



Happenings

October 3 and 4. Model Railroad Show and Swap Meet. Autumn Rails 2008. Friday 3:00 pm 7:00 pm, Saturday - 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. Sponsored by the French Broad e'N'pire NTRAK Club at Bonclarken Assembly Auditorium, Blue Ridge Road, Flat Rock, NC. The show will feature a large operating NTRAK layout, 100+ tables of model railroad equipment and supplies in all scales from Z to G, railroad memorabilia, clothing, and railroad art. See [website](#) or page 6 for more info.

October 4, Farm City Days at Jackson Park in Hendersonville from 10:00AM-4:00PM. Our module team will participate in this day-long event that features both urban and rural displays, antique and modern farm equipment, live music, farm animals, square dancing, clogging, arts and crafts, children's activities, wagon rides, competitions, displays, demonstrations and plenty of food. There is fun for all.

October 10 and 11. Narrow Trak 08 Friday, 2 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Saturday, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Transylvania County Recreation Center, 1078 Ecusta Road, Brevard. Narrow Trak 08 is the annual gathering of hard-core narrow gauge and logging modelers. See page 7 for more info.

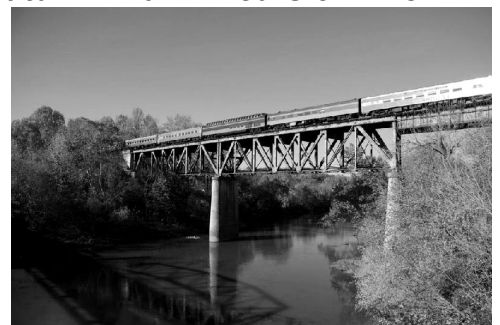


October 18. 10 am – 4 pm. The 13th Annual Fall by the Tracks Festival at Black Mountain's Historic Railroad Depot on Sutton Ave. in Black Mountain, North Carolina. The "Fall By The Tracks" Festival will include the opening of the caboose museum, crafters demonstration, face and pumpkin painting, cake-walks, local honey, food, and fresh-made, while-you-watch, apple cider from our own antique apple press, and more! The module team will participate.

October 24th and 25th, Southern Railway Historical Association Gathering at the Port Wentworth Community Center in Savannah, Ga. Fri. pm., visit Nate Stone's Clinchfield Layout. Sat. from 9:00 am on – a day of interesting clinics for modelers. For info contact Greg Soots at memberservices@srha.net.

November 1 and 2, N. C. Transportation Museum's Virginia Autumn Train Excursion. Presented by The N.C. Transportation Museum Foundation and the Watauga Valley Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society, the excursion offers rare daylight trips through the rolling hills of the Carolinas and the Western part of Central Virginia, using Amtrak and vintage rail equipment.

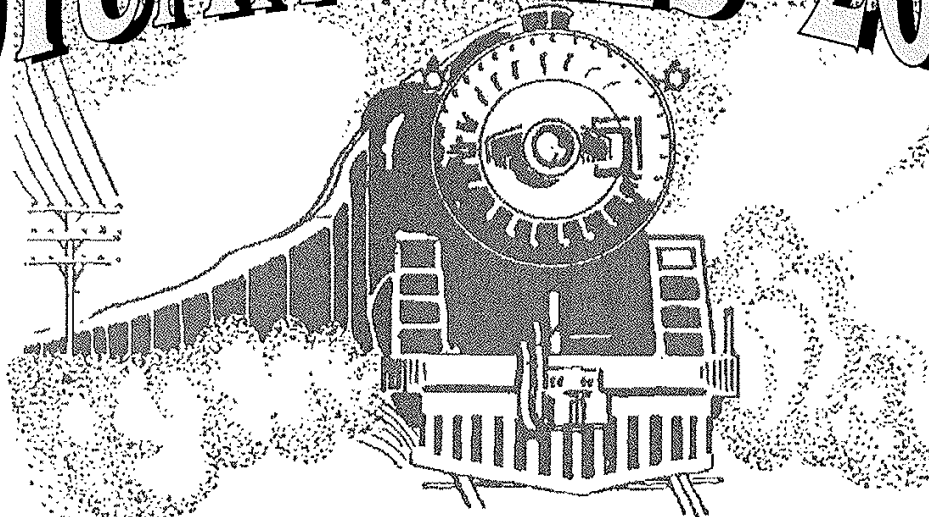
The railroad line crests legendary White Oak Mountain, and offers spectacular views of the Dan, Roanoke and James Rivers. This year, passengers can board at one of two locations, the NC Transportation Museum at 411 S. Salisbury Avenue in Spencer, and the newly renovated Amtrak Station at 236 East Washington Street in Greensboro. The train departs Spencer at 7am and from Greensboro at 8:15 am.



Trips are available Saturday, Nov. 1st, and Sunday, Nov. 2nd. For reservations and info, [website](#) (www.nctrans.org/events/excursion.php) or call 704-636-2889 ext. 232.



AUTUMN RAILS 2008



**All Aboard for our NINTH annual
MODEL RAILROAD SHOW AND SWAP MEET**

◆ *Two Day Show - October 3 & 4* ◆

Friday - 3 pm to 7 pm / Saturday - 10 am to 3 pm

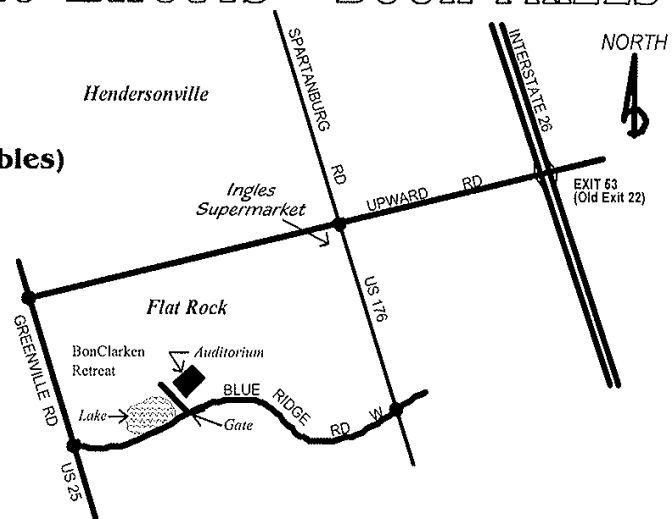
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NARROW TRAK 08

Friday, October 10, 2008, 2 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Saturday, October 11, 2008, 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.
at the Transylvania County Recreation Center,
1078 Ecusta Road
(behind Pisgah Forest Elementary School),
Brevard, NC 28712-7581

NARROW TRAK 08 is the annual gathering of hard-core narrow gauge and logging model railroaders for two days of friendship and knowledge building. The modeling and prototype seminars will provide information you can use. They are scheduled so that you can attend all the seminars with plenty of time between each one. As to our beloved wives and girlfriends, there's plenty for them to do in the Brevard area. In previous years, wives have been the first ones to say they wanted to come back! Registration for individuals is \$20.00, with spouse/significant other being \$12.00.

Some of our knowledge-building seminar presenters will include Johnny Graybeal on the ET&WNC; Noll Horan on sawdust scenery; Jim King on Casting in Resin; Mac McDonald on Eastern N.C. Logging & Lumbering operations; Ray Montgomery on Alco and Baldwin narrow gauge in South America; Joe Norris on building a narrow gauge turntable, Ron Schmidt on Logging on the Little River in Tennessee and Tom Yorke on Painting, Staining and Weathering.

The Saturday night bureaucracy announcements and awards ceremony is less than 10 minutes long! Then, the final highlight of every Narrow Trak convention is the Saturday night bluegrass music by Roy Chapman and his "True Bluegrass band." If you've never heard bluegrass, you'll love this original American music. Roy and his group play in the finest Bill Monroe tradition.

Modules and Contests

We welcome narrow gauge completed dioramas and modules. The popular-vote model contest consists of five categories: motive power, rolling stock, structure, diorama and the coveted Beloved Founder Award.

Accommodations

Within a 30 miles radius (we're 22 miles from the Asheville airport), there's everything from Norman Bates type motels to fancy, pricey bed and breakfasts. Don't try and keep the bed and breakfasts secret from your wife—you'll be sorry...

Food

The Brevard area is well-known for its many fine restaurants with something for everyone. We've got reservations-only, high-priced places to down and dirty, red-neck joints. Our list of personal recommended places would take up three or four pages.

And finally...

If you need more registration forms, send an e-mail to: plans@citcom.net or an SSAE to:

NARROW TRAK 08
11 Owen St., Ste 104
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