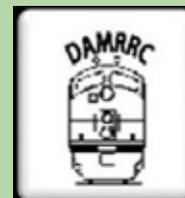
### \* Dallas/Fort Worth O Scale Club

Normally meets two Saturdays per month in Richardson. Contact: Brady  
McGuire, Tel: 903-868-2726, Email: bradyprrm1a@cableone.net or contact:  
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

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### Division 1 Sponsors

#### Discount Model Trains

4641 Ratliff Lane  
Addison, TX 75001

#### Hobbytown USA

746 Grapevine Hwy  
Hurst, TX 76054  
( Division 1 Members Receive A 10% Discount )

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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