



Call Board

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This Month's Program ... **THE FUN of KitBASHING**



We'll take a look at the reasons for rebuilding model locomotives and get down to how to do it. Materials, research sources, it will all be presented by a long time KIT BASHER.

BUS TOUR tickets will be available at this meeting for the August trip to Indianapolis! Mike Mereness will fill us in on tentative details and you can get your share of the limited number of seats available.

Sunday, June 15th 2 PM Chapel 3 (map inside)

SUPER'S NOTES

Let's get rolling...



Get these out of here!... The Crossroads Club in Vandalia were kind enough to offer us their collection of old TRAINS magazines (1951 – to the '80's) for our Division library. They are overflowing with research materials and needed to clear out some space. At the last meeting I mentioned the idea of including these in the library of model railroad magazines that John Smith kindly oversees for us. Seems John is as short of space as the rest of us but George Ardwin volunteered to act as custodian. Well, to make a long story longer, the Crossroad members in my operating crew brought the magazines over to my house this week for George to pick up.

Now here's the problem. I started in model railroading in the early fifties while in high school. Those 1950's issues of TRAINS and MR were what I cut my teeth on. Now I go to the basement and find boxes of them staring up at me from those golden years. What would you do? You bet you would do just what I do. I sit down with a batch after dinner and then next thing you know it's 11:30 PM! I haven't been able to accomplish a thing since they arrived. Come on George, you have got to get these out of here so I can at least mow my lawn.

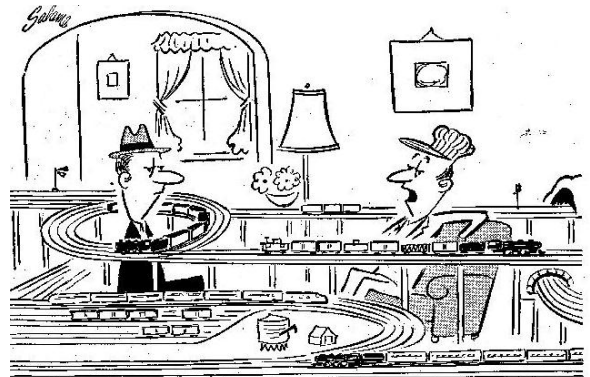
Seriously, if you need some issue or some prototype research done once George gets the magazines cataloged you can contact him to borrow them. Just another service that your membership provides.

Don't miss the upcoming programs!

Did you send in the member survey in last month's Callboard? If not, bring it along to this month's meeting as it will help us plan on the kind of meetings that will please the most people. This month we're sticking with model building skills with Ray Persing's "Scratchbuilding" clinic. We have had some great presentations so far this year and they just keep coming.

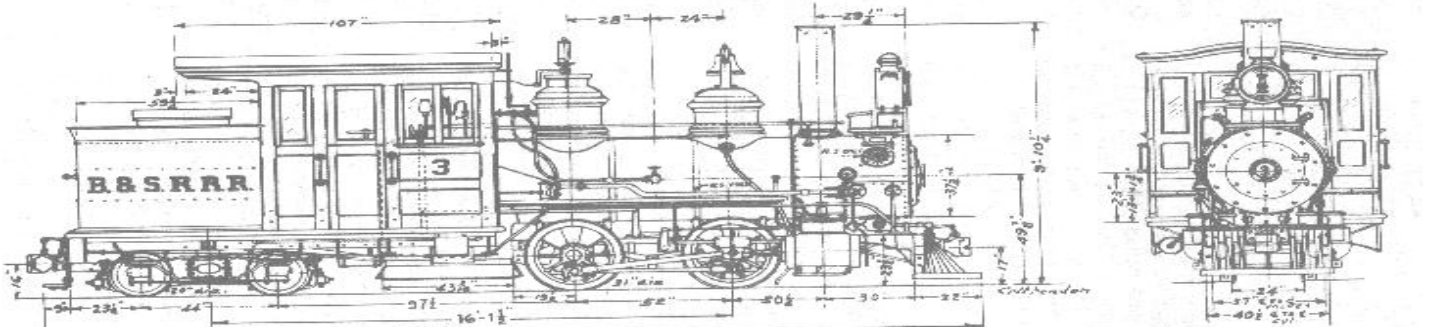
See YOU at the next Meeting.

Bob Fink MMR



"Come now ... surely you must have heard of model railroading."

Sharpening Your SKILLS



AP Program News...

The whole concept of the Achievement Program is based on improving your skills and getting recognition for it. To make the program work we have to offer you a chance to show your work and you have to come forward and participate. We'll do our part each month by offering a popularity contest and even a "show and tell" table to get you started. As your skills advance you can join us in the Achievement Program (AP).

The monthly contest setup ...

We have three categories each month. You can enter Scratchbuilt, KitBashed, or just plain Kit built. This allows anyone to enter anything they are proud of and at any skill level. Judging is by popular vote but if you wish to have your model judged by NMRA rules for the Achievement Program, we will make arrangements for you "on the spot".

The coming contest schedule ...

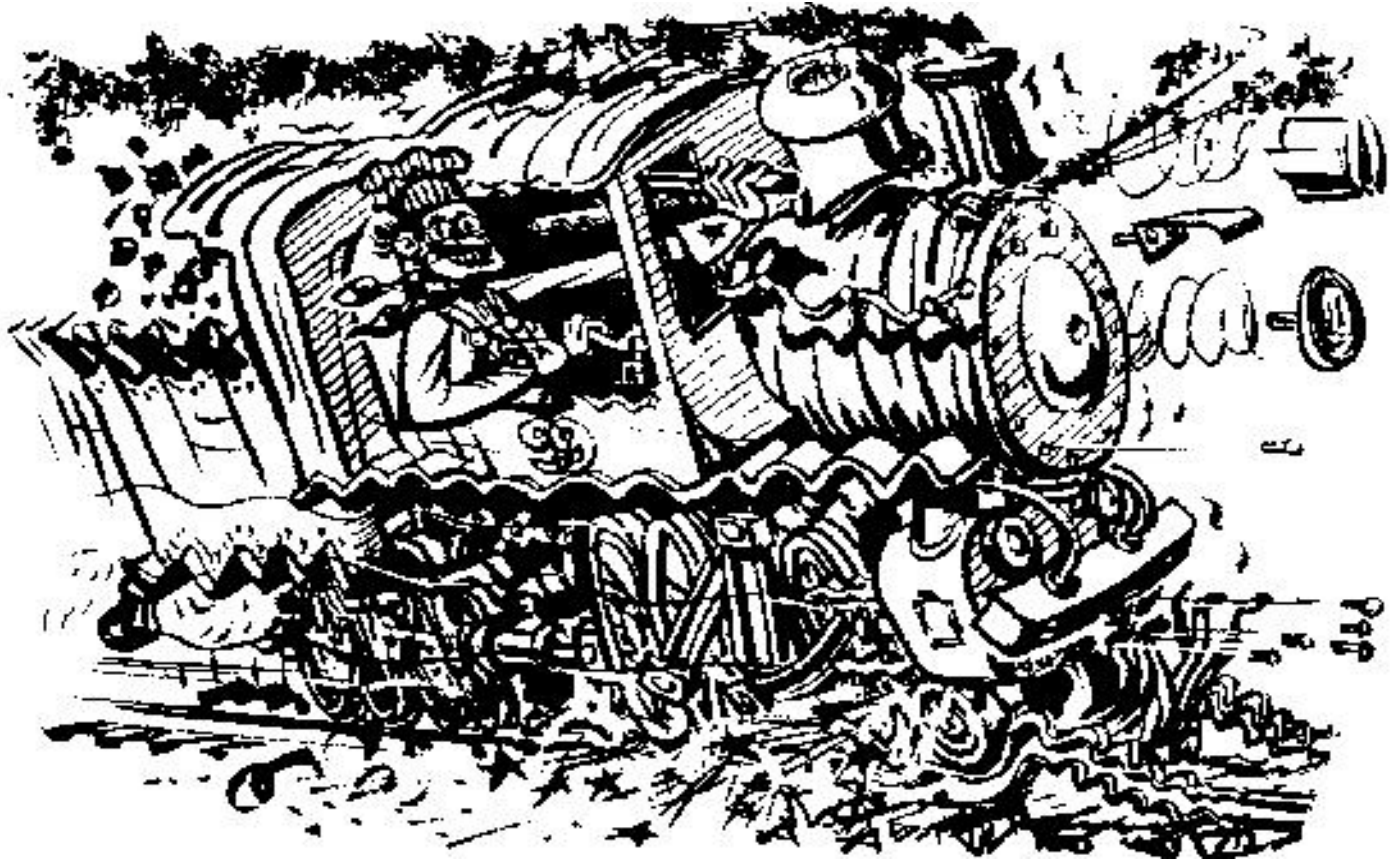
June Steam Locomotives

July Non-Revenue Car

Contest Results

May 2008 - Diesel Locomotives					
	KIT	KIT BASHED	SCRATCH BUILT	PHOTO	
First	Jim Foster	Phil Gliebe	No Entries	George Ardwin	
Second		Terry McTaggart			
Third		Jim Foster			
Overall Standings					
	KIT	KIT BASHED	SCRATCH BUILT	PHOTO	OVERALL
First	Jim Foster (8)	Phil Gliebe (11)	Terry McTaggart (4)	J Hedge (9)	Phil Gliebe (14)
Second	Phil Gliebe (3)	Jim Foster (5)		George Ardwin (4)	Jim Foster (13)
Third		George Ardwin (4)			J Hedge (9)

HOLD EVERYTHING!!!



The August Bus trip tickets are here.

We're going to see some fine layouts in Indianapolis and then tour the Indiana Transportation Museum. Same great deal, \$25 per ticket and it includes the tour and a fine **Box Lunch**.

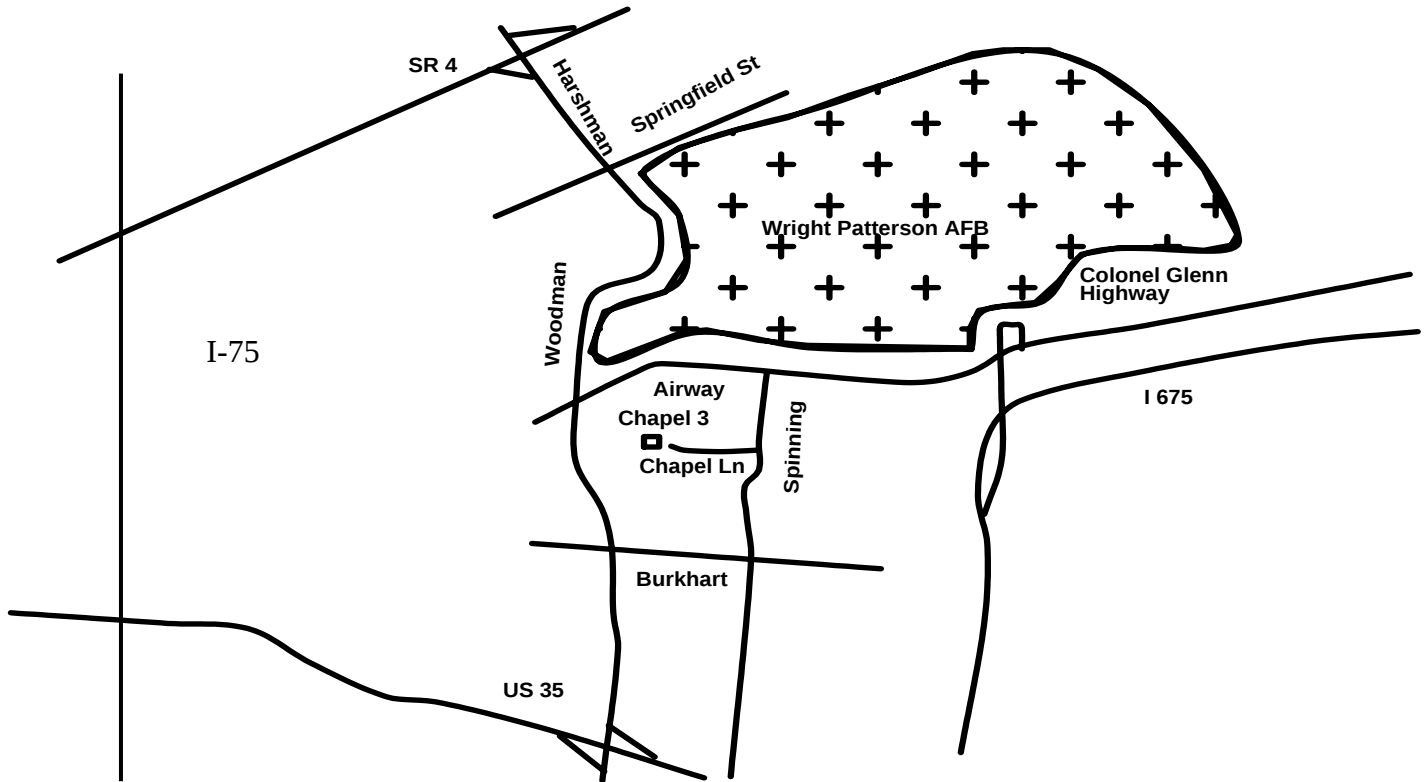
Don't miss out as we have a forty seat limit. Get your tickets at the June meeting or call Bob Fink at (513) 897-0970 to secure yours.

August 16th, 2008
7:30AM (Bus leaves at 8:00AM sharp)

KEEP watching the Callboard & WebPage for departure Pt.

Division 3 Website: www.modelraildayton.com

You are invited to attend the next meeting of Division 3. It will be held at the Family Life Center, Chapel 3 Chapel Lane, Riverside Ohio at 2 pm, 15 June 2008. Visitors and guests are always welcome.



6th Annual Railroad Festival at Bradford, Ohio Saturday, June 21, 2008.

The event is sponsored by the Bradford Ohio Railroad Museum. The event has been expanded to include **railroad** exhibits and vendors at the Bradford Library, the Bradford Community Club and the Depot.

The BF Tower listed on the National Register of Historic Places will be dedicated at 10 am to start the event. All former tower operators and signal maintainers are asked to attend and be recognized for their service.

The museum will be open to the public with new exhibits and an HO-Scale model train and children's train. Rides on the Kiddie Train will carry passengers around the festival. There will be a passenger loading area designated with a crossing buck.

Telegraph School will be held at the BF Tower.

The Video Documentary of the Tower Operators and Signal Maintainers will make its premier.

Exhibits **will also be held** at the Bradford Public Library as well as a children's activity area for face painting and coloring.

HO and O-Scale Model Layouts will be in the Depot.

Vendors will be located at the Community Club.

Rommer's BBQ Chicken Dinners will be served from the Community Club's kitchen.

Local Author **Cynthia** Vogel will be signing her book at the library.

The Railroad **Festival** Choir will be performing railroad songs.

Save the date and visit the 2008 Bradford Railroad Festival.

A Quick and Easy Repair to a Structure

By Ron Einarson
President, NMRA-Canada

Ever find or purchase a used structure that loses something on its way home? I got one structure from my late friend Charlie that was missing a window. It was there when I left his place so I probably knocked it out while bringing it home or it got lost as I moved it around the layout / workbench.

No problem, right? Just put a new window in and that ends the drama. Sounds quick and easy but Charlie was an artist and mixed his own paints to give his "stuff" a unique flavour. I dug into my spare parts bin and found the matching window to the structure, then spent two weeks trying to match the window colour. After many futile efforts I put the structure back on the shelf until I could decide what to do.

One Saturday afternoon I was moving the structure while dusting of the shelf when an idea stuck me. Why not just board up the window? Too simple. I grabbed my wood remnants box, found several pieces of stained wood, measure the opening, set my chopper to the correct length and proceeded to cut the necessary number of pieces. Some white glue was used to affix the wood to the empty window opening. It took all of 15 minutes to make the structure complete and have it back on the layout. Quick and easy, once the inspiration hit me.



Miami Valley Rail Festival

at Carillon Park
3rd Annual
Miami Valley Rail Festival
Saturday, June 21, 2008 9:30-5:00
Sunday, June 22, 2008 Noon to 4:00 pm

Miniature Train Rides

Historical and Model Train Displays

Vendors Selling Food & Train Items

Admission for Rail Festival

\$8/adult, \$7/Seniors and \$5/students ages 3-17. Members and children age 3 and under are free. To ride the trains, patrons may either purchase a one day only pass for \$1.00 per person or a family season pass for \$10.00. The daily pass is good all day and guests may ride as many times as they want.

Xenia Rail & Arts Fest

Enjoy Affordable Family Fun!
August 25, 2007 - 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

The Pumpkin Railroad

A ride for the Kids for small fee

Train on Time

Handcars and pump-it cars...a kids ride for a small fee

Youth Art Display

An opportunity for our young people to show off their talents

Little Miss Railroad & Little Mr. Engineer Contest

Entertainment throughout the Day