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Color and Snow! Double MACs lead CSX L303 Eastbound, over the Grand River in Grand Ledge Michigan on the first snowy mid afternoon of the Fall. Some leaves with color are still on the trees along the riverbank

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Please send any articles for the January Flatwheel to:

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by December 26th

Thank You

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## Calendar of Events Upcoming Activities & Celebrations

#### **December**

- NMRA Division 4 Business Meeting- December 12<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm
- Cleveland Zoo (Module Group)
- This month's model/ display is Advertising on Rail Cars



- Christmas December 25
- New Year's Eve December 31

#### January

• Happy New Year-January 1st



- Awards appreciation Dinner January 9<sup>th</sup>-6pm
- Great Train Show/ Ohio Expo Center Columbus- January 10<sup>th</sup>- 11th
- Springfield Train Show- Amhurst Mass. -January 24<sup>th</sup> & 25th



## WHEN & WHERE WE MEET

The North Coast Division holds 10 meetings a year (none in July and August). Meetings are on the **2nd Friday of each** 

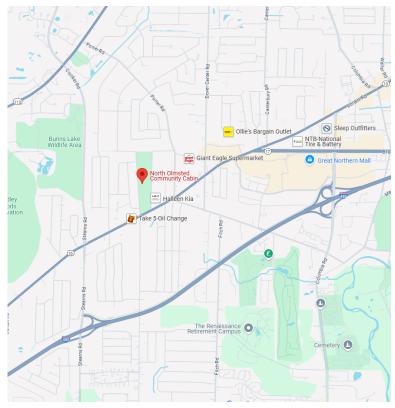
month. A set up/social half hour starts at 6:30 p.m. followed by a short business meeting at 7:00. After a short break, a railroad themed raffle and clinic complete the typical agenda. Starting January, 2025, the meetings are held at the **North Olmsted Community Cabin**, 28114 Lorain Rd, North Olmsted, OH 44070. Visitors are welcome to attend any meeting.

The Division's newsletter, *The Flatwheel* is published monthly (except during July and August) by Division 4 of the Mid-Central Region (MCR) of the National Model Railroad Association (NMRA). All comments are welcome.

Views expressed in *The Flatwheel* do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the NMRA, MCR, or Division 4.

**The Flatwheel** is typically electronically published no later than the Monday preceding the monthly meeting. **Submissions are due no later than the 26th of the prior month**, for example, August 26th for the September *Flatwheel*.

Unaccredited photos courtesy of the editor or staff photographer Dave Williams.



## GREETINGS FROM THE CAB

Greetings from the cab.

Wishing the membership a Merry Christmas.

T-7 and counting until the Dayton Regional Convention. I registered today and offered to help out at the convention. Early bird registration is \$65.00. I am looking forward to a good time in Dayton.

If you have not signed up for the Div. 4 Awards Dinner, please do so at the December's meeting.

The election committee has at least one person signed up for all positions. It is not too late to submit your name for one of the officer or director's positions. Great way to serve the division. Just see a member of the committee.

The modules are on display at the Cleveland Metroparks Zoo during the month of December. If you can help operate during this time, please contact Adam Woodie.

There will be a lot of discussion in the future months about the National Organization on rebranding the organization. We know that a new logo has been presented by National and it is to be used on all national, regional, and division websites, newsletter, regional and national publication 's, advertisements, and products. Can't wait to see how this works out.

Well, the train is pulling into the yard and another run is over.

That's all I have for this month.

Ron



Ron Morgan

## **Meeting Minutes**

#### Division 4, MCR, NMRA, Business Meeting November 14. 2025, North Olmsted Cabin

Superintendent, Ron Morgan opened the meeting at 7:01 pm. He asked for new members and visitors to please stand and introduce themselves. Leon Lavdas and Craig Jones are both new members.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the previous meeting to be approved. The Division carried the motion and the minutes of the previous meeting are approved.

Treasurer, Greg Noeth gave a report on the balances of all accounts.

#### **Old Business:**

Dayton Regional Convention - Ron Morgan - The Convention will be held in June of 2026. Committee is planning and getting things rolling.

National Convention - Ron Morgan - Chattanooga, TN make sure to try and attend.

#### **New Business:**

Election of Officers - Ron Morgan - Mark Pekelnicky has stepped up to be the Chairperson of the Election Committee. Ron Mc Kee and Dave Williams are also on the Committee. If interested in running to serve as an officer or Director see one of them and let them know.

Annual Budget - Ron Morgan - Ron told us the Budget Committee met and went over line by the line. It is all exactly the same as last year with a 10% increase. There will be a Board of Directors later this month to go over Budget and then it will be presented to the Membership at the December Meeting.

Membership Appreciation Dinner - Bert Wisbar - the dinner will be held at Aviator Restaurant on Brookpark RD. The date is January 9th, time 6:30 pm. Sign up is up front with Bert and the cost is \$25.00 per person.

It was reported that Art Bumpus is still in the nursing home and has an upcoming knee surgery.

Member Operation Schedule - Mark Pekelnicky - There are a bunch of layout owners willing to Host Operation Sessions. Hoping to have everything set up for March 14th & 15th. There will be a sign up on line. This is open for Experienced and Newbie Operators.

## Meeting Minutes

Training Event Schedule- Jerry Kruger - The Training Event from October 25th had 10 members in attendance. They worked on cars for about 6 hours. The next Training Event will be on January 17th at Strongsville Library. Tey will be working on weathering from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm. Look at the Flat Wheel for Cool Events that Jerry has put in.

Working on Any Cool Projects - John Hemsath, MMR - brought his current project in and it's over on the side table to be viewed.

Sign-Up for Membership Table at Kirkland Train Show - Craig Butler - If you are willing to work our membership table at Division 5's Train Show in Kirkland, let Craig know or sign up with him. He needs a count to turn in for badges. It is March 21st and 22nd. The shifts are 2 hours longs.

#### **Committee Reports:**

Flat Wheel Deadline - Ron Morgan - articles are due on November 26th to Don.

Clinics - Jerry Kruger - Tonight is Dave Williams on building and detailing. December is Bram Bailey on RVC's. Looking for presenters for February on out.

Company Store - Scott Benson - None

Raffle - Adam Woodie - nice prizes over here, come buy your tickets. Winners will be called 10 minutes after the close of meeting.

HO Module Scale Group - Adam Woodie - Wild Winter Lights set up at the zoo is Sunday, November 16th at 9:30 am. Opening Night is Thursday, November 20th. Hours have changed this year. Those working need to be there at 4:00 pm to clean the tracks. Trains should be running 5:00 to 9:00 pm. We will run Thursdays thru Sundays until closer to Christmas then it's every night. Please sign up for times to work.

N-Scale Module Group - Ramhog Shearer - had a great time at the Great Berea Train Show. Ram had a sign made to put on the N-Scale layout. He will have a layout at Trees and Trains which will be held this year in the Ariel Broadway Hotel.

AP Awards - John Hemsath, MMR - Mark Pekelnicky has received 117 points out of 125 on his model cars.

Great Berea Train Show - No Report

## **Meeting Minutes**

Contest - Joe Filipiak - October's Wood Industry Load winners are as follows:

Model	1st	Rick Tall
	2nd	Joe Kurilec, MMR
	3rd	Ken Orchard

Diorama 1	st	Joe Filipiak
2	nd	John Puch
3	rd	

December's Contest is Rail Car Advertising a Product.

Joe then gave us advice on how to keep ABC fire extinguishers good for a longer time.

Comments/Concerns - Frank Bongiovanni - The Libran from New York Central Historical Society has been going through things at Head Quarters. He has brought in some Modeling Magazines. They are in the back, please help yourself.

Gary Schaefer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ramhog Shearer seconded the motion. The Division carried the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

This meeting has reached it's final destination,

Chris Shick

Secretary, Division 4, MCR, NMRA



Chris Shick



Jim Grell



Bram Bailey



Ken Orchard



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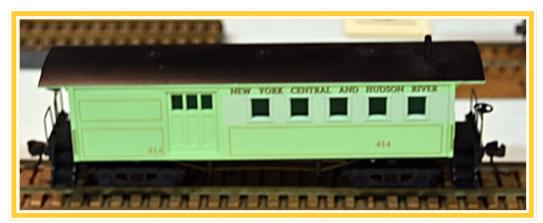
Craig Butler



Craig Butler



John Hemsath



Dave Williams



Steve Riddlebaugh



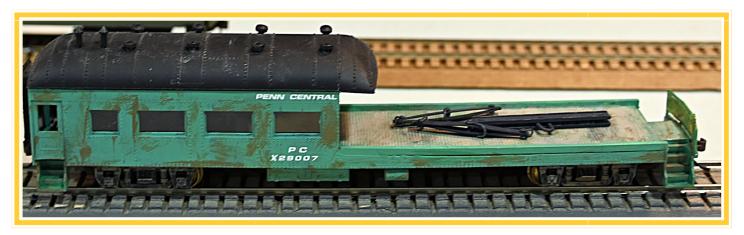
Jim Rafferty



Frank B



Joe Kurilec, MMR



Brian Haas



George Gelehter



Joe Filipiak



Dave Lawler



John Puch

## NORTH COAST OHIO

## DIV-4 Leadership

#### **ELECTED OFFICERS**

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#### **APPOINTED POSITIONS**

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N Scale T-Track - Ramhog Shearer, Ramhog 5@aol.com

## **MODULE GROUP**

Greetings Fellow Model Railroaders!

The holiday season is upon us which means it is the busy time of the year for the modular group. We are once again set up at the Wild Winter Lights located at the Cleveland Metropark Zoo. This is our 7th consecutive year participating in this event. Opening night was Thursday, November 20th and will continue through Tuesday, December 30th.

Be sure to come on out and see us at any of the upcoming events. As always, anyone interested in joining the module group, please contact me at woo3482@hotmail.com.

Until next time!

Adam "Hot Box" Woodie



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## **COMPANY STORE**

#### Company Store

We still have the Division 4 convention cars (Accurail 40' boxcar) for sale. These are lettered for the Cleveland, Sandusky and Southern Railroad (the modular layout railroad).



Also available at \$25 each:

The Division 7 Accurail N&W 2-bay covered hopper (3 available, different #'s)



#### Reminders:

The Company Store also manages:

- Shirt and hat sales let me know if you want to order a Division 4 shirt.
- FastTracks jig loans always helpful if I know before the meeting if you'd like to check one out. We have (all Code 83) #4, #6 and #8 turnouts, cross-over/double cross-over, and gantlet jigs
- DVD library lots of nice DVDs on modelling techniques available to borrow at each meeting



Scott Benson

## **CONTEST TABLE**

The November Contest rail yard was pretty full with all the entries for the model section. There were fifteen entries which ran the range from standard combine cars to those that challenged what we thought a combine car should look like. There were cars pretty much straight from the box all the way to customized cars like Craig Butler's B&O combine that had over thirty hours of work put into it. We had four members who submitted their first entry of the season in this contest. Thank you to all who entered a model or diorama in the November contest. The models that got the most attention were entered by Joe Kurilec with a first place, Bram Bailey with second place, and Brian Haas with a third place. The diorama entries found John Puch in first place with his Pennsy combine parked by an industrial building. Joe Filipiak's lumber company came in second place with Dave Lawler's entry coming in third place.

We have something different this year. We will have a December contest because our dinner has been moved to January. The December contest is to bring in a rail car that advertises a product or its manufacturer. Examples are cars lettered for Pillsbury, Ford, Swift, Coors and many more that are or have been on the rails. Let us see what you can come up with and to make it even more interesting, try to find cars with the not so familiar names like, Georgia Kaolin. Georgia Kaolin is something that most of us have consumed at one time or another. I will give you the answer at the next meeting. January has no contest so I will see you at dinner. February's contest is "Project 20" which is a small passenger station not to exceed a 20 square inch foot print. That is HO size. Twice that, 40 square inches, if you are building in O scale or 10 square inches for N. You S scalers can figure it out on your own.

I would like to take this time to wish all of you a happy Thanksgiving and remember fellows, when your wife gives you the bird, you're supposed to take it to the table and carve it up, don't forget to pass the gravy.



Joe Filipiak

### **CLINICS**

#### **DECEMBER**

Bram Bailey is back to present December's clinic. The clinic is called "The Budd RDC Story". It explains how the Budd Company envisioned a better doodle bug, how they designed it, what they offered, how they function. The production phases are explored. We discuss some of the special cars they built as well as some of the modifications made to standard cars by the railways that owned them. I will also cover the various HO models available. Bram's clinics are always interesting, well researched and well presented.

#### **JANUARY**

Remember, the annual Awards Banquet and been moved from December to January. There will be no formal clinic in January

#### **FUTURE CLINICS**

I'm always looking for Clinics. I'm currently looking for clinics to schedule for the February 2026 and beyond. If you have a topic you'd like to present please contact me. If you need help putting a clinic together, let me know and I can help you put one together and help get points toward your AP certificate. If you have a topic you would like to see presented, let me know.

#### Jerry Krueger



### RAFFLE

Greetings Fellow Model Railroaders!

November's monthly business had another great raffle as always. December will just as fun. Be sure to stop by and purchase your tickets before the start of the monthly business meeting. Winning tickets will be drawn after the conclusion of said meeting. As always, there is something for everyone!

Mark you calendars for the Annual Awards Banquet scheduled for Friday, January 9, 2026. Part of the festivities includes a huge raffle. Several high value prizes will be up for grabs such as Wathers Gift Corticates, New Locomotives, Muli-Car Sets, Gift Baskets, and so much more! Be sure to sign up for the banquet at the December Business Meeting.

Until next time!

Adam "Hot Box" Woodie



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## NMRA Division 4 Elections WE NEED YOU!

The upcoming **NMRA Division 4 election** is right around the corner, and we're calling on dedicated members like YOU to volunteer. Whether you're passionate about model railroading, eager to shape the future of our Division, or simply need some achievement volunteer points, this is your chance to make a difference.

#### Positions Available

- Superintendent
- Assistant Superintendent
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- 5 Director positions

Interested volunteers please contact Mark Pekelnicky at <a href="mailto:mpekelnicky@gmail.com">mpekelnicky@gmail.com</a> or 440-409-9770.

## **Fall Layout Tours**

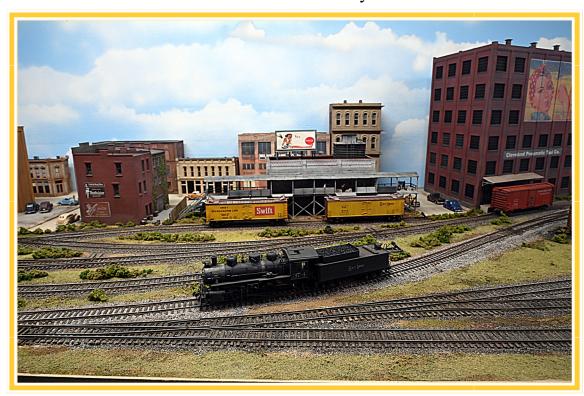
Bruce Bowie's - East Broad Top

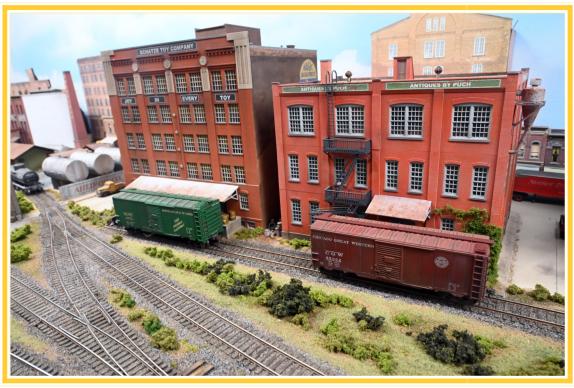




## **Fall Layout Tours**

John Hemsath - MMR - Bay Lines II





# NMRA Division 4 Awards & Appreciation Dinner

## At The Aviator Restaurant located at 20920 Brookpark Rd. Cleveland, Ohio 44135

#### January 9, 2026 | Celebrating the Tracks We've Laid

All aboard for an unforgettable evening as NMRA Division 4 hosts its annual Awards and Appreciation Dinner — a night dedicated to the passion, craftsmanship, and camaraderie that fuel our model railroading community.

#### **8** Honoring Excellence in Model Railroading

From masterful layouts to ingenious scratch builds, this is our moment to recognize the artistry and dedication that make Division 4 shine. Awards will be presented to those who've gone the extra mile — whether through mentorship, innovation, or simply keeping the trains running on time.

#### A Night of Fellowship and Festivity

Join fellow hobbyists, friends, and family for a warm evening of celebration. Enjoy a delicious dinner, share stories from the rails, and raise a glass to the builders, dreamers, and doers who make our division extraordinary.

#### **8** Recognizing the Heart of the Hobby

This year's honorees represent the best of what model railroading stands for — creativity, precision, and community. Whether you're a seasoned veteran or a newcomer laying your first track, this night is for you.

#### Let's Celebrate Together

Mark your calendars for January 9th, 2026. Come dressed to impress, bring your enthusiasm, and prepare for a night of inspiration, appreciation, and maybe even a few surprises. The rails may be miniature, but the impact is monumental.

The cost for the evening is \$25.00 per person. Please sign up at the NMRA meetings or email me at bert.wisbar@gmail.com so you can be added to the list.

# NMRA Division 4 Awards & Appreciation Dinner

#### NMRA Award and Appreciation Dinner



#### MENU

#### Appetizer

#### FROM THE MARKET







An array of whole and fresh <u>cut market</u> vegetables dramatically displayed with creamy vegetable dip.

#### THE CHEESE SHOW







Showcasing Cheeses from Around the World, Served with Pickled Vegetables, Jams & Mustards, Assorted Breads, and Crackers.

# NMRA Division 4 Awards & Appreciation Dinner

#### MAÍN MEAL

Fresh Baked Ciabatta Roll + Sweet Butter

Soaring House Salad + House Aged Balsamic or Creamy

Ranch Dressing



Herb Lemon Chicken

Roasted Salmon Dijon Dill Cream



Prime Rib of Beef

Rigatoni with Marinara



**Broccolini with Capers & Roasted Garlic** 



The Aviator 20920 <u>Brookpark</u> Rd. Cleveland, OH 44135

6 PM - 10 PM

## Golden Spike Work Session





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#### **NEXT SESSION**

The next work session is tentatively scheduled for January 17, 2025, at the Strongsville Branch of the Cuyahoga Public Library. The Branch Meeting Rooms are excellent. The meeting rooms are fully equipment with drop down screen, LCD project, computer with internet access, audio system, tables, chairs and electrical outlets.

The January work session will be a hands-on weathering clinic. The clinic will show various weathering techniques from simple washes to use of oil and acrylic paints and use of weathering powders. Attendees are asked to bring 4-5 various pieces of rolling stock to work on and prototype photos of each type of rolling stock they bring. The photo does not need to match the road name and number of the model but should be similar and represent the look the member wants to achieve.

We're still working out the details of the supplies needed, but as with the previous work session, a list of supplies needed will be provided.

Again, this is a great opportunity to set aside some time to learn new skills (which is the mission of the NMRA), have dedicated modeling time and to get know your fellow Division 4 members a little better.

If you would like to attend, please contact Jerry Krueger at jktrains@yahoo.com . As with prior sessions, attendance will be limited.



## **Road Tripping**

Jerry Krueger

A discussion item over the summer was how to increase opportunities for Division members and increase member participation outside of monthly Division 4 meetings. One way to do this is to make members aware of other model railroad activities. While the Division cannot provide transportation to these events, we encourage members to carpool and coordinate travel to them.

#### YOUNGSTOWN MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION OPEN HOUSE.

Dates: December 6 & 7, December 13 & 14

The YMRRA is located in a former church. It has two large layouts. On the first floor is a large 2 rail O scale layout. The basement houses their large HO layout. Both layouts are impressive to see, especially the O scale. If you have never been there, you should go. Contact Jerry Krueger at <a href="mailto:jktrains@yahoo.com">jktrains@yahoo.com</a> if interest. YMRA Home

#### NORTH CENTRAL REGION DIVISION 1 – 2026 SPRING MODELERS MEET

Our friends in the northwest corner of Ohio have their annual 1-day modelers meet on April 18, 2026 in Sylvania, OH. This is close enough to drive to in the morning, attend some clinics, display models and return home the same day. If interested, more information can be found on their website: 2026 Spring Railroad Modeler Meet – Hosted by the Black Swamp Division (Div. 1) of the North Central Region (NCR), NMRA

#### MCR KEYSTONE DIVISION (DIV 2) – MODEL RAILROAD JAMBOREE

Our friends in Division 2 in the Pittsburgh area hold their annual Jamboree on April 18, 2016 at Community College of Allegheny County – Boyce Campus at 595 Beatty Rd, Monroeville, PA 15146. Registration is \$50 and includes continental breakfast and lunch buffet. The dinner banquet is additional cost. Activities include clinics, contests, door prizes. Displays and white elephant sale.

Jamboree 2026

#### OTHER DIVISION'S MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Remember, as an NMRA member you can attend any division's meetings. If you are traveling, find the local division on the NMRA website and see if their meeting, or another event, overlaps your travel plans. MCR Divisions 1, 2, 5, 6 and 12 and all easy to drive too. Many meet on a Saturday or Sunday. Most have layout tours that if contacted would be willing to give our members information to participate.

## N Scale T-Track Ramhog Shearer

This year 2025 there will only be N Scale T-Trak layout @ Trees & Trains

Trees & Trains @ Ariel Broadway Hotel 301 Broadway Lorain, Oh 44052 this year starting Saturday, November 29th to Friday, January 9th.

I will be providing this year N Scale train layout for Div4. If you would like to come and join us and run your trains come join us.

Event days are Friday, Saturday 5pm to 9pm and Sunday 3pm to 7pm, 3 days a week.

Sincerely,

Ramhog Shearer (216)-225-6133 Ramhog5@aol.com



### N Scale T-Track

**Ramhog Shearer** 



## N Scale T-Track Ramhog Shearer





## **Division 4 Ops Session Weekend**

Save the date! March 14th & 15th!

More details to come.



## What's On Your Workbench

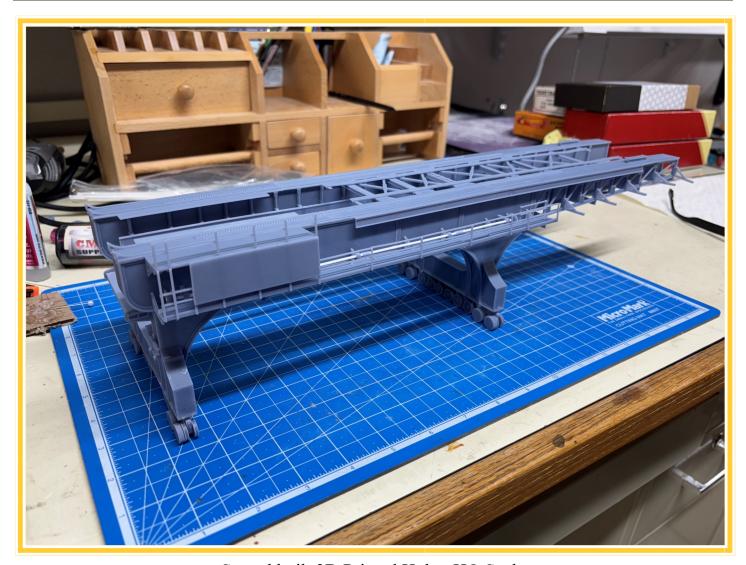


Durango Press Overhead Crane # DP-72

This kit is very special to me as it was a project Bill Cramer (D) was working on when we "played trains". The kit comes with a lot of very good castings. Instruction are well done.

Joe Kurilec, MMR®

## What's On Your Workbench



Scratchbuilt 3D Printed Hulett HO Scale

I am making progress on my Scratchbuilt 3D Printed Hulett. Assembly is coming along slowly. Starting to assemble the walking platforms and stairs and railings. Hope to print the trolly which rides on top soon.

Don Oleksa

WalthersMainline Electro-Motive Division SD50 diesel locomotive

Price: Direct-current model, \$199.98; with ESU Sound & DCC, \$254.98

**Manufacturer:** Wm. K. Walthers Inc., 5601 W. Florist Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53218; 414-527-0770; walthers.com



#### **Electro-Motive Division SD50 features:**

- Phase II body shell includes molded drill starter points for grab irons
- Detailed HT-C truck sideframes
- See-through step treads
- Proto-Max metal knuckle couplers
- Multiple road numbers per scheme
- Also available undecorated

Release date: Fall 2026

**Road names:** Conrail, CSX, Lake State Railway, Missouri Pacific, Seaboard System, Reading & Northern, and Utah Railway.

ScaleTrains Rivet Counter Electro-Motive Division SD7 and SD9 diesel locomotive

Price: Direct-current model, \$204.99; with ESU LokSound V5 sound decoder, \$304.99

**Manufacturer:** ScaleTrains, 4901 Old Tasso Rd. NE, Cleveland, TN 37312; 844-987-2467; scaletrains.com



#### **Electro-Motive Division SD7 and SD9 features:**

- Prototype-specific details
- Light-emitting-diode lighting
- Semi-scale coupler buffers with metal semi-scale Type E knuckle couplers
- Factory-applied wire grab irons, end ladders, photo-etched lift rings, windshield wipers, train line hoses with silver glad hands, and air tanks with plumbing
- Underbody air filter details
- All-wheel drive and electrical pickup
- Minimum radius, 18"; recommended radius, 22"
   Release date: Available now

**Road names:** SD7 — Great Northern; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy; Southern Pacific (SD7R); and Union Pacific. SD9 — Conrail and Norfolk Southern (SD9M)

Rapido Pacific Car & Foundry Southern Pacific B-100-32 and B-100-34 boxcars

**Price:** Single car, \$59.95; three-car set, \$179.85; six-car set, \$359.70

**Manufacturer:** Rapido Trains Inc., 382 High St., Buffalo, NY 14204; 905-474-3314; rapidotrains.com



#### Pacific Car & Foundry Southern Pacific B-100-32 and B-100-34 boxcar features:

- Separately applied metal grab irons
- Etched-metal crossover platforms
- Scale draft gear with Hydra-Cushion underframe
- Underbody brake rigging
- Rubber air hoses
- Youngstown or Superior doors
- Etched-metal uncoupling levers
- Separate door tracks
- Factory-installed Rapido semi-scale knuckle couplers
- 100-ton trucks with turned metal 36" wheels
- Suggested minimum radius, 18"

Release date: 2026

**Road names:** B-100-32 — Southern Pacific (delivery, faded 1980s+, and ex-Golden West Service), Arizona Eastern (ex-NOKL/SP patchout), Canadian Pacific (Golden West Service), Golden West Service (as-rebuilt), and Northwestern Oklahoma (SP patchout). B-100-34 — Southern Pacific (delivery, faded 1980s+, and ex-Golden West Service), Golden West Service (as-rebuilt), and Northwestern Oklahoma (SP patchout).

WalthersCornerstone modern diesel shop

**Price:** \$74.98

Manufacturer: Wm. K. Walthers Inc., 5601 W. Florist Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53218; 414-527-

0770; walthers.com



#### Modern diesel shop features:

- Contemporary three-bay design
- Rooftop details include HVAC units, vents, and stack
- Interior can accommodate locomotives, shop equipment, or lighting upgrades
- Includes decal sheet with warning stripes and interior floor safety markings
- Measures 10-1/2" x 15-1/2" x 5-9/16"

Release date: Spring 2026

ClassOneModelWorks Electro-Motive Division GP40 diesel locomotive

**Price:** Direct-current model, \$299.99; with DCC and sound, \$399.99

**Manufacturer:** ClassOneModelWorks.com, 8610 NW 107th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64153; 816-243-0044; ClassOneModelWorks.com



#### **Electro-Motive Division GP40 features:**

- Painted and detailed cab interior with separate front wall, floor, back wall, control stand, and seating
- Positionable cab windows
- Cab interior sunshades
- Blomberg trucks with traction motor detail
- Three detailed nine-blade radiator fans
- Detailed underframe with piping, plumbing, cabling, and Salem air filters
- Metal handrails
- Plastic stanchions

Release date: May 2026

**Road names:** Baltimore & Ohio, BNSF Ry., Burlington Northern, Conrail, Denver & Rio Grande Western, Milwaukee Road, Rock Island, and Union Pacific.

## WHAT'S GOING ON

2025

Dec. 6 & 7

Dec. 13 & 14

Olmsted Falls Depot & Model Railroad Museum Annual Christmas Open House

25802 Garfield Ave., Olmsted Falls, OH 44138

Sat. 11 am - 4 pm Sun. 11 am - 4 pm Adm. \$5.00 for adults, kids are free.

2025

Dec. 7th

**Medina Train and Toy Show** 

Medina Fairgrounds, Medina, Ohio 44256 9 am to 3 pm Adm. \$8.00

Phone: 330-948-4400

Info & Map

Flyer

2025

Dec. 7th

**Springfield Train Show** 

Clark County Fairgrouds 4401 South Charleston Pike (State Rt. 41) At I-70 Exit 59 10 am - 3 pm Adm. \$5.00

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2025

Dec. 14th

**Massillon Train & Toy Show** 

K of C Hall, 988 Cherry Rd. NW, Massillon, Ohio 44647 10 am to 3 pm Adm. \$5.00

Phone Jon Ulbright at: 330-262-7488

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2025

Jan. 3rd

**Snow Dog Train Show** 

\* NEW LOCATION \*

Cuyahoga Valley S Gauge Association Emidio & Sons Expo Center, 48 East Bath Road, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44223

10 am to 3 pm Adm.: \$6.00

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2025

Jan. 4th

Youngstown Model Railroad Assn. Toy - Train Flea Market

Parish Center
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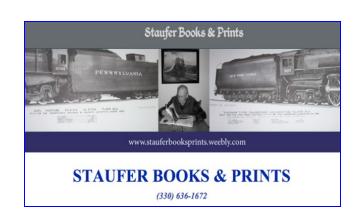
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