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DIVISION 5 — MID CENTRAL REGION — NMRA*



THIS MONTH:

Friday June 4
Div Meeting @ 7:30
Virtual Using Zoom

Monday June 14
BOD Meeting @ 7:30
Virtual Using Zoom

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Super Reflections June 2021

Survey Results

The survey results are in. We had 33 of our 57 members provide feedback on when they would be comfortable going back to in-person meetings and what other activities they are okay with. Thank you to everyone that took the survey. Two thirds of the members are ready now to start holding in-person meetings. The vast majority of you were okay with having an outdoor in-person meeting, the outdoor movie night, and the Division picnic. The Painesville Railroad Museum has said they are willing to work with us to hold in-person meetings there and to have the Division picnic there. Bill Osborne said he will be ready to host outdoor movie nights in either July or August. The Division 5 BOD will be meeting to determine how we are going to proceed from here.

Still Looking For Meeting Programs

As usual, no one has offered to provide a program for our upcoming meetings. We will look at either using some clinic material from the NMRA library or see if we can have someone from another Division provide a clinic virtually during a Zoom meeting. If we start meeting in-person sometime soon, we may not have the ability to do a clinic via Zoom. It will depend on the quality of the internet connection wherever we end up meeting.

It's That Time Of Year

With nice weather comes yard work, lots of yard work. After working out in the yard for 4 to 8 hours, I don't really feel like doing any work on the layout in the evening. So, during this time of year, my model railroad work pretty much comes to a screeching halt unless there are a lot of

rainy days. On the other hand, I do like going to train shows and yard sales this time of year to find things to use on the layout or to decorate the railroad room. I excitedly went to the Ohio N-scale Weekend in Columbus, OH on May 15 with great expectations. This was the first real train show I had been to for a year and a half. I took a pocketful of cash, hoping to find some treasures and stimulate the economy. Unfortunately, I came home with most of that cash still in my pocket. There were a lot fewer dealers at the show than in past years and those that were there didn't have the items I was looking for. The space normally taken up by the missing dealers was filled with layouts, so there were things to see. But overall, I was disappointed. I am really looking forward to Division 4's show in Berea, OH on October 2-3.

My Past Month Modeling Work

Other than assembling a few etched brass kits as part of the clinic I put on for the May program, I really haven't been doing much on the railroad. When I do spend a little time in the basement, I am mainly focusing on cleaning things up. I would at least like to get things cleaned up enough that I can spend some time taking pictures. I like to take a bunch of pictures of the layout every year to record the progress on the railroad. When you only spend 20 to 30 minutes working on the layout every couple of days, you don't think you are getting much done. But when you go back and look at last year's pictures, you realize that you are making progress. It provides encouragement to keep working at it.

Please join us for our June 4th online meeting. See you down the line.

Matt

MEETINGS & EVENTS

UPCOMING DIVISION 5 MEETINGS

(DIVISION 5 MEETINGS START AT 7:30)

LOCATION: VIRTUAL USING ZOOM

JUNE 4, 2021 DIVISION MEETING

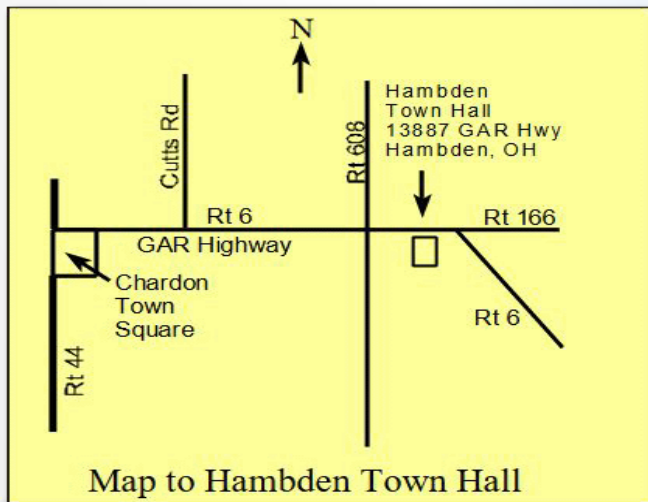
LOCATION: VIRTUAL USING ZOOM

PROGRAM: TBD

BRING/BRAG: ANYTHING GOES

JUNE 14, 2021 BOD MEETING

LOCATION: VIRTUAL USING ZOOM



Map to Hambden Town Hall

UPCOMING Events

(SEE ATTACHED FLYERS IN TRAINWIRE FOR COMPLETE DETAILS FOR MOST EVENTS OR GO TO WWW.CLEVESHOWS.COM)

Obviously with everything being the way it is right now it is important to confirm if an event listed will actually be held.

June 5 Model Train Flea Market

Painesville Railroad Museum
 475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077
 10:00 am to 3:00 pm Adm. Free
 Phone: 216-470-5780
 Donations Accepted and Appreciated

June 5,6 Railroads in the Park

Lake Farmparks
 8800 Chardon Road, Kirtland, Ohio 44094
 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
 Phone: 440-639-7275
 Adm: Farmpark Admission Applies

July 11 Hobo Day

Model Train Flea Market
 Painesville Railroad Museum
 475 Railroad Street, Painesville, Ohio
 10:00 am to 3:00 pm Adm. Free
 Phone: 216-470-5780
 Donations Accepted and Appreciated

July 24 Wildwood Train Day

Wildwood Cultural Center
 7645 Little Mountain Rd, Mentor, Ohio
 9:00 am to 3:00 pm Adm. \$2.00
 Phone: 440-974-5735

MINUTES

Division 5 Membership Meeting Minutes

May 7, 2021

The May 7, 2021 membership meeting was held online using Zoom. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Superintendent Matt Kross. 15 members and 1 guest were present.

We will once again have an outdoor railroad movie night at Bill Osborne's home, most likely in July. Ohio N-scale weekend May 15-16 in Columbus, OH is still a go.

Painesville Railroad Museum will be having model train flea markets on May 8, June 5, and July 11.

Information for the 2022 tri-region convention in Indianapolis, IN is now available. The convention name is Indy Junction 2022. You can sign up on their website to get e-mail updates. Information will be provided in the Div 5 Trainwire as we receive it.

Lakeland Community College is starting to open up some. They have an outdoor rock concert scheduled for June. We should be able to have Railfest 2022 there in March.

Always looking for program ideas and especially for people to put on a program at the meeting. We will look at using some of the NMRA's EduTrain clinics.

Items For the Good of the Order:

Mike Carovac recently saw some old hopper cars being carried upside down on flat cars, most likely to be scrapped.

The railroad yard that can be seen from I-271 is now a maintenance yard.

Bring 'n' Brag: Mike Rudder Matt Kross Bill Berger

Program: Matt Kross provided a cline on assembling etched brass kits

Submitted by
Matt Kross – Div 5 Clerk



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming 2021 Events

Besides a number of smaller train shows in the area, the following model railroading related events are currently on the schedule for 2021. As always, during the pandemic, they are subject to cancellation.

Railroads In The Parks – June 5,6 – Lake County Farmpark and Penitentiary Glen

Painesville RR Museum Model Train Flea Market – June 5

Painesville RR Museum Hobo Day and Model Train Flea Market – July 11

Div 5 outdoor movie night in July or August

Div 5 picnic in August

Painesville RR Museum Railroad Memorabilia show – August 29

Assist Painesville Railroad Museum with their Boy Scout Railroading merit badge workshop – September?

Div 4 Great Berea Train Show – October 2,3 – Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds

Div 5 “How To Build A Model Railroad” Day 2021 – November – Painesville RR Museum?

Farmpark Country Lights – December

New Event Cancellations

The 2021 N-scale Weekend in Altoona, PA scheduled for August has been cancelled because they were not able to secure a suitable venue for the event.

June Meeting Program

June Program – unknown at this time

Future Meeting Program Ideas?

We are always looking for program ideas. If you have some model railroad technique that you would really like to have explained or want to know about some area of prototype railroading, send your thoughts to Super@mcr5.org or call Matt at 440-668-9462. At the April meeting, we watched a fallen flags video on the Nickel Plate Railroad which most people found very interesting. Do you have an old or obscure video that would have wide appeal to the Division members that we haven't seen before? Then let us know and we could consider showing it in its entirety or some portion of it during a meeting.



DISPATCH

NMRA Dispatch emails will be short announcements of important and time-sensitive information that cannot wait for publication in the *NMRA Magazine* or *eBulletin*.

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NEWS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE April 11, 2021

Dates: Wednesday May 18 to Sunday May 22, 2022

NEXT YEAR NEXT YEAR NEXT YEAR

Sponsors: Midwest, North Central and Mid Central Regions National Model Railroad Association

Event: Indy Junction 2022 Convention

Location: Indianapolis Marriott East 7202 East 21st St Indianapolis, IN 46219

Convention Fee: \$ (not yet available)

Information: Four Full Days, Three Regions, One Convention The Midwest, North Central, and Mid Central Regions of the NMRA will host this Tri-Regional convention in May 2022

Clinics, Layout Tours, Ops Sessions, Prototype Tours, Non-Rail Clinics and Activities and a Train Show

Mark your calendar NOW FREE Parking and Much More !

For more information visit:

Website: <https://www.indyjunction2022.org/>Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/indyjunction2022>Contact info@indyjunction2022.org**BUSINESSES ACCEPTING DIVISION 5 CERTIFICATES**

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Willoughby, Ohio

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The Painesville Railroad Museum

Painesville, Ohio

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WANTED

The Trainwire is always looking for an interesting article. If you have taken a trip lately, seen something interesting trackside, have a particular viewpoint on a railroad subject or just want to participate in the members profile; then we want to hear from you. Everyone wants to be kept current on division information, but we all enjoy an interesting article written by a member of this organization. So take your pictures and write your article and send them to the Editor by email.

NOTICE

I work on the Trainwire throughout the month and publish it around the 20th. If you absolutely need something in the next Trainwire issue please send it as soon as possible or let me know to hold space for you. Many times space allotted for certain items may already be spoken for. However, if you send items in early I can rearrange the format. Also when items are submitted I will inform you that I received them and when to look for them in the Trainwire.

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