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SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

The 2012 -2013 model railroad year is now half way over. There have been some changes within the Division. A totally new Board of Director has been seated as of September 1st. The new Broad consists of Gary Thurow, of Cheney, WA, as Superintendent; Wayne Walling, of Clarkston, WA, as Assistant Superintendent; James Trunzo, of East Wenatchee, WA, as Paymaster; and Richard Smith, of Hamilton, MT as chief clerk. Each has stepped forward and volunteered for these positions. I would to thank each of them for their commitment to the hobby.

The train show and swap meet season had a good start to the season. So far there have been two shows held within the Division. The first was held in Missoula, MT. in September 2012. In talking with Michael Brown, President of the Missoula Model RR Club, he said that the Club was pleased with turnout of public in support of the show and swap meet. As I walked through the show I also spoke with some of the vendors, They too seemed to be pleased with the public support for the hobby. Some of the venders reported that sales were good to very good.

The Second train show and swap meet was held in Spokane, WA. In October of 2012. This was a joint sponsored show. The Inland Northwest Rail Museum and the River City Modelers were the hosts for this show. This show was held in a new venue, The Spokane County Fair and Expo center. In previous years the show was held at the Spokane Community College. The new venue allowed the hosts be increase the number of vendors and also allowed for more and larger portable train layouts to shown. I talked with Mike Tietz, President of the River City Modelers. He stated that moving the show to the Fair Ground is something that both organizations had wanted to do for so time, but were unable to do so due to cost. Mike said that with this new venue that both the Museum and the RCM were well pleased with space that the Fair Grounds provided them. Public attendance was above what it had been in years past, and that the number of new vendors was welcome. All in All they were very well pleased.

November, December, January and February were somewhat slow months in the Division. Many clubs held annual open houses during this month. The River City Modelers Club was invited to display their new modular layout at the River Park Square Mall. I understand that it was a real hit with shoppers and their children.

In the upcoming months the Division will see a few more train shows and swap meets. The annual business meeting for the 5th Division will be April 13th. The PNR convention is to be held in Boise ID. June 26 - June 30th.

Should anyone have information that they would like to forward to the 5th Division as a whole, please contact me at gathurow@cet.com.

Gary Thurow, Superintendent

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CLUB NEWS

EVERGREEN RAILROAD MODELERS – Greenacres Shopping Mall – Contact: Jerry Quinn, 509-939-5845 –



Thursdays, 1 pm to 9 pm

The clubhouse is easy to find at 18213 East Appleway near the Barker Road exit. Our official meeting day is Thursday from 1 pm to 9 pm with a dinner break.

Tuesday is our backup day from 1 pm to 6 pm. Some members show up most afternoons and Saturdays. Below are some recent pictures from the layout. We will have an open house on Saturday, March 9th from 5 to 9 PM.

Evergreen Railroad Modelers enters its 5th year in the Spokane Valley. BY Jerry Quinn President, Evergreen Railroad Modelers

Our little upstart model railroad club started life back in September of 2008 when the world was coming to an end in the midst of all that noise about the financial Armageddon descending on the country and the world. We started with 12 members that we hoped could put together a model railroad club that could have little or no strife between members, join in building a layout that we would be totally proud of and finally have a camaraderie that all our members would enjoy playing and working together. 2 weeks ago we achieved a maximum level of membership of 30. Without the concerns we had back 4.5 years ago the *Equity* members have voted to remove the limitations on *Regular* members and all members will have voting privileges. We also recognize that some members cannot be here for every meeting and will remove the maximum member requirement as well. One other recommendation that was made is to have more "social" events such as Pizza Parties for the members and wives and kids at the club to get to know our families better. We had a BBQ at Lee Chessman's home last year with some 15 of us attending a terrific day riding the trains that Lee has at his home at 9 Mile Falls. Running trains, building models, coming up with the funds to make it all happen is kids play, having 30 guys pulling in the same direction, now that takes friendship and a little bit of leadership.



INLAND EMPIRE N SCALERS – Spokane – Contact: John Henry (509) 534-9347 - Wednesdays, 7:30 pm
Members set up and operated the modular layout at the Spring Spokane Train Show on March 10th.

IERHS (INLAND EMPIRE RAILWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY) d/b/a Inland Northwest Rail Museum – Spokane – Contact: Dale Swant, President & (newsletter editor) dale@seniorpages.com. ierhs@yahoo.com. Work continues at Reardan to get the area ready for more equipment. Our group has combined forces with the River City Modelers to put on the Fall Spokane Train Show in October and the Spring Spokane Train Show in March at the Fairgrounds.

INLAND EMPIRE S-GAUGE ASSOCIATION OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST – Contact: Bruce Taylor, 509-447-4690 or Bob Bowen, 208-245-2756.

NORTHWEST GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY – Contact: Steve Hughes (509) 891-1695 or Chuck Inlow (208) 772-7031. Website: INGRS.COM.

THE INSHOME MODULAR GROUP – Spokane, U City Mall – rear entrance – Contacts: Rick Stoneman (509) 535-2120 – Friday nights, 6 pm. Work continues on modules at U-City. The group set up an 8 x 40 modular layout at the Spokane Train Show on March 10th at the Fairgrounds.

LEWIS/CLARK TRAIN CLUB – Lewiston, ID – Contacts: Mike McGee (208) 816-6072 npstampede@tds.net or Lee Knapp (509) 758-6368 knappleebie@clarkston.com. Check out our website at lewis-clarktrainclub.webs.com. They are hard at work planning & getting ready for the March 24th Swap Meet in Lewiston at the Fairgrounds. They are planning to do on-going clinics as part of the swap meet using NMRA members. Below is our upcoming swap meet information!

**2ND ANNUAL LEWIS-CLARK RAILROAD AND
COLLECTIBLES SWAP MEET
SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2013
9:30 AM TO 4 PM
NEZ PERCE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
1229 BURRELL AVE. LEWISTON, ID**

**\$5.00 ADULTS
CHILDREN UNDER 12 FREE WITH AN ADULT**

**45 VENDORS, 150 TABLES OF RAILRODIANA, MODEL AND COLLECTIBLE TOY TRAINS AND MANY OTHER
ITEMS, OPERATING LAYOUTS IN VARIOUS SCALES, HOW TO CLINICS THROUGHOUT THE DAY
REFRESHMENTS & FOOD AVAILABLE BY 4FRIENDS CATERING**

**TABLE RENTAL & OTHER INFO IS AVAILABLE BY CONTACTING MIKE MCGEE, 208-816-6072 OR WAYNE
WALLING, 509-751-1289**

MISSOULA MODEL RAILROAD CLUB – Historical Museum at Fort Missoula, MT – Contact: Tom McCarthy, show@missoulamodelrail.org.

Since 1992, the Missoula Model Railroad Club has been located in the Milwaukee Road Drummond Depot (right), which was relocated to the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula. A permanent layout is currently on display in the depot. The club now has a "newer" portable HO scale layout and N scale layout that they operate periodically at the depot - most notably on Railroad Day and the 4th of July. They also take it to the annual train show and swap meet at Big Sky High School. The club's membership averages about 35.



RIVER CITY MODELERS – 1130 E. Sprague Ave., Spokane, WA – Contact: RCM #509-535-3462 or email: RCM.membership@gmail.com. Group meets Thursday nights at 7:00 PM. Membership is open. Check out River City Modelers on their facebook page – River City Modelers, or their website: www.RiverCityModelers.org. Both are updated regularly and have pictures, information about what the guys are working on and other news. Open houses were held on March 9th from 4 to 8 PM; and Sunday, March 10th from Noon to 4 PM in conjunction with the March 10th Train Show. See website for pictures.



Member Lee Chessman works on the yard for the Modular layout.



Bob Sample teaching members how to build signals for the layout.

TRI-CITY MODEL RAILROADERS – Parkade Hobbies, 223 W Kennewick Ave. – Contact: George Hledik, 509-551-1587 or email ghledik@gmail.com. Meetings are first Fridays at 7:00 PM.



FUTURE SHOWS

April 6, 2013, Cashmere, WA – Swap meet at Apple Annie's Events Center located at State Route 2 and Eels Road in Cashmere. Start time will be 10 AM and it will last until 4 PM. Admission is \$5 at the door, \$3 for seniors and \$2.50 for those under 12. All proceeds will go to the Trusting Spirits Horse Rescue in Orondo, WA. There will be concessions, raffles, door prizes and hopefully some layouts on display. The events center hosts a 50's diner, a coin & gold shop, and 70,000 square feet of antique dealers.

April 27, 2013, The 23rd annual Livingston Swap Meet from 10 AM to 4 PM in the Livingston depot, Livingston, MT.

April 28, 2013, Helena, MT. The 33rd annual Helena Railroad Fair will be held at the Civic Center from 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM. Admission \$3, under 12 free.

September 15, 2013, Missoula, MT. The 33rd Train Show & Swap Meet at the Big Sky High School, 3100 South Ave., West will be from 10 AM to 4 PM. \$3 16 & over; 15 and under free.

October 13, 2013, Spokane, WA. Spokane Fall Train Show, 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM at the Spokane Fairgrounds, Ag Buildings. 404 N. Havana Street. \$6 for adults 17 & over, \$3 for 11 to 16 years and 10 & under free.



5th Division PNR/NMRA ANNUAL MEETING

(Open to all interested model railroaders)

SATURDAY, April 13, 2013

MILLWOOD MASONIC CENTER

3219 N. Argonne Rd., Millwood, WA

(Parking around back)

Tentative Schedule

8:00 – 8:30 AM – registration (coffee & donuts)

8:45 – 9:30 AM – Clinic

9:45 – 10:30 AM – Clinic

10:45 – 11:15 AM – annual meeting (everyone)

11:30 – 12:15 PM – Clinic

Lunch 12:15 to 1:15 PM – we will provide lunch

Cost: \$12 for non NMRA members

\$10 for NMRA members

(This includes coffee, donuts, lunch, etc.)

**1:30 – 5:00 PM – local layout tours (information available
after lunch)**

**Judging will be available for models for the NMRA
Achievement Program**

Schedule is subject to change!

**For information contact: Gary Thurow, gathurow@cet.com
or Shirley Sample, cell 509-991-2317 or 509-292-8332 or
email: shirley@busnws.com**

Please RSVP by April 10th so we can estimate food.

Thanks!

NMRA / PNR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please accept my Membership application (renewal or new) in the NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION which includes the PACIFIC NORTHWEST REGION and my local area PNR Division # 5

New Member Renewal of membership NMRA # _____ PNR# _____

	<u>Annual Membership Dues</u>		<u>Amount</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular with subscription to Scale Rails	\$66	US	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Regular without subscription to Scale Rails	\$44	US	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Student Member (US only) (must be full time student)	\$32	US	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Family members of a member (EACH)		\$9	\$ _____

Names: _____

<input type="checkbox"/> Subscription to Switchlist hard copy (Electronic version free!)	\$8	US	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Sustaining (Business or Club). Includes Scale Rails	\$110	US	\$ _____
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Name: _____ Birth date (m/d/y): _____ Scale Preference: _____

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