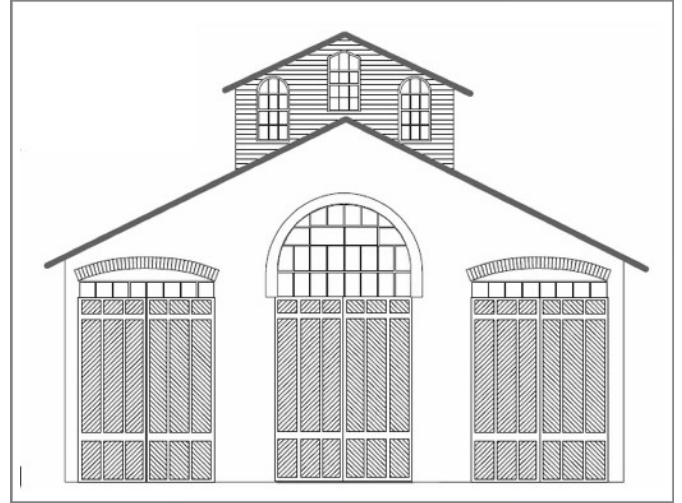


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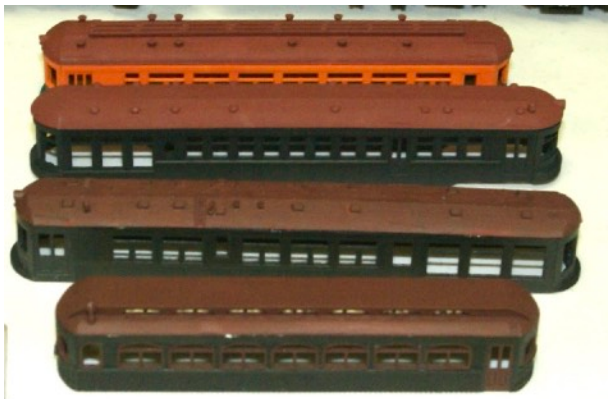
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SHOW & TELL - June 2022 - Traction Models & Memorabilia

(Photos by the editor, unless otherwise noted)



Fred Cosgrove acquired 3-D models by Eric Diehl. All prototype cars operated on Michigan railways in the 1910s. The longest carbody a 1914 Brill, at 66'10". The arched window car is a 51' Nile/Stephenson built in 1908.



Larry Wolohon, MMR, displayed an O Scale GN Y-1 electric, in brass. Larry also displayed a DSR insignia shield worn by employees. (No photo)



Jerry Shanek brought his 1/32 Scale MTH model of the UP Big boy #4014. He is working to repair the broken bell bracket



Phil Kenyon displayed three trolleys. A Cincinnati PCC; A Chicago PeterWitt; and a Brill coach and trailer.



John Jackson has removed unneeded stockyard from his industrial layout. He bought new turnouts for his new “raw materials” tracks. His layout will be part of our next open-house on August 14.



Terry Cummins built a diorama of “Cedarville Junction” in N Scale, illuminating the whole block with LED strips from Micro Center, cutable into needed lengths. He printed building interiors from internet sources. The movie theatre has sequencing lights on the marquee.

Tony Britsky has built a traction helix. He has a steeple cab “cleaning” car that he is attempting to make operational with NWSL drive. (Via Zoom, no photos.)

Paul Runyon displayed a Cincinnati PCC car (yellow), retired in 1950 (Via Zoom, no photos)

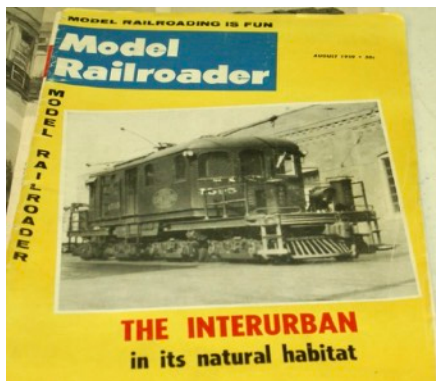


Jim Zinser, MMR, remembers childhood rides on these DSR PCC cars. This model by Corgi.



Mike Tranquilla has three street cars. The Birney (green car) will be converted into a diner. One of the San Francisco cable cars will be converted into a doodlebug, the other is a spare if needed.

John Gavasso also brought a green Bachman Brill Trolley. A third green car was photographed but the modeler was not identified.



Tim Fisher found an article in August 1959 Model Railroader about scratch building traction models in 1/4" Scale.



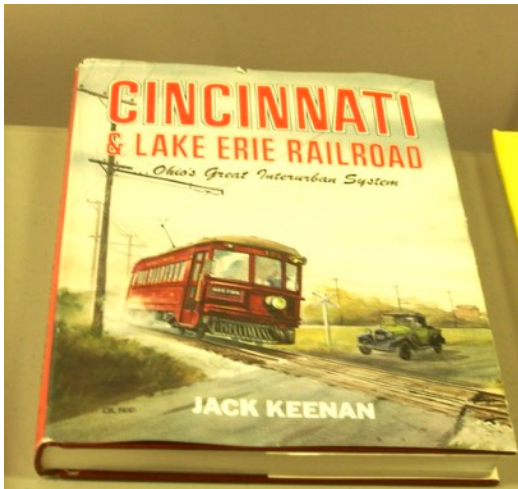
Dan Lewis, MMR, has two N Scale "Little Joes" that ran in the electrified section of the MILW in Montana. One model is brass, the other is 3-D printed.



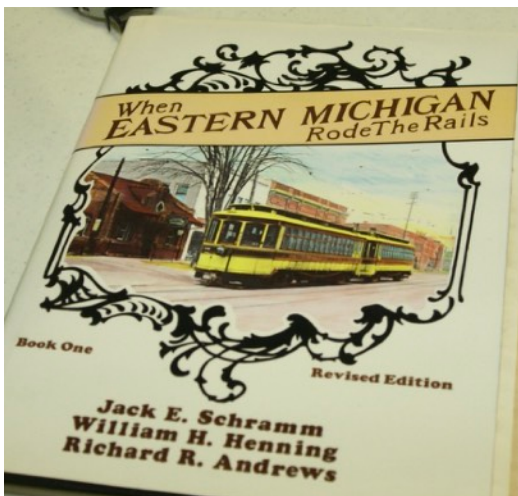
John Racey brought his Fairbanks Trainmaster (S Scale) with deadrail by S-Cab. The battery will recharge while running if track has 6+ volt supply. He demonstrated the locomotive on the test track.



Greg Rich, MMR, modified the Bar-Mills "majestic Hardware" kit to fit on his railroad. He added the porch roof and hatch for loading/unloading to the 2nd floor.



Dave Thornton showed three histories of Ohio Interurban lines: The Cincinnati & Lake Erie; Lake Shore Electric; and the Columbus, Delaware and Marion.



Curt Danielewicz brought his copy of the history, "When Eastern Michigan Rode the Rails."

George Anderson displayed the book "Trail Blazers of Transportation" via Zoom.



Ron King, MMR, has completed his kit-bash of FM Erie Built PRR A-B units in O Scale. He started with Rivarossi "C" Liners to make the units with DCC, modeled as they appeared in 1947. (Photo by Ron King, MMR)



Ken Scherer is building a new layout, which will be open as part of our layout tour on August 14. (Photos by Ken)



Kent Aughe purchased this South Shore drawing approximately 50 years ago when he lived in Northwest Indiana. Although he saw and rode these cars often, he does not have any photographs of them or of Little Joes!

INDY JUNCTION 2022 REPORT

Scott Kremer, MMR, Chairman of the Indy Junction 2022 Convention reported about the May convention via Zoom. The total attendance was over 500. Fifty-one layouts were open for tours at no extra charge to all registrants. The numerous clinics were well-attended. The “yard sale” generated \$12,000 in total sales for the sellers. The Train Show drew fewer vendors than hoped, as most vendors concentrate their efforts to on-line sales, rather than traveling to shows and conventions. The participating Regions, the North Central, the Mid Central and the Midwest, plus the Railroad Prototype Modelers all recouped their seed money and additional \$3,400 to each group. From attendance and finances, the Convention was successful.

The NMRA Board has voted to have a National Convention with a 4-day format starting in 2025, from the week-long model that has been in place for many years. Indy Junction 2022 has been successful in presenting a more affordable convention without sacrificing quality and fun!

SUPERINTENDENT’S COLUMN

Greetings to all the Clinton River Division members from the superintendent. I hope this June newsletter finds you well. It was awesome to see so many people in-person at the Division meeting. I hope we continue to see growth, both in-person attendance as well as Zoom to allow members on the physical fringes of the Division and beyond to participate. I'd like to especially welcome some of our newer members that came out for the first time in-person to check out our files on Google Drive to become a mentor or find a mentor. You can register your layout and indicate if you would like to host a division tour or operating session.

A sign-up sheet was available for those interested in operating at Andy Keeney's Nashville Lines and/or Operations Roadshow's Wabash layout this Fall. Surprisingly only one person signed up. We will need a minimum of 6-8 for these op sessions to happen, so please sign up at the July or August meeting. Remember that the plan would be to carpool and split the gas cost among a group of people. Hopefully the lower cost will encourage you to sign up, enjoy a fun time and spend some quality time with your fellow NMRA members!

Best regards,

Curt, CRD superintendent

BUSINESS MEETING ITEMS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **May Car House** approved as written.
- **June Treasurer's report:** \$4,519.70 on hand. No income, no expense. Approved.
- **Operations Sessions** ("Op sessions"): **Andy Keeney** in Lansing and **Operations Road Show** in Saline have invited Clinton River Division members to participate in sessions at mutually agreed times, possibly in September or October. Andy needs 6-8 operators and prefers a Saturday date; Road Show needs 8-10 operators and prefers Sunday. See Superintendent's column for additional information and sign up at the next Division meeting
- **Clinton River Division Summer Layout Tour** will be Sunday, August 14. The layouts of **Bob Scherer, Ken Scherer and John Jackson** will be featured. All three layouts are within three miles of one another in Berkley and Birmingham. Watch for details at the July meeting and July Car House. Thanks to **Dan Lewis, MMR**, for coordinating.
- **Door monitor** at the church for the July meeting is **John Martin** and August meeting is **Jerry Shanek**. The job is easy: be at the church at 6:30 pm, open the door for members and guests until 7:05, leave your cell phone number on the door for late-arrivals and come up to the meeting room. Please consider volunteering for future months. For security reasons, the church door must remain locked at all times. Thanks for helping out the Division and keeping everyone safe.
- The NMRA Turntable is an emailed extra to all members. If you do not receive it, sign up at NMRA.org. The June issue has at least 20 articles, including:
 - "Delving Into Details" by Sam Swanson, MMR.
 - "The Importance of Railway Timetables"
 - Andy Keeney's Nashville Road" (a destination for an op session)
 - "Making Model Railroad Signs"
- Two modelers donated materials and are **offering them to Div 8 members**. Contact Marv Linke at marv15559@gmail.com if interested. Items are not to be sold for profit. Photos of items at <https://photos.app.goo.gl/uGAsCY6Es645TW3S7>
- **P & D Hobby Shop** on Groesbeck Road is closing July 31. Many items are discounted 30% to 60%.

- **MASTER MODEL RAILROADERS** in attendance in June: **Ron King, Dan Lewis, Greg Rich, Larry Wolohon, and Jim Zinser.**
- **Visitors and first-timers: Larry Dickinson and August Kalohn** Welcome and come again. We are glad you join us!
- **New Clinton River Division name tags** are here. Order yours at the next meeting at no cost to you!
- **WE WANT YOUR PREFERENCES** - If you haven't completed questionnaires about layout tours and operating sessions, please go to <https://forms.gle/674ZbeZyXzaicvg39>. To complete the questionnaire about clinics, go to <https://forms.gle/nHHAnSxa9WN9bPQH6>
- **The Mentor/Mentee file (give help/receive help)** is at https://drive.google.com/file/d/195MkOSzCIIO4pfcGtM4LcnI-sIExBw2_/view?usp=sharing
- The private **Clinton River Division Facebook group** at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/288929175921717/>
- **Fred Cosgrove** presented an interesting introduction to Traction modeling. Lots of great photos of prototype and model cars and equipment and history of the large interurban systems of years gone by. Thanks for your clinic, Fred.

SCHEDULES

For more information, contact the organization listed. We do not have further details. Obviously, schedules are subject to change. Check with the venue before the event.

July 21 - Clinton River Division Monthly Meeting, 7:00 pm
at Troy Christian Chapel

August 14 - Clinton River Division Summer Layout Tour,
details to be announced at the July meeting and in the Car House

August 18 - Clinton River Division Monthly Meeting, 7:00 pm
at Troy Christian Chapel

NMRA Announces Membership Fee Adjustment

With renewals and new memberships, the yearly fee is \$68, with the digital delivery of the NMRA Magazine. The fee with the print edition is \$82. All members will continue to receive print editions of the magazine until their next renewal. The current magazine digital editions are available and easy to read. You must sign up for the digital edition. See the nmra.org website for instructions.

JULY 2022 MEETING

**Live at Troy Christian Chapel and on ZOOM
Thursday, July 21, 2022, 7:00 pm**

**Show and Tell Topic:
BOXCARS or CURRENT PROJECTS**

**Clinic Topic:
Larry Wolohon on BOXCARS**

We will send you notice of the meeting and the ZOOM code a few days before the meeting. Please look in your SPAM folder if you don't receive it timely. Don't ask, I have no idea why some providers think I am SPAM!

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NEXT MEETING - Live and ZOOM

July 21, 2022 - Thursday at 7:00 pm

TROY CHRISTIAN CHAPEL

Second Floor Meeting Room (use parking lot door and stairway just inside the door. There is also an elevator in the lobby if you prefer)

400 E. LONG LAKE ROAD, TROY, MI

See you there! Same Time, Same Place, Third Thursday, Every Month

**Thanks for your membership, support and participation in person
at Troy Christian Chapel or in the Zoom meetings.**