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May's meeting will be Saturday, May 14th 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 Mike Mackey's email for the zoom link.

Meeting Agenda

- Announcements, Awards, Show & Tell and Q&A
- Charles Goodrich, MMR presents "Fifty Years of Railroad Photography"



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Director's Report

Can you believe that this year is almost ½ over? Time slips away faster and faster it seems.

April's meeting was certainly a good one. Many thanks to David Crumpton for stepping in and hosting the meeting in my absence. Thanks also to Jeff Palmer, MMR for his clinic on roads. Jeff will be presenting his clinic at the 2023 International NMRA convention in case you missed it.

As I mentioned last month, our banner slogan for 2022 for D1 is "Helping You Make Your Model Railroading Dreams a Reality." Our focus this year will be to help you learn skills to make you a better modeler. I'm encouraging you to bring things to our meetings to show "what's on your workbench" as part of our monthly Show and Tell segment.

Also, our secondary theme this year is "If You Do Nothing, Expect Nothing as a Result!" In the NMRA, and for that matter in life, what you get out of something is directly proportional to what you put into it. Let's dig in and make D1 even better this year!

This month Charles Goodrich, MMR, Director of Division 3 of the LSR will be showing us a slide show of over 50 years of railfanning. I have had a chance to see a glimpse of his photos and they are EXCELLENT!

Be sure and mark your calendar for the meeting this Saturday at 10am. Don't forget...

Bring a friend to the meeting!

Keep training!

Mike Mackey, MMR
Director, Cowcatcher Division



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Treasurer's Report

As of May 1, the Cowcatcher Division has 2742.63 in its checking account.

Dick Brannan

Treasurer
Cowcatcher Division

This month's clinics:

"Fifty Years of Railroad Photography" with Charles Goodrich, MMR

Charles started seriously photographing trains in the late 1960's so he would have a record of what railroading was all about so his model railroad would accurately reflect the prototype. A trip to the Reader Railroad in South Arkansas introduced him to steam railroading which became a lifetime passion. Charles has traveled coast to coast photographing trains. Although the clinic has a heavy content of steam railroading there is a lot of diesel action too. Although many of the diesel photographs are from around Shreveport, La (his hometown) there are pictures of roads across the country.

Bio

Charles is a retired mechanical engineer and enjoys re-designing drives for his O scale models. He also likes scratch building and painting both structures, locomotives and rolling stock.

Charles has been modeling all his life. As a child he started as many others have with a 4 X 8 Lionel layout. Not being happy with Lionel because the ties were too far apart, he changed to HO when in junior high school. This was influenced in part by a large HO layout that was sponsored by the Kansas City Southern Railway at the Louisiana State Fair. He was further inspired by the models of Louisiana industry at the Louisiana State Exhibit Museum in Shreveport.

After a move associated with a job change Charles decided to change scales in pursuit of his love for the Colorado Narrow Gauge. He sold his HO collection and started over modeling in On3. As he was building his new layout, a friend challenged him to look at the NMRA achievement program. He started collecting achievement certificates and in five years he had his Master Model Railroader #229 plaque.

Charles models D&RGW narrow gauge and standard gauge set in the early 1950's but his period and local are a bit flexible as he likes Southern Pacific/Cotton Belt from the period when he first started seriously modeling in the late 1960's. During this period SSW was running locomotives from every manufacturer including Alcos, GE's, EMD's including the big DD-35's and U-50's. The big engines would come into Shreveport almost every day on the evening train from Houston.

Charles is also an avid railroad photographer and likes showing his photographs of trains to anyone that will watch. He has a passion for steam power, but diesels are game too, especially older ones. His photography has led to publishing many articles in the major model magazines.

The NMRA has contributed a lot to his modeling enjoyment. After a move to the Dallas area, it was at the Division 3 NMRA meetings that he met many of his close friends in the area. He is now the Director of Division 3. When asked to take this responsibility he was inclined to say no way but remembering all that the NMRA has given him he had to accept the position. It has been an enjoyable experience.

Respectfully,
Cole Rash
Program Manager

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Complete Train Entries



Freight Car Entry



Photography



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Arts & Crafts – General & Railroadians



Arts & Crafts - Needlework



On Line Structures

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May 2022

5th -7th – LSR Convention
3303 N 3rd St,
Temple, TX 76501

14th – NMRA Lone Star Region
Cowcatcher Division 1 Meeting,
10 am - 1pm

www.cowcatcherdivision.org

21st – NMRA Lone Star Re-
ion Division 3 Meeting, Christ The
Servant Lutheran Church in Allan,
TX, 10am - 1pm, Saturday

www.trinityriverdivision.org

21st – Cowtown Model RR
Club General Meeting, Handley
Center, 3024 Forest Avenue, Ft
Worth, TX 76112, 7pm - 9pm,

<https://www.cmrrc.net>

June 2022

2nd – 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

11th – NMRA Lone Star
Region Cowcatcher Division 1
Meeting, 10 am - 1pm

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Gateway 2022

NMRA National Convention

Sun, August 07 — Sat, August 13, 2022

[https://www.eventsquid.com/event.cfm?pre
view&event_id=13724](https://www.eventsquid.com/event.cfm?preview&event_id=13724)

Regional Train Shows

Austin August 27 & 28, 2022

<https://austintrainshow.org>

Temple September 17 & 18, 2022

<http://centramodrr.com/train-show>

Plano October 1 & 2, 2022

<http://www.dfwtrainshows.com>

New Braunfels October 22 & 23, 2022

<http://newbraunfelsrailroadmuseum.org/nbrr/train-shows>

Oklahoma City November 5 & 6, 2022

<https://www.oklahomarailwaymuseum.org/events/okc-train-show/>

Greater Houston February 18, 2023

<http://www.sanjacmodeltrains.org/GHTS.php>

AUSTIN 2022 TRAIN SHOW



Saturday August 27, 2022

10:00am to 5:00pm

Sunday August 28, 2022

10:00am to 4:00pm

Palmer Events Center

900 Barton Springs Road

Austin, Texas

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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://www.cmrrc.net>

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@cablone.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.trinitytrak.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

Angelo Hobbies

5600 Rufe Snow Drive Dr. #106
North Richland Hills, TX 76180
<http://angelohobbiestrains.com>

(817) 428-0190



Discount Model Trains

4641 Ratliff Lane
Addison, TX 75001

(817) 428-0190



Hobby World

5658 Westcreek Dr. Ste. #500
Fort Worth, TX 76133
<https://www.facebook.com/hobbyworldfw>

(817) 263-5750

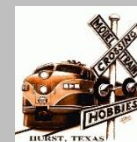


Model Train Crossing

1113 W. Pipeline Road
Hurst, TX 76053
<https://www.facebook.com/modeltraincrossin>

(817) 595-0800

(no "g" on the end)



Hobbytown USA

746 Grapevine Hwy
Hurst, TX 76054
<https://www.hobbytown.com/hurst-tx/1123>

(817) 581-1027



Hobbytown USA

500 E. Round Grove Rd
Lewisville, TX 75067
<https://www.hobbytown.com/lewisville-tx/121>

(972) 315-3700



Wild Bill's Hobbytown USA

535 E Shady Grove Rd
Irving, TX 75060
<https://www.hobbytown.com/irving-tx/1183>

(972) 438-9224



Check with your local hobby shops for their store hours.

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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.