



OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF
DIVISION SIX OF THE
NORTH CENTRAL REGION
OF THE NATIONAL MODEL
RAILROAD ASSOCIATION

ON THE RAILS...

SEPTEMBER 2014

Hello! Welcome to another edition of your Div 6 newsletter - **ON THE RAILS!** I hope you enjoy reading this, as I do enjoy writing it. I hope it keeps you informed and provides a few smiles. Lots of good information in this edition. Enjoy!! Now, here's the rest of your Div 6 news-

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

We had no new members at the last Div 6 meeting. Meeting attendance was good with about 40 members! To all Div 6 members, **WELCOME ABOARD!**

PRODUCT REVIEW

If you have an item to review, see Howard before the meeting.

BILL'S TOOL TIME

Div 6 member Bill Deeter was present and told us about a visit to the new ACE where ACO hardware was, similar to a Sears Hardware. Some deals he found- \$4.99 for a pint of paint custom mixed, small spring clamps, utility knives and blades, and a few other items. Looking forward to another tool tip.

DIV 6 MEETINGS

Our Division 6 meetings are on the **THIRD** Friday of each month. Our next Division 6 meeting will be on **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2014**. The meeting will be held at the Civic Center Senior Center in Livonia, at 5 Mile and Farmington Roads. The meeting is from 7:30pm - 10pm.

DIV 6 ELECTIONS!

It IS time for some Div 6 elections. Please remember, you must be a NMRA member to hold office and vote.

Nominations are-

Superintendent - Mark Ellis
Asst Super- Marty LaForte
Secretary - Ed Beamish
Treasurer - Larry Wolohon
Member-at-Large - Bill McMillan

If you were not present at the meeting and still want to make a nomination (or volunteer) please contact Howard ASAP!! We will have the vote at the September meeting. THANKS to those that have accepted nomination!

SHOW AND TELL

The subject for the last meeting was ONE item that you brought to sell at the Div 6 swap meet night.

Items shown included- lots of items from buildings, to detail kits, to rolling stock, books, VHS tapes, and vehicles!

Current Projects shown included- Japanese N scale trolley car - brass kit!; G scale garden layout pieces started; Pierre' brought some cucumbers to be converted to tank cars; Backdrop painting for another Div 6 members module; scratch built gas station; O scale war gon with spool wire load.

We had several members that donated to THE caboose, THANKS!!

NEXT MEETING - hoppers - any type

DIV 6 WEBSITE

The Div 6 website is up and running, check out the site -

www.div6-ncr-nmra.com

DIV 6 MISC NEWS

Great Lakes Live Steamers operations and rides are on the 1st and 3rd weekends! First weekend of the month in Royal Oak, third weekend is in Southgate.

The August meeting was held in the gym of the Senior Center. Seems a group had also been booked in our normal room. They needed the screen, so we moved to the gym. We'll check with the Senior Center to make sure this doesn't happen again.

Glenn Joppich has started posting video's on youtube on modeling technics. Look/search for the "steam bigot". Enjoy!

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CLASSIFIED ADS

We are happy to place classified ads for Div 6 members. The cost is \$2 per ad! And don't forget our "Surplus Table" at every meeting.

DIV 6 MODEL PROJECT

Our next modeling contest is due **THIS MONTH!** Subject matter will be- any type of hopper. Remember, this model **MUST** be modified and/or detailed, not simply built out of the box. We hope to see many entries!

CLINIC

WE ALWAYS NEED CLINICS for our meetings! If you are willing to do a clinic, please, e-mail/call Joe Bliss!!

The clinic for the last meeting was our annual Div 6 swap meet night. Seems like there was lots of buying going on... no swapping!

NEXT MEETING- on tools!!

RAILROAD HISTORY

Norm had a history lesson at the last meeting. He presented an article by Bill Miller on the Detroit, Bay City and Western RR. This railroad was started by three brothers (Handy Bros.) after selling two others. However, the route from Bay City to Detroit already had 4 other railroads in the area. Seems this project was never intended to be built, but was just for money gain! But it did get built all the way from Bay City to Port Huron. They did extend southerly to Mt. Clemens and Marine City. WWI did not allow them to extend to Detroit. In 1923 one of the Bros died and the RR went into steep decline. Feb 1925 was the last train run. Parts of the railroad exist as parts of other railroads, having been absorbed once it went bankrupt. Looking forward to another lesson soon.

LAYOUT TOURS

There were no tours in August.

WE NEED A LAYOUT CHAIRMAN!!

The job is easy... just call a few people and ask them to host a tour. We have the maps from the convention book, so once you get the tours set, all you have to do is report to this Editor and at a Div 6 meeting. **PLEASE HELP!!!** How about you?? **It's up to you guys...** if you want tours, you need to volunteer and get your friends to volunteer! **WE NEED/WANT TOURS!!**

NEXT TOURS- Sunday, Sept 14 !!
Bill Neale 12:00 - 5:00pm
Chick, Ken 1:00 - 5:00pm

FALL SHOW

YES... it's time to be considering the Div 6 FALL SHOW & WORKSHOP!! Will you display?? Will you help?? We do need YOU!! Bill McMillan, who will be running the raffles, put out the call for donations for the Raffle! **Items MUST be new!** Please bring donations to any Div 6 meeting and even the day of the show. We'll have the model and photo contest - how about entering one or both? Bill Deeter, who won Best in Show last year is putting out the challenge! **We need**

DISPLAYS! and general help too! Remember - ANYTHING is possible to display and demonstrate. The PLUS is that depending on what you demonstrate, it also helps you progress on your layout! Structures, painting people, fixing/upgrading rolling stock; making trees... the list is endless! The sign-up form will be at the next Div 6 meeting!! And as mentioned, we need general help such as set-up, tear down and door workers. Let's also not forget historical displays! Show off your proto-type railroad items, books, fact sheets and history. This is a great static display that you can put next to your demonstration and do BOTH! Norm, besides getting publicity out on the show, will also be doing the Dining Car duties! **LET'S DO GOOD!!!**

DIV 6 MEMBERSHIP RULES

With the new Div 6 By-laws approved, here is the "simple" terms of membership -

A) You must be a NMRA member to attend and participate in the monthly meetings, layout tours and Fall Show. If you are not a NMRA member, you are starting a 3 month grace period toward your NMRA membership. If you decide to not join the NMRA, you can still attend meetings as a GUEST. As a guest, you may not vote on anything, but are allowed to participate in show & tell, ask questions and stay for the clinic. After the 3 month grace period, if you are not an NMRA member you will be removed from the newsletter list.

B) As an NMRA member, you can hold office and participate in any voting. If you are a guest, please refrain from voting.

Please remember - this is NOT personal!! Many of you are our friends and will remain friends! These are simply the rules we must abide by to keep our 501C3 status and be part of the NMRA-NCR. And one last rule- Please attend the monthly meetings, share your knowledge and **HAVE FUN!!**

DIV 6 BY-LAWS

Division 6 By-Laws were discussed, one or two minor wording corrections were made and the By-Laws were voted on. The vote results are that the By-laws were **PASSED!!** The final approved version is included with this newsletter.

DIVISION OF CHOICE

Do you live in Oakland County, but attend Div 6 meetings? Then you can become an official Div 6 member!! All you need to do is fill out the DIVISION OF CHOICE form. See a Div 6 Board member for a form. Once filed, you can now vote and hold office in Div 6!

DIV 6 ROSTER UPDATES

Do you want to be in the Div 6 Roster? This is for Div 6 members ONLY! You do not have to participate. If you want to be IN the directory, please call or email ED. We'll publish the directory and have it at the September meeting. Only those IN the directory get a copy.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MICHIGAN RAILROAD CLUB PROGRAMS

October 01, 2014 - MRC Member Mark Cowles.

Meetings are held at the Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan Ave, Dearborn, Mich. Meeting starts at 7 pm with program starting around 7:30 pm. Contact: Kenneth Borg 3512 Merrick, Dearborn, MI 48124

Saturday, September 27, 2014- Mt. Clemens Michigan Train Show St. Louis Social Hall 39140 Ormsby St. Mt. Clemens, MI 48036 10am to 3pm \$3 per person, \$5 per family, children under 12 free Food & Refreshments on site, Barrier Free Access, Free Parking, Hourly Door Prizes, Operating Layouts Contact Information - Carl Hikade 586-463-5184

cdhikade@juno.com or Joe Hiestand 586-924-0499

Sunday, September 28, 2014- Ford Model Railroad Club Train Show St. Sebastian School Gym 3850 Merrick, S. Dearborn HTS., MI 48125 11am to 4pm \$3 per person, \$6 family Food and Refreshments available, Barrier Free Access, Free Parking, Operating Layouts, HO and O gauge Contact Information - John Sanchez 313-268-8598

sanchezart@aol.com

Sunday, October 05, 2014- Ole Toy & Train Show St. Robert Bellarmine School Gym 27201 West Chicago Road Redford, MI 48239 11am -3:30pm \$3 per person, \$6 per family Food & Drink available, Clean Restrooms Contact Information - Brain Klotzer 313-255-0466

MODELING INFO W/LARRY

Larry didn't make the last meeting, so we'll wait for his tips next month! We look forward to more questions and/or tips next month!

DIV 6 REWARDS

When you shop at any Nankin Store and tell them you're a "Div 6" member, or customer #1066, they will apply your purchase to the Div 6 Bonus Plan. Div 6 will get FREE stuff for the Fall Show! Thanks for your purchases.



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DIVISION 6 LAYOUT TOURS

SUNDAY, September 14, 2014

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