

Cowcatcher Division

Division One of the Lone Star NMRA Region



Division 1 Whistle

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Division 1 Zoom meeting, Saturday, August 7th, 2021 - at the club or at your home. **Clinic:** Scratch Building a Flat Car with Duane Richardson, MMR

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August's meeting will be at The Texas Western Model RR Club and via zoom.

The address for TWMRC is 6808 Forest Hill Drive, Forest Hill, Texas 76140.



Look for the upcoming email with the link for the zoom

Meeting Agenda

- Business Meeting, Show and Tell & Q&A
- Make & Take flat car clinic with Duane Richardson, MMR



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Director's Report

A new benchmark! Our July meeting set a new attendance mark of 53. I'm absolutely pumped that our division is as active as it is. Everyone is to be commended for the hard work that is evident by the participation we are seeing. Let's keep it growing!!

Our Flat Car Clinic is continuing this month.

If you didn't make the first clinic you can catch up by watching a clinic video that is available on our division YouTube channel. Please access it by using the link from www.cowcatcherdivision.org. We will conclude the clinic this month on August 7th.



Yes, That's right! This month's meeting is August 7th!!

We had to move our meeting due to the visit of Union Pacific 4014 on Saturday, August 14, 2021. Thanks in advance to the host of volunteers that have stepped up to help with the event.

The Plano Train show is rapidly approaching at the end of September. Please contact Darrell Cowles to help. Darrell needs you to make this a successful event. As you know, Division 1 and Division 3 take turns organizing the booth every other show. Let's make this one of the best ever. Darrell can be reached by email at darrellcowles1@gmail.com. He still has openings for those who want to help. Don't forget, your volunteer hours count toward your Volunteer Achievement Program cert.

Did you sign up for the Tulsa Union Regional Convention yet? Early registration ended August 1, 2021, but it's not too late. Visit www.2021tulsaunion.com for details.

See you at the meeting on August 7th

, and...

Keep training!

Mike Mackey, MMR
Director, Cowcatcher Division

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This month's clinic:

Scratch Building a Flatcar – Part 2

Due to UP 4014 visiting Fort Worth on August 14, the monthly Cowcatcher Division Meeting will take place on the first Saturday in August, August 7.

At the August 7 meeting we will continue to work on the Flatcar build. Before being able to proceed with the build, all deck boards will need to be attached to the wooden frame. To start the August meeting, all plastic parts and the brass wire will need to be painted the same color as your End Sills and Side Sills. Please make sure that all of this has been completed before coming to the August 7 meeting.

A review of Part 1 of the flatcar build is available on the divisions YouTube channel.

Remember to bring your tools, as listed in the email sent from "News" at 1:53pm on July 3rd or send an email to Joe@Leising.com for a copy of the Tools List. For any questions, call 817-312-6615.

As always, the Texas Western Model Railroad Club will have an Open Run immediately following the August 7 meeting.

Respectfully,

Joe Leising

Program Manager

Treasurer's Report

As of August 1st, the division has \$4,452.64 in our operating account

Dick Brannan

Treasurer

Cowcatcher Division

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Exciting News

Starting in September, our store hours are changing. We are increasing to 6 days a week. Monday-Saturday 9:00am-3:00pm

We will **NO LONGER** be open till 6:00 on Mondays

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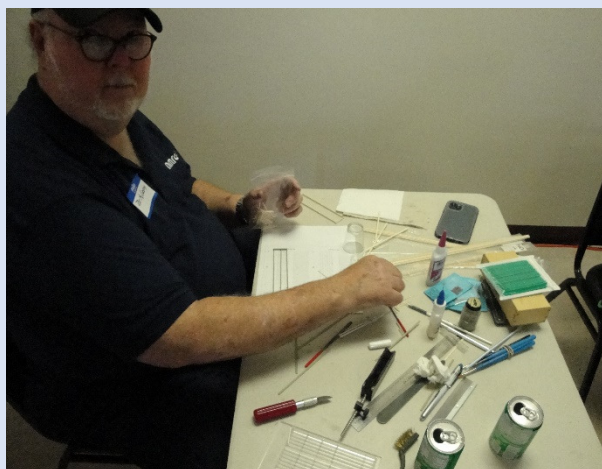
July Meeting Hi-lights



Show & tell – Michael Ross' O Scale Gondola.



NMRA members working on flat cars.



Pat McCarthy is in the house.



David Crumpton hard at work.

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August 2021

5th – TWMRC Business Meeting 7 pm - 9 pm @ 6808 Forest Hill Dr Forest Hill, TX 76140 www.twmrc.org

6th – Youth in Model
The group is actively looking for a new director to carry on this group, if interested please contact John Skiba: westsidelumberco@gmail.com

7th – NMRA Lone Star Region Cowcatcher Division 1 Meeting, 10 am - 1pm, Clinic: Scratch Building a Flat Car part 2 with Duane Richardson, MMR www.cowcatcherdivision.org

13th-15th – 4014 Big Boy Fort Worth, Texas One block east of 825 E. 9th St

14th – Greater Houston Train Show.

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

21st - NMRA Lone Star Region Division 3 Meeting, Christ The Servant Lutheran Church in Allan, TX, 10am - 1pm, Saturday www.trinityriverdivision.org

September 2021

4th - 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 Thursday www.twmrc.org

<https://www.nmra.org/calendar>

Make plans for October 6-10, 2021 for the Tulsa Union Convention in Tulsa, Oklahoma

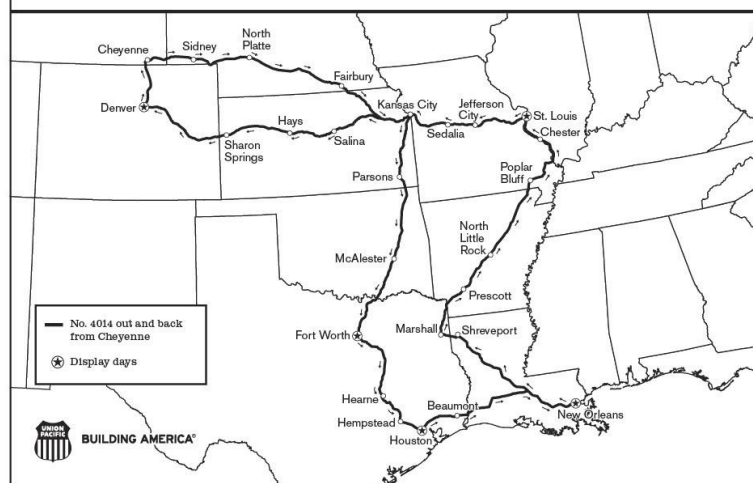
<http://www.2021tulsaunion.com>



Friday, August 13th-15th ~~██████████~~ Big Boy UP 4014 in Ft. Worth

<https://www.up.com/heritage/steam/schedule/index.htm>

2021 Steam Route Union Pacific's No. 4014



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GREATER HOUSTON TRAIN SHOW

SATURDAY, August 14, 2021

10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

In the Beautiful Spacious *

Stafford Centre

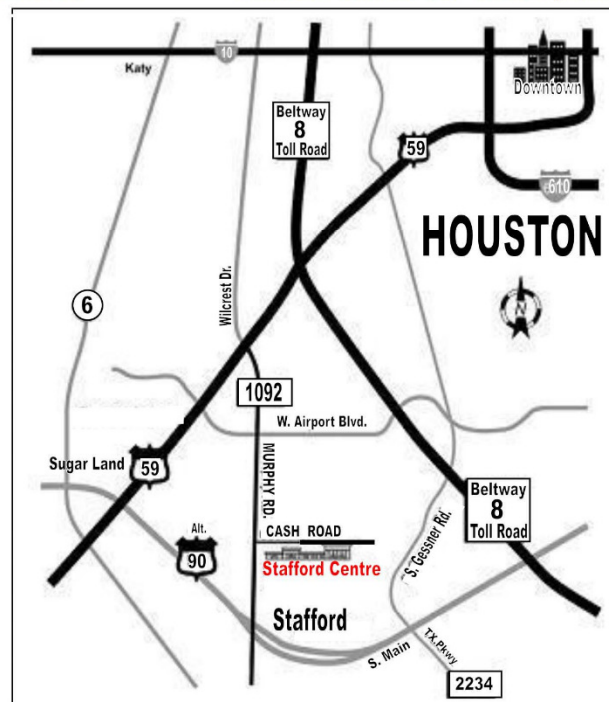
10505 Cash Road @ Murphy Rd.

Houston's Original Train Show

It's put on yearly by local clubs.

Admission:
Adults & Youth \$5
Children Under 12 Free
Max. \$10.00 per Family

FREE PARKING



**20,000 Square Feet of: Instructive How-to Demonstrations, Model & Photo Contest, Operating Layouts, and Vendors from across the Southwest as allowed.*

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Have you ever been to a model train show?

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Have you ever thought of owning and operating your own train set?

**\$10 ADMISSION
for both days**

**Children 12 and under,
Scouts and Leaders FREE*

ACCEPTING MAJOR CREDIT
AND DEBIT CARDS

Hourly door prizes with a complete train set given away at the end of each day of the show and a bigger train set given away on the last day of show.

Compete in the "Great Train Race"
Children of all ages have the opportunity to race each other. \$3 to play until someone beats you!



Plano Event Center | 2000 E. Spring Creek Pkwy.
Plano, TX | 75074 | dfwtrainshows.com

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Winfield Prints Available

Fort Worth Crossroads



I received a call the other day from Jim King of the North Texas Chapter of the National Railroad Historical Society. It seems that the Winfield drawing photo we've been using on our website was actually commissioned by the local NRHS chapter for their 2008 national convention held here. Not a problem, in fact a blessing! They are thrilled that we are using the drawing on our site. As luck would have it, they have additional copies of the print which they have allowed us to sell as a division fund raiser.

Currently we have 18" x 24" prints available for \$25.00, and a VERY limited number of the same prints commemorating the 2008 convention that are signed and numbered for \$35.00.

As you are aware, this is a GREAT price on a Winfield print! To purchase your print, please email director@cowcatcherdivision.org with your preference, signed or not, and I'll respond so we can arrange payment and delivery.

Mike Mackey

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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](tel:817-666-5367)

Dallas/Fort Worth O Scale Club

Normally meets two Saturdays per month in Richardson. Contact: Brady McGuire, Tel: [903-868-2726](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 & 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

Division 1 Sponsor

Discount Model Trains

4641 Ratliff Lane
Addison, TX 75001
972-931-8135



Angelo Hobbies (817) 428-0190
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North Richland Hills, TX 76180

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

Model Train Crossing (817) 595-0800
1113 W. Pipeline Road
Hurst, TX 76053

Hobbytown USA (817) 581-1027
746 Grapevine Hwy
Hurst, TX 76054

Hobbytown USA (972) 315-3700
500 E. Round Grove Rd
Lewisville, TX 75067

Wild Bill's Hobbytown USA (972) 438-9224
535 E Shady Grove Rd
Irving, TX 75060



Division 1 would like to Thank Discount Model Trains for their support !

Check with your local hobby shops for their store hours. Most are now open.

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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.