

Cowcatcher Division

Division One of the Lone Star NMRA Region



Division 1 Whistle

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Division 1 ZOOM Meeting, Saturday, September 12th, 2020. From the comfort of your home.

Program: How to Make Styrene Look Like Wood By Bob Brendle.

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September 2020 Division 1 Meeting - We Will "ZOOM" into your Homes.

To attend the Zoom meeting you will need to install the free Zoom app on your platform (PC, Mac, iPhone, Android, iPad, Tablet). We will send more meeting information the week of the meeting via our



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Director's Report

Can you believe it? September already! 2020 is flying by and I for one can't wait to see this son of a gun in the distance behind us!! You can bet, come New Year's Eve, I'll be gladly ushering in a "new" year just to see this one leave.



If you missed our August meeting online, you missed a great presentation by Erik Lewis on railroad signals. The effort that Erik put in prior to the presentation was definitely apparent. A big thanks goes out to Erik for a job well done.

Speaking of our online meetings, I know that several of you haven't been joining us online. I would like to really urge you to join us because the meetings are lively, fun, and very interesting. Don't feel intimidated by the technology side of it. It's VERY easy to get things setup on your end for the meeting. Just go to Zoom.com and download their free software. Once you download and run the one click install, simply click on the link that you receive a couple of days prior to the meeting when the meeting starts. It's truly that simple. We've had members from literally around the world joining us so don't miss out!

September's meeting promises to be loaded with great information. In addition to the usual agenda items, we've got Bob Brendle presenting a clinic on "How to make Styrene look like Wood." Regardless of whether or not you've seen his clinic before, this is a clinic you'll not want to miss. Personally, I've been looking forward to seeing this demonstration ever since he agreed to do it last fall.

We also have Whit Fancher from Loco-Motive-Hobbies of Birmingham, Alabama joining us to talk about his model railroad business which sells Funaro and Camerlengo cast cars and detail parts. He is the largest dealer of F & C products in the world.

The meeting is on September 12th at 10am. See you there!

Until next month, stay safe, stay healthy and...

Keep training!

Mike Mackey

Director, Cowcatcher Division 1

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Programs / Clinics

Cowcatcher Division 1 Zoom Program for Sept. 12, 2020

Program Overview

Making Styrene Look Like Wood

With Bob Brendle

Join us on the September 12th Zoom Meeting with an amazing clinic by Bob Brendle. Bob first became interested in model railroading with an O-scale layout that his father had built, and by the young age of 16, won his first blue ribbon at the LSR Convention for a complete Maintenance of Way Train. This encouraged him to continue modeling and after graduating from college, began modeling in HO scale and ultimately in HOn3. Bob has had several articles published in Railroad Model Craftsman and Narrow Gauge Annual magazines as well as many trade publications in his professional career in architecture. Bob has presented several clinics at annual LSR and National Narrow Gauge Conventions. Bob models the *Westcliff & Alton Railway Company*.

At the September meeting, Bob will share his evolution of easy techniques that he has discovered over the years in how to make styrene look like textured, aged and weathered wood, which can be applied to structures, rolling stock and anything that would be made from wood. For a sneak preview of the clinic, visit www.hon3annual.com/turning-styrene-into-wood

Joe Leising

Cowcatcher Division 1 Program Manager



The Tulsa Union Convention

2021 Midcontinent &
Lone Star Region NMRA

June 17-20, 2021
Embassy Suites
3332 S. 79th East Ave.
Tulsa, OK 74145

King Room-\$106.00/
Double Room-\$111.00

The 2021 Tulsa Union
Con is the joint production of
the Mid-Continent and Lone
Star Regions, NMRA.

***Operating Sessions,
*Layout tours, *clinics,
*contest room and**

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From the Editor's WorkBench

By Chris Galvin



he Texas Western Track Gang

Back in February of 2020, TWMRC newly elected President David Crumpton created a program at our H.O. Scale model railroad club to get all of our members involved in building our layout and our railroad reference library.

I happen to chair the Scenery Gang. Starting in August I put together my scenery team of Steve Parrish, Terry Morris & Myself. We began with a airbrush clinic and the painting of the track rails and ties on several area's of the upper level of our track. I have experience with airbrushing from my retail caricature business and I was able to show the fella's a few of the tips and tricks of the trade and then put them to work on the layout.

Next up, we will bringing on another members Jim Archer and David Crumpton, to help us with ballasting and static grass application. Our goal is to get the Tower 55 area complete with scenery by the end of the year. Our club is modeling the May of 1962 era.

Chris Galvin

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Treasurer's Report

Currently Cowcatcher Division has \$3003.08 in our checking account. The balance doesn't reflect the \$1640 spent on obtaining the Convention which will, of course be reimbursed from National.

Dick Brannan

Cowcatcher Division 1 Treasurer



Now's the Time!

There's NEVER been a better time, to take the time, to fill out your paperwork for the certificates you have earned in the NMRA Achievement Program! You've done the work, so receive the certificate.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact your division director, Mike Mackey, MMR at director@cowcatcherdivision.org

or your regional AP chairman, Duane Richardson, MMR at pinecreekstation@verizon.net.

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Calendar of Events & Train Shows



September 2020

3rd – Texas Western Model RR Club Business Meeting for Members and Prospective Members Only, 7 pm – 9 pm @ 6808 Forest Hill Dr, Forest Hill, TX 76140, Masks are required, Thursday
www.twmrc.org

5th – Youth In Model Railroading Meeting will not meet in September 10AM, @TWMRC. * The group is actively looking for a new director to carry on this group, if interested please contact John Skiba:
westsidelumberco@gmail.com

12th – NMRA Lone Star Region Cowcatcher Division 1 Meeting, Virtual Zoom Meeting. 10 am – 1pm, Program: Bob Brendle Saturday
www.cowcatcherdivision.org

19th – NMRA Lone Star Region Division 3 Meeting, Virtual Meetings Continue 10 am – 1 pm, Saturday
www.trinityriverdivision.org

21st – Cowtown Model RR Club General Meeting, Handley Center, 3024 Forest Avenue, Ft Worth, TX 76112, 7 pm – 9 pm, Monday
<http://cmrrc.webs.com/>

October 2020

10th – NMRA Lone Star Region Cowcatcher Division 1 Virtual ZOOM Meeting, 10 am – 1 pm, Saturday, Program:
www.cowcatcherdivision.org

Austin Area Train Show

CANCELLED

~~Sep. 5 – 6, 2020~~

~~Sat. 10 A – 5 P
Sun. 10 A – 3 P~~

~~\$7.~~

~~austintrainshow.org~~

38th Temple Train Show

Sept. 19-20th, 2020

Sat. 10A - 5P
Sun. 10A - 4P

\$7.

Frank W. Mayborn
Civic & Convention
3303 N. 3rd St.
(Exit 303 from I-35)

centramodrr.com

6th Annual Fall Train Show

Oct. 3, 2020

**FALL TRAIN
SHOW
CANCELLED**

Plano Centre
2000 E. Spring
Creek Pkwy
Plano, 75074

dfwtrainsshows.com



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TWMRC GARAGE SALE

Saturday, November 7th, 2020

9 am - 4 pm

6808 Forest Hill Dr, Forest Hill, TX 76140

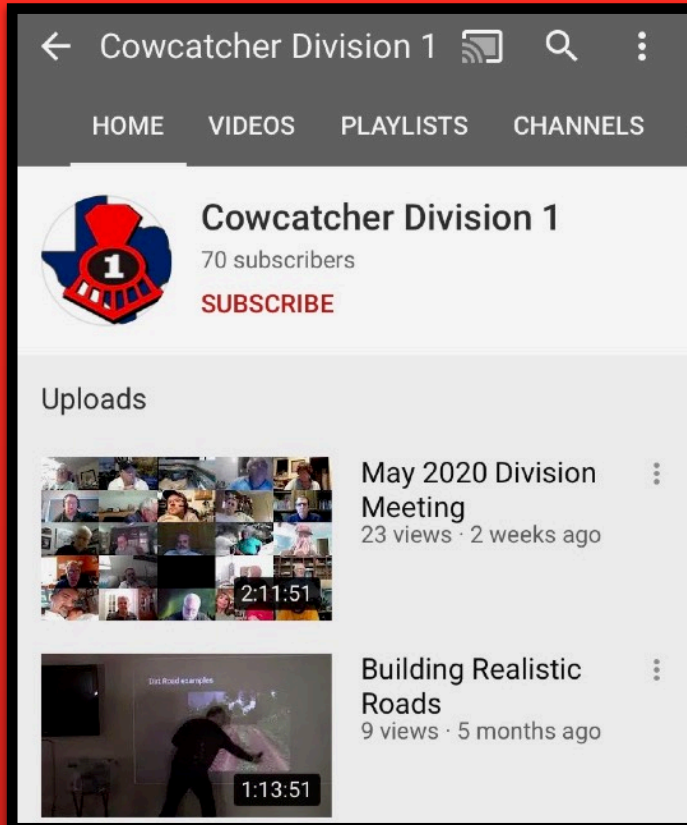
Free Parking Free Admission

Lots of model trains in all scales, train magazines, books, to SELL !!!



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The Division needs YOU to Subscribe and Follow the **Cowcatcher Division 1** YouTube Channel. It's Full of clinic's from our NMRA Division 1 Monthly Meetings including our recent ZOOM meets, as well as past clinics from our Depot Build to Scenery Made Easy Tips and Tricks.

If you would Please take a minute to do the following:

1. Click this Link
www.cowcatcherdivision.org
2. Click on our YouTube channel link on the navigation bar.
3. Click the Subscribe Button on the channel.

It's that Easy!!

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COVID
CORONAVIRUS
DISEASE
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SYMPTOMS OF CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019

Patients with COVID-19 have experienced mild to severe respiratory illness.

Symptoms* can include

FEVER



COUGH



*Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure.

Seek medical advice if you develop symptoms, and have been in close contact with a person known to have COVID-19 or if you live in or have recently been in an area with ongoing spread of COVID-19.

SHORTNESS OF BREATH



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For more information: www.cdc.gov/COVID19-symptoms

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From the Editor

PHOTO'S FROM Former **MKT Freight House** in Ft. Worth. There's been some construction happening there in the last month or so. Not sure what just yet.



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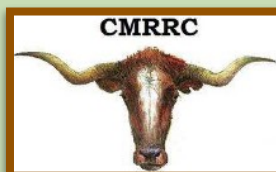
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Area Model Railroad Clubs/News

Cowtown Model Railroad Club

Meets at the *Handley Community Center*, Upstairs
3024 Forest Avenue, Ft Worth. Website:
<https://cmrrc.webs.com>



CLMRR

Meets Tuesdays, Thursdays & Saturdays. The layout is located at
3904 Vista Ridge Ln, Alvarado, TX 76009 For information please
contact Lee Martin at **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: bradyprmr1a@cablone.net or
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 & N Scale modular layouts. Facebook Page
and Website: <https://www.facebook.com/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 & Visitors Information Center at Main St. and the FWWR railroad
tracks. Website: <https://ntxnrhs.org>

Texas Western Model Railroad Club

Meets every Thursday & Saturday from 4 pm - 9 pm, Located at 6808 Forest
Hill, 76140. Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/texaswesternmodelrailroadclub/>
Website: <https://www.twmrc.org>



Trinity N-Trak

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



TNMRC

Meets at 11999 Plano Rd, Suite 154, Dallas, 75243 Check our website
for times. Website: <https://www.texasnorthern.org>



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Area Hobby Shops

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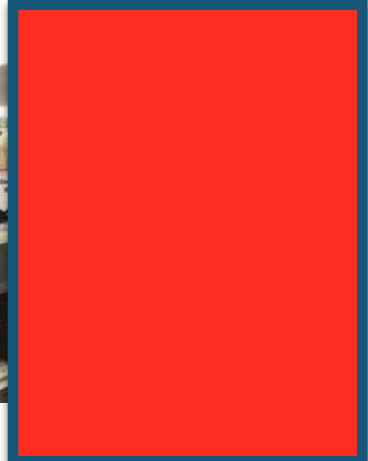
Discount Model Trains

4641 Ratliff Lane

Addison, TX 75001

972-931-8135

Hours: M-Sat. 10 AM - 6 PM



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Hurst, TX 76054

Hobby World
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Fort Worth, TX 76133

Model Train Crossing
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Hurst, TX 76053

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Lewisville, TX 75067

Wild Bill's Hobbytown USA
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Effective March 31, 2020, in accordance with the policy adopted by the National Model Railroad Association (NMRA) at its board meeting on March 7, 2020, Division 1 of the Lone Star Region of the NMRA, commonly known as the “Cowcatcher Division”, will require anyone under the age of 18, wishing to attend any division event, to be personally escorted by their parent or legal guardian. Additionally, the parent or legal guardian must sign a current document stating that they will remain in visual contact with their minor at all times.

Mike Mackey
Director, Cowcatcher Division 1

