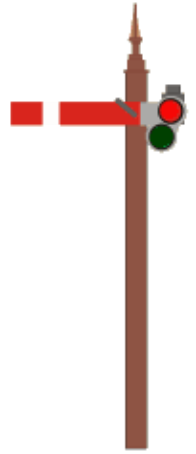


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Our next meeting is on February 7th at 7 PM.

Send comments about and contributions to this newsletter to [editor](#).

Please keep us informed of changes in your address, phone number or email address.



**GORDON FEWSTER WAS THE PRESENTER OF THE CLINIC AT OUR
JANUARY MEETING.**

**SHOWN HERE, ON HIS LAYOUT, ARE A FEW OF THE MODELS HE HAS
PAINTED AND LETTERED.**



NEWS FOR OUR MEMBERS

OUR NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be starting at 7 PM on Thursday February 7th.

Clinic: A secret, find out when you get there.

Synopsis: Come to have fun. **See you there!**

REPORT ON THE LAST MEETING

Company Clerk **Clinton Smoke**, the only officer present, called the meeting to at 7:00 pm.

Clint reported the completion and successful operation of a HO scale model railroad at the Givens Retirement Community in Asheville. The model railroad will be relocated to an empty apartment, and hopefully expanded with a bigger, better, model layout to be on display next Christmas.

He also reported that the Apple Valley Model Railroad Club, located in the Historic Depot in Hendersonville, had a good year with indications of an even better year coming. Projects include:

- A feature article in *Model Railroader Magazine*.
- The construction of a diorama of the Saluda Grade of Southern Railroad to go on display in the Hendersonville Court House in May.
- Construction of additional scratch built models of prominent structures appropriate to the setting of the Apple Valley Model Railroad.

A reminder to all that we have a train show the first weekend in March, All should be planning to be there to help and participate. Those planning to sell items should be getting them organized. Inventory sheets are on the [last page](#) or at the next meeting, those wishing to sell items in the Company Store need to fill out this form prior to our show.

He reported that **Troy Carroll** had called, reported that his wife was sick, and thus unable to attend. He reminded all that dues are due.

Our visitor **Aaron McKinzie**, is an active member with the French Broad E'N'pire Model Railroad Club in Hendersonville. Aaron introduced himself and reported on his club's activities. Their club has recently relocated to spaces near the Hendersonville Depot, thus providing two clubs with walking distance. This arrangement is expected to increase the visitation to both model railroads.

He recognized **Charlie Krug** who reported on a recent trip New York where he visited a G-Scale model railroad that included among its scenic features some of New York City's famous landmarks, e.g., the Brooklyn Bridge and the Statue of Liberty. And he had pictures to prove his claim. (These structures are quite impressive in G-scale!)

Gordon Fewster was recognized and who reported that Division 15 will meet at 9:30 am Saturday, January 19th at the Enka-Candler library, Candler, NC. (While the library does not open until 10:00

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am, the meeting room entrance at the west side of the library building will be open about 9:00 am.

Gordon Fewster presented an interesting and informative clinic on decaling models. He suggested that airbrush equipment, including a suitable air compressor, was essential to good model work, and that a good finish was essential to the good appearance of decals.

The basics of decal application were reviewed: Cut the decal close to the image, soak it in water, and transfer it to the model with anything except fingers. Use any one of several products to settle the decal in place. Mop up excess water with a paper towel or Q tip. Once the decal is in place, the next step is – leave it alone! Let it dry. If more settling is required, reapply the settling solution, and let it do its work. It may take several applications. A final coat of finish with a flat-luster sealer (Such as Dull Coat) protects the decal and helps hide the decal film. Gordon also talked about designing and printing decals on the computer. He shared examples of his good work (see cover).

AREA GROUPS OR CONTINUING ACTIVITIES

The Apple Valley Model Railroad Club's HO club layout is in the Hendersonville, NC depot. It is open every Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm. See their [website](#) for details.

The French Broad E'N'pire, a N scale club is based in Hendersonville, NC. See their [website](#) or contact Chuck Place at hmp3@blueridge.net.

The Smoky Mountain Model Railroaders meet in Clyde, NC at 7:00 pm Tuesdays, off Exit 107 near the hospital. They have two 3 rail O gauge modular layouts. For more information, contact Sam Hopkins at 828-773-0550 (cell) or csamh@att.net.

Piedmont Garden Railway Society, the NC/SC area. We are interested in the hobby of garden railroading and having open houses. Contact Email their newsletter [editor](#) for details

For those who are also railfans, the **Asheville NRHS** Meets 6:30 pm on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Enka-Candler library, Candler, NC. See their [website](#) or contact katiphelps@charter.net or 828-670-7709.

The **Hub City Railroad Museum**, a project of the **Greenville Chapter NRHS**, is located at 298 Magnolia St. in downtown Spartanburg, SC. Summer hours are 8 am until 2 pm, winter hours 10 am until 3 pm every Saturday, Wednesdays 10 am until 2 pm all year. See their [website](#) for details

PIEDMONT DIVISION LIVE AUCTION

The Piedmont Division will be hosting a live auction at the First Presbyterian Church in Marietta, located at 189 Church Street, NW on February 16th 2013. Check in for those who have items to sell is 12:00 noon. Sellers ONLY! Doors will be open for attendees at 12:30 for review of sale items. Auction starts promptly at 1:00 pm and will run until approximately 6:00 pm. Admission is 5 dollars at the door. Those NMRA members who bring their valid membership cards will get in FREE. You MUST have your NMRA membership card with you and show it at check in to receive free admission. If you are NOT an NMRA member and wish to join, memberships will be available for \$9.95 for six months. See [NMRA RailPass](#) (nmra.org) for more details.

Auction items will have a minimum bid of 5 dollars, so bundling of like items is strongly suggested. There will be snacks and other refreshments available for a nominal cost. Come and join us for a day of fun! You will find model railroad items in various scales as well as other items of railroad memorabilia. See their [website](#) for more info or directions.



CLUB CALENDAR

This is listing of know activities for our club members in the near future:

February 6th **Eliada Hobo's**
Downstairs in the Barn
 2:30 –3:15 PM
 3:30—4:15 PM
 4:20—5:00 PM
 5:15—6:00 PM
 7:00—7:45 PM

February 7th 7:00 PM **Club Meeting**
Eliada Admin Building

February 13th **Eliada Hobo's**
Downstairs in the Barn
 2:30 –3:15 PM
 3:30—4:15 PM
 4:20—5:00 PM
 5:15—6:00 PM
 7:00—7:45 PM

February 20th **Eliada Hobo's**
Downstairs in the Barn
 2:30 –3:15 PM
 3:30—4:15 PM
 4:20—5:00 PM
 5:15—6:00 PM
 7:00—7:45 PM

February 27th **Eliada Hobo's**
Downstairs in the Barn
 2:30 –3:15 PM
 3:30—4:15 PM
 4:20—5:00 PM
 5:15—6:00 PM
 7:00—7:45 PM

March 1 Noon to 7 PM
 Annual Train Show, WNC AG Center

March 2 9 AM to 5 PM
 Annual Train Show, WNC AG Center

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 2:30 –3:15 PM
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 2:30 –3:15 PM
 3:30—4:15 PM
 4:20—5:00 PM
 5:15—6:00 PM
 7:00—7:45 PM

April 3rd **Eliada Hobo's**
Downstairs in the Barn
 2:30 –3:15 PM
 3:30—4:15 PM
 4:20—5:00 PM
 5:15—6:00 PM
 7:00—7:45 PM

April 4th 7:00 PM **Club Meeting**
Eliada Admin Building

April 10th **Eliada Hobo's**
Downstairs in the Barn
 2:30 –3:15 PM
 3:30—4:15 PM
 4:20—5:00 PM
 5:15—6:00 PM
 7:00—7:45 PM

We have things for you to do, expand the hobby and your talents! Come out to see what your fellow club members are doing.



EVENTS FOR MODELERS:

CENTRAL RAILWAY & HISTORICAL ASSOC.

Feb 2nd & 3rd

Saturday, Feb. 2, 2013 - 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 3, 2013 - Noon - 5 p.m. at Bagwell Gymnasium, J.B. Owens Sports Complex, 111 Walker Way, Easley, SC 29642.

Admission: \$6. Children under 10 free with adult. Admission is good for both days. See there [website](#) for details

WNC TRAIN SHOW

March 1st & 2nd

At the WNC AG Center

Friday from Noon to 7 PM, Saturday from 9 until 4 PM, see our [website](#) for details

THE GREAT TRAIN EXPO

March 9th & 10th

At the Cobb Galleria, Atlanta, GA see their [website](#) for more info.



2013 NMRA NATIONAL CONVENTION

July 14 - July 20

Peachtree Express 2013, 78th Annual NMRA National Convention, Atlanta, Ga. Check out [the convention's website](#) for details.

WANT A CLINIC?

- If you have a clinic you would like to give, see or email [Tom](#) or [Dave](#) with what you want to give. Try it out on us before going big time at a SER or Land O'Sky meeting.

Even if you don't want to go big time, we would love to hear about your niche of our expansive hobby!

Inventory of Goods Offered for Sale

WNC Model Railroaders, Inc

	Description of the item(s)	Quantity	Asking Price	Minimum Price	Selling Price
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Instructions: Please complete the first four columns. Company Store personnel will record the actual selling price in the right hand column.

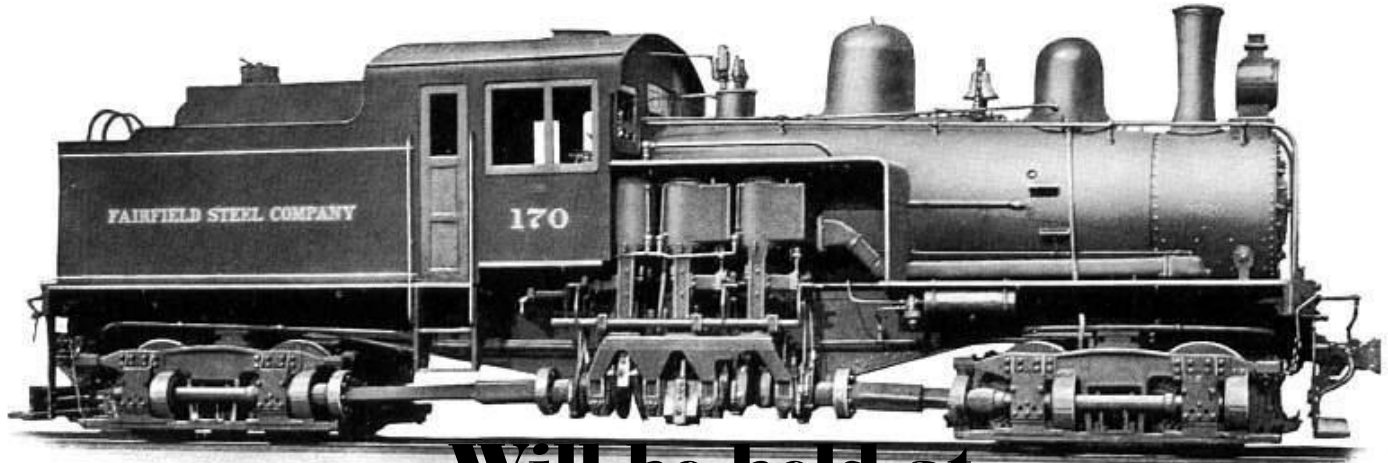
Notice to Seller: Goods are offered at your own risk. Store representatives will make every reasonable effort to protect your property from harm and to sell your goods at the asking price. Your minimum price will not be shared with customers but will be used to set the minimum price for an acceptable offer. In consideration of these efforts the Western Carolina Model Railroaders Inc. will take a 10% (percent) commission on items actually sold. Your proceeds and any unsold goods will be available for pick up during the final two hours of the show. Thank you for your participation and your support of our organization.

SELLER'S NAME (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY): _____

Total Sales: \$ _____ Less Commission (10%) \$ _____ = Proceeds to Seller \$ _____ Initials: _____

WNC Model Railroaders, Inc.

23rd Annual Model Train Show



Will be held at

**WNC AG CENTER,
IN THE EXPO BUILDING**

From North/East/West: I-26 East, then exit 40 turn right at end of the ramp, then...

From Hendersonville/South: I-26 West to exit 40, turn left at the end of the ramp then...

**...go just past the airport, WNC AG Center will be on the left hand side
use Gate #5 and follow the signs to the show**

March 1 & 2, 2013

Friday March 1, Noon to 7 PM

Saturday March 2, 9 AM to 4:30 PM

ADMISSION:

\$5.00 PER DAY

(Children under 13 FREE with adult)

**THERE WILL BE OPERATING LAYOUTS
OVER 60 TABLES**

Need Info? Contact Fred Coleman @ 828-699-0983 or email: superintendent@wncmrr.org

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