

# Call Board

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Superintendent Report for November 2024

The Dayton Train Show is just around the corner on November 2-3, to be exact. If you haven't volunteered yet, get hold of Gail today and do your part. This is the single-most important thing we do each year, as the income from this single event provided the funding we need to operate for the coming year. Everyone needs to support this effort.

There are numerous different activities that must be supported to make it come off in the fashion that the Dayton area has come to expect, but this is the time where we need everyone's support. There still is the need for more volunteers. Give one day of your time to the show. Gail Yarnall and her team have worked very hard this year. I cannot say it enough -- please volunteer some of your time!

## 2024 Dayton Train Show

Gail Yarnall

By the time you read this, the 2024 Dayton Train Show will probably be over. However, when this is being written, tomorrow we will inspect the floorplan and stage the items to be taken to the event center for next week's show. I have been working hard today on the last few final payments and setting up to create the information packets. We are checking our lists, twice (if we can find the safe place where we

Rick Lach is the project leader for Christmas on Campus at the University of Dayton. He is asking for a few volunteers to help set-up our display. If you can help, contact Rick.

At the October meeting, I represented a proposal to host the 2026 MCR Convention. The Region has requested our support to host the convention in May 2026. I discussed this with the BOG and they felt that the division needed to be involved with a decision. The members at the September meeting gave the proposal a somewhat negative response, but at our last meeting the members present gave the convention positive support with 16 of the 23 members voting approving the proposal to hold the 2026 MCR Convention. I have established a focus team to begin the planning. We have talked with the two hotels that can support the effort. We have found a company that

stored them) and finding this and that which still need to be done.

Many of you know how time-consuming and challenging the train show can be. When CoVid came up, for the first time in my term, we were begging for vendors. Before that, it had been a no-brainer to fill our buildings. I'm happy to say that this year seems to hark back to the old times. Our show has been full since July and we have a waiting list of Vendors (and a couple of exhibitors) who are hoping that a place will open up for them.

will take care of the reservation and billing effort, providing us with detailed information periodically. The team is reviewing previous conventions from 2010 through 2024 to determine the potential expenses and revenue. We are also looking into the potential needs to meet the traditional convention activities such as local areas of interest and layouts in our division.

As I stated last month, we can do this, but we need your support as we move forward.

Our next meeting is on November 17, at GCHS in Xenia. Bob Bartizek will present the clinic titled "Pennsylvania and Western Story." The contest will be weathering (only the weathering is judged). I hope to see all of you at our next meeting.

Eric Zimmerman  
Superintendent

We have many long-term Vendors, but also many brand new Vendors.

This year promises to have a wonderful show, however we are hoping that next year's show will be stupendous. We do not yet have specific plans, but the 2026 DTS is our 50<sup>th</sup> show. We are hoping that many of you will join in to help us make this year's show and next year's show follow our routine program for the show: **SIMPLY IR-RESSISTABLE!**



Scratchbuilt 1st — Jim Foster



Kit 1st — Jim Foster



Kit 2nd — Art Mosher



Kit 3rd — Jack Honeycutt

## Contests

We have a category with three classes each month. They are: Scratch Built, Kit Bashed or just plain Kit Built. You may enter anything you are proud of and at any skill level. Judging is by popular vote. If you want to have your model judged to NMRA standards for the Achievement Program please contact Rick Lach.

### The coming contest schedule ...

November - Weathering

January - Open Loads

February - Non-Revenue Cars

March - Freight Cars

April - Motive Power (Diesel, Steam, Electric)

May - Passenger Equipment

June - Railroad Owned Structures

July - No Contest

August - No Contest

September - Freight Cars

October - Caboose

November - Weathering

December - Non Railroad Structures

## Results

### October - Caboose

#### Kit Built

- 1st Jim Foster
- 2nd Art Mosher
- 3rd Jack Honeycutt

#### Kit Bashed

- 1st Wil Davis
- 2nd Nate Adams
- 3rd Stan Sartell

#### Scratch Built

- 1st Jim Foster

#### Photo

- 1st Nate Adams
- 2nd Nate Adams

## 2025 TRAINing Day

Gail Yarnall

The date for the 2025 TRAINing Day has been set: April 12, 2025. Please mark your calendar. It will include The Scout RR badge training. I'm hoping we will have many guests from the Camporee.



Model Photos by Ed Durkin

Kitbashed 1st — Wil Davis



Kitbashed 2nd — Nate Adams



Kitbashed 3rd — Stan Sartell



### The 2024 Scout Camporee

Gail Yarnall

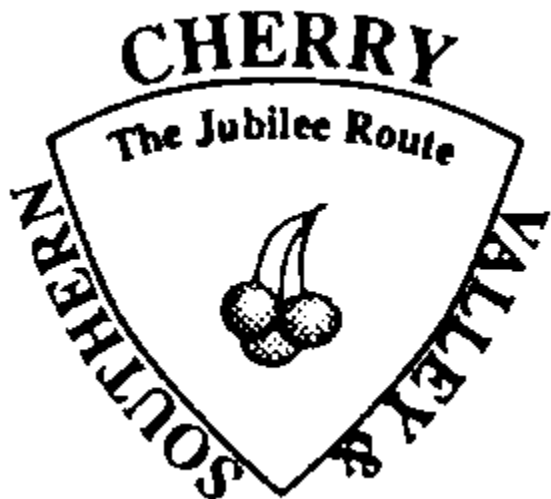
was a Fall Range and Target Sports (aka Shooting Sports) Camporee scheduled for 19 Oct 2024 at the Wolf Creek Rod and Gun Club from 9 am to 5 pm. It included shooting and fishing. This venue is about 1/2 mile from the fair-grounds. Part of the event had a "Midway" of activities and interests for the scouts to visit during their down times. We set up some small layouts to show the scouts model railroading including the T-TRAK layout, suitcase/briefcase layouts,

and other items. We are hoping to stimulate interest in youth that would carry over to their parents as well, and to stimulate interest in the Scout Model Railroading Badge class to be held at our 2025 TRAINING Day at the Carillon on April 12, 2025."

OK, now you have 'just the facts, man.' Now the review. This event was more fun than a barrel of monkeys playing with a basket of puppies. Attendance at the Camporee was 170. There were male and female scouts, parents, troop leaders and event organizers. I really thought we would have some dead

times, but we were busy and saw so many different people. We had quite a few who wanted to attend our TRAINING Day, some who were interested in the RR badge, and many who were interested in the Train Show.

Overall, it was a wonderful group of people and very much fun. We are already invited to their next Camporee and I expect we will have many invitations in the future. I'm looking forward to as many as I can attend.



## Board of Governors

The Board of Governors usually meets the first Monday of the month to conduct the business of the Division. Meetings will be conducted online until further notice. Any member may attend and participate in the meeting. Please contact a board member to verify date and time.

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# November 2024

<b>Next Crew Call</b>	
<b>When:</b>	<b>November 17, 2PM</b>
<b>Where:</b>	<b>Greene County Historical Society 74 Church St Xenia, Ohio</b>
<b>Program:</b>	Pennsylvania and Western Story Designed for Operational Fun By Bob Bartizek
<b>Contest:</b>	<b>Weathering</b>
<b>Visitors and Guests Always Welcome</b>	

## Consignment Table Instructions

The Division 3 Consignment Table will be operated at the Division 3, MCR, NMRA Train Show on 6-7 November 2021. NMRA members that desire to sell model railroad are invited to bring their items to the consignment table not later than 11:00 AM on 6 November. A detailed sales sheet, must accompany the items.

**Product Identification:** Each item must have a sticker/label that identifies the price of the item and a "user code, consisting of the users initials and a number.

**Sales Sheet:** A completed Consignment Sales Sheet **must** be provided by the member at the time the items are dropped off at the consignment table, but NLT 11:00 AM on 6 November. A useable copy of the copy of a blank sheet is available on the Division 3 web site. This sample sheet can be downloaded prior to the event.

The sales sheet **must** include the Identification Number of the item, (RL-03) in numerical order; a concise description of the item (HO Walthers GP-9, Union Pacific or N Scale PRR SD-40, etc.); the desired selling price; the Reserve Price (the least amount you will accept, should a buyer try to haggle. If your reserve price is the same as the selling price leave the space blank, we will not accept any offer lower than you agreed-to price. Selling Price and Reserve must be in **Whole Dollar** amounts.

Example:

ID Code	Description	Asking Price	Reserve	Sale Price
MS-10	HO Boxcar NP 2345	\$10.00	\$5.00	(Leave Blank)
MS-11	HO Hopper ATSF 5584	\$15.00	--	(Leave Blank)
MS-12	HO Pikestuff Fire Station	\$22.50	\$21.00	(Leave Blank)

**Payment and return of Unsold Items:**

At the completion of the Train Show, members must pick up their unsold items. After the sales sheets are tabulated and the amounts will be forwarded to the member(s). Disbursement of the funds may entail extra time and will be provided as soon as possible after the show.

Members are reminded that Division 3 is to receive 10% of the total sales, which will be deducted from the final tally.

The Consignment Sales Sheet is attached for your use. Please print or type clearly. If the team can't read it the wrong item could be sold.

1 Atch: Consignment Sales Sheet

