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OCTOBER'S MEETING WILL BE AT 10am ON SATURDAY THE 5TH AT THE TEXAS WESTERN MODEL RR CLUB AND VIA ZOOM. THE ADDRESS IS 6808 FOREST HILL DRIVE, FOREST HILL, TEXAS 76140	
SEE EMAIL FOR ZOOM LINK	

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Looks like fall has arrived in north Texas and I am glad to be here after a fantastic trip to Italy.

I understand the September meeting and clinic were outstanding and thanks to David Grein for subbing for me as well as Eric Smith for putting on a very informative clinic on 3D Printing.

This month's clinic is a "hands on clinic" where we are building a Speeder Shed. Hopefully everyone has ordered their kit and per Duane it should be a fairly easy build.

Everyone should have marked their calendars; remember

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LEADERSHIP TEAM

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<https://cowcatcherdivision.org/>



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DIRECTOR'S REPORT CONT.

the meeting is October 5th, a week earlier than normal due to 4014 visiting Fort Worth the following weekend.

Hope to see everyone at the Plano train show the weekend of 9/28. It is an important show for our Division and of course we are raffling off the "Pay it Forward Module".

According to early reports all exhibit tables have been sold for the first time in several years, so there may be new vendors attending and a large crowd is expected.

I'll see you Saturday the 5th and don't forget to bring a friend.

Dick Brannan
Director -Cowcatcher Division
LSR NMRA



DATES TO REMEMBER

OCTOBER 2024

5TH NMRA LSR COWCATCHER
DIVISION 1 MEETING 10AM-1PM

10-12TH UP BIGBOY IN FTWORTH

25th-26th RED RIVER RPM

OCTOBER 2024

10th-13th MPHS-RGM&HS
CONVENTION PUEBLO CO

12th HEARTLAND TOY TRAIN SHOW
CHICKASHA OK

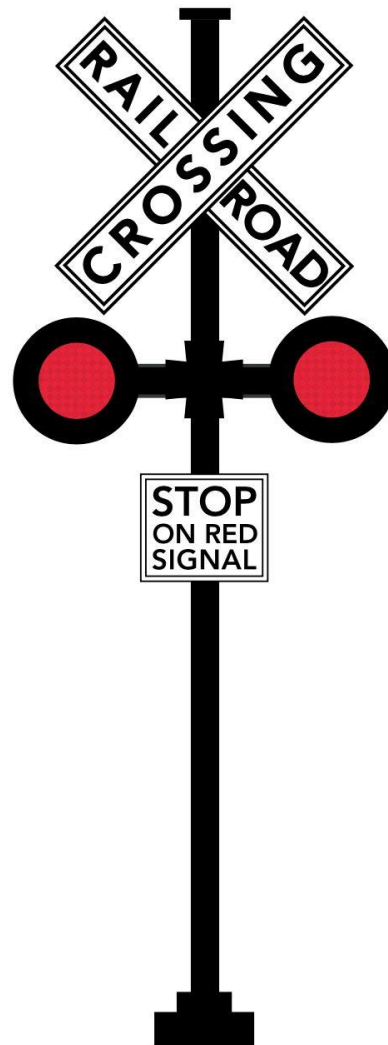
25th-26th RED RIVER RPM

26th-27th NEW BRAUNFELS TRAIN
SHOW

NOVEMBER 2024

2nd-3rd OKLAHOMA CITY TRAIN SHOW

16th-17th HOUSTON AREA MODEL
TRAIN SHOW



REGIONAL TRAIN SHOWS

NEW BRAUNFELS OCT 26, 2024

OK CITY NOV 2-3, 2024

GREATER HOUSTON FEB 15, 2025

FOURTH ANNUAL RED RIVER RPM

OCTOBER 25-26, 2024

FOREST HILL CIVIC CENTER

8901 WICHITA ST

FOREST HILL, TX 76140



TREASURER'S REPORT

1 SEPTEMBER BALANCE \$2381.42

RECEIPTS \$601.50

EXPENDITURES \$199.46

30 SEP BALANCE \$2783.46

30 SEP CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT
\$22435.21

AREA MODEL RAILROAD CLUBS/NEWS

COWTOWN MODEL RAILROAD CLUB

MEETS AT THE HANDLEY COMMUNITY CENTER, UPSTAIRS 3024 FOREST AVE, 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 INFO CONTACT LEE MARTIN AT 817-666-5367

DALLAS/FT WORTH O SCALE CLUB

NORMALLY MEETS TWO SATURDAYS PER MONTH IN RICHARDSON

CONTACT BRADY McGUIRE 903-868-2726

bradyprrm1a@cablone.net

STAN SCHWARTZ ss124@sbcglobal.net

DENTON AREA MODEL RAILROAD CLUB

MEETS 2ND TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 7PM IN THE DENTON SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER DOWNTOWN

HO & N SCALE MODULAR LAYOUTS

<https://www.facebook.com/damrrc/>

NORTH TEXAS CHAPTER OF NATIONAL RAILWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MEETS 7:30-10:00 PM FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, OFTEN (BUT NOT ALWAYS) AT GRAPEVINE TOURIST & VISITORS INFORMATION CENTER AT MAIN ST AND FWWR RAILROAD TRACKS

<https://ntxnrhs.org>

TEXAS WESTERN MODEL RAILROAD CLUB

LOCATED AT 6808 FOREST HILL, 76140

VISITOR HOURS: SEE CLUB WEBSITE

<https://www.facebook.com/texaswesternmodelrailroadclub>

<https://www.twmrrc.org>

TRINITY N-TRK

MEETS AT HOBBY WORLD, FT WORTH AT 6:30PM

CHECK WEBSITE FOR TIME

<https://www.trinityntrak.com>

TNMRC

MEETS AT 11999 PLANO RD, SUITE 154, DALLAS 75243

<https://www.texasnorthern.org>

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ANGELO HOBBIES

5600 RUFÉ SNOW DRIVE #106
NORTH RICHLAND HILLS 76180

DISCOUNT MODEL TRAINS

4641 RATLIFF LN
ADDISON 75001

MODEL TRAIN CROSSING

1113 W. PIPELINE RD
HURST 76053

HOBBYTOWN USA

746 GRAPEVINE HWY
HURST 76054

HOBBYTOWN USA

500 E. ROUND GROVE RD
LEWISVILLE 75067

WILD BILL'S HOBBYTOWN USA

1112 W. ARBROOK BLVD
ARLINGTON 76015

NMRA POLICY STATEMENT

EFFECTIVE MARCH 31, 2020, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY ADOPTED BY THE NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION 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, PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MUST SIGN A CURRENT DOCUMENT STATING THAT THEY WILL REMAIN IN VISUAL CONTACT WITH THEIR MINOR AT ALL TIMES.



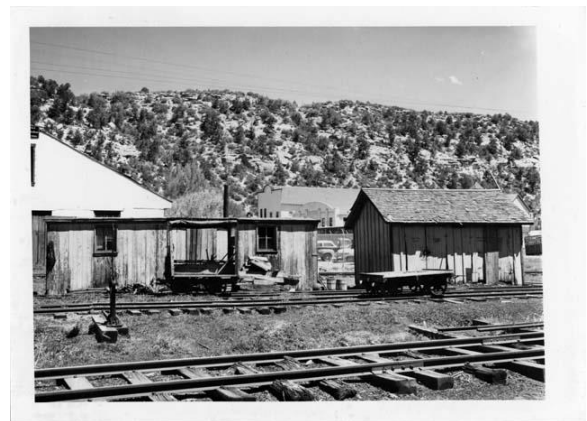
OCTOBER CLINIC

BUILD AND TAKE

Group-build with Duane Richardson
MMR. We will do a speeder
shed/tool house in various scales.

Duane says to bring the following:

- 1) Some kind of cutting board or mat
- 2) A scalpel/hobby knife (X-acto)
- 3) 3 colors of paint for wall and trim, black and gray for tarpaper roof
- 4) Paint brushes
- 5) Glue or cement (carpenters glue or Aleens is best)
- 6) Something to keep it square (if you don't have a machinist's square, a clamp or even a Lego brick works)
- 7) Paper towels



**NMRA ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM
HONOREES**

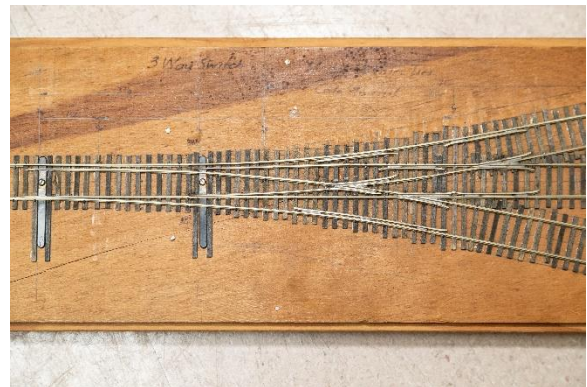
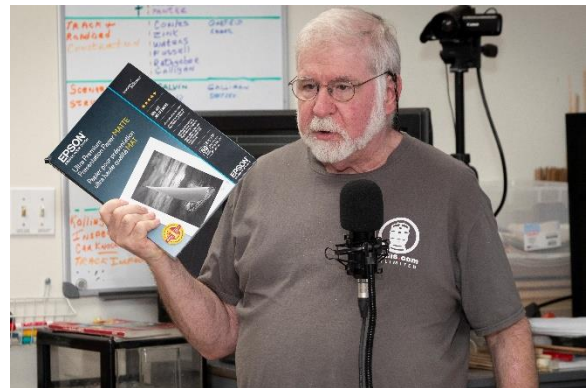


SAMUEL OGDEN JR.

SHOW AND TELL



John Garfield showing his turnout



Garfield turnout

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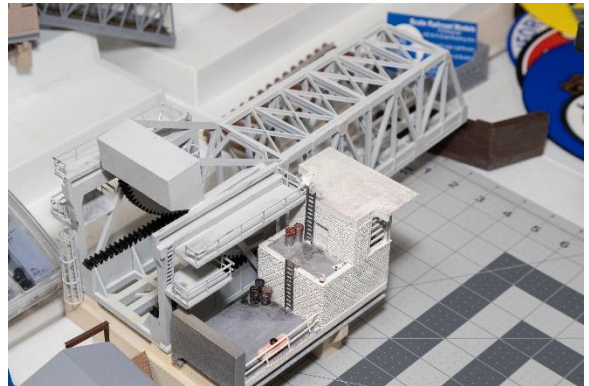
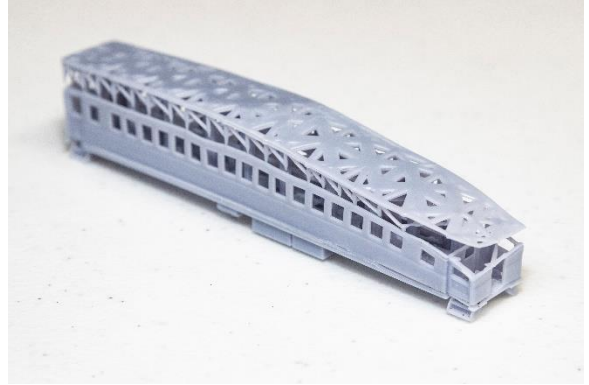
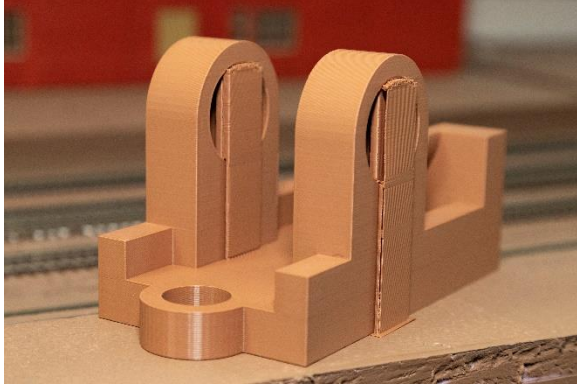
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SEPTEMBER CLINIC ON 3D PRINTING



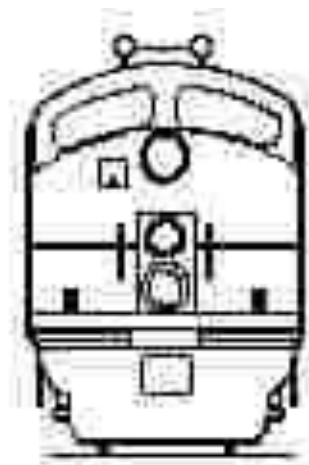
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HO Layout for Train Show



Work continues on “Pay in Forward Module”

Many Thanks to all the volunteers

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SAVE THE DATES!!

THE 2025 LSR CONVENTION
WILL BE HELD IN
SOUTHERN LOUISIANA FOR
THE FIRST TIME IN THIRTY
YEARS AND YOU WON'T
WANT TO MISS IT!

THERE WILL BE LAYOUTS
AND OTHER RAILROADING
OPPORTUNITIES YOU'VE
PROBABLY NEVER SEEN, IN
A REGION RICH WITH
INTERESTING AND
EXCITING SIGHTS (AND
FOOD)

JUNE 26-29, 2025

HOLIDAY INN BATON
ROUGE SOUTH

9900 AIRLINE HIGHWAY

BATON ROUGE LA 70816

