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Our next meeting is on November 1st 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.



**NORFOLK SOUTHERN EXHIBITION CAR AT THE
HENDERSONVILLE DEPOT**



NEWS FOR OUR MEMBERS

OUR NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be starting at **7 PM** on **Thursday November 1st**.

Clinic: Engine Repair and maintenance show and tell.

Synopsis: Bring in your locomotive and discuss your method of maintaining that and other locomotives
Come to have fun. **See you there!**

REPORT ON THE LAST MEETING

Superintendent Dave Anderson called the meeting to order at 7 PM on October 4, 2012.

Good and welfare:

Keep the following people in your prayers: Beside Bill **Seibert** (in *Autumn Care* in Waynesville), **Mike Smith**, **Charlie Krug** were not present due to health issues. No one else brought up anyone else for consideration. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

Editor's note: We always welcome contributions to this newsletter as well.

Annual dues are now due, this year's inflation adjusted price is **\$12**. See the Paymaster during the break to either pay cash or check. Make checks payable to WNC Model Railroaders, Inc.

Biltmore Estate recap it was a nice function for us, not to many locals, but did fulfill our spreading the word of the hobby. Thanks to Fred, Charlie, Boyce, Clint, Dick and Ron (guest) for their help at the event.

Up coming or possible LOST RR events:

- Farm City Days, **October 6th**—Setup at 8AM weather permitting which will be made by Fred. If you don't hear from Fred by 9 PM Friday, we will be setting up at 8 AM Saturday.
- Autumn Rails, **October 13th** awaiting invitation from French Broad E'N'pire
- Boy Scout Midway, **October 20th**, set up on October 19th at the WNC AG Center.

All of these events provide great opportunities for our club to make a favorable public impression and promote model railroading in our community. We will need help for both events. Those who can help should contact Fred Coleman

The following **Events** were brought up by members:

October 12th, 13th: Frank Pearsall's **Narrow Trak Meet** in Brevard, NC.

October 20th: Land O'Sky Division meeting, Enka Library

October 18-21 MER Convention at Suffolk, Va. The Tidewater Division invites you to come to Virginia for the 2012 MER Convention to be held the third weekend in October (18-21) 2012. We have scheduled four days of model railroading activities: clinics, contests, modular layouts, a live auction,

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layout tours, prototype tours, a banquet with featured speaker, awards presentation, and non-rail activities. There will be much to see, learn, do and enjoy. For more information go their convention [website](#).

There is no update on the 501 (C) 3 paperwork, and no one proffered to become paymaster.

Since no other business was brought up from the floor, the meeting was concluded. After a short break **Dave Anderson** lead a discussion on two plans he came up with that met the requirements stated in the layout challenge. He had a HO and N scale plan that fit the requirements. He also presented a plan from an Atlas HO plan book that would need a minor change to meet the AP certificate plan requirement. There were two plans in September's *Model Railroader* that would qualify for requirement #1 of the civil certificate. *Model Railroader* probably has many more that would qualify in older issues.

This clinic was to show that you can come up with a plan, you don't have to build it, just plan it. It suffices for the requirement #1 for the civil and requirement #4 (with a little more work requirement #5) of the electric certificates. If you have your own layout, just draw what you have for a track plan and electrical diagram.

If you build the plan you have the size requirement for the Scenery certificate. You would need to be able to score 87.5 in the different categories.. Many of our members have already done most of the electrical and scenery requirements on your layout, and probably most of the civil requirements. Hope you were informed on how to start the process for these certificates

WNC MRR AT THE FRENCH BROAD N'E'PIRE AUTUMN RAILS





WNC MRR AT JACKSON PARK FOR FARM CITY DAYS



It was a lovely day at Farm City Days. Thanks to Clint, Fred, Boyce, Troy, Maureen for the help during the day!





CLUB CALENDAR

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

November 7th **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

November 6th 7:00 PM **Club Meeting**
Eliada Admin Building

November 14th **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

November 21th **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

November 28th **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

December 5th **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

December 6th 7:00 PM **Club Meeting**
Eliada Admin Building

December 12th **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

December 19th **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

January 2nd **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

January 3rd 7:00 PM **Club Meeting**
Eliada Admin Building

January 9th **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

January 16th **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:

PIEDMONT PILGRIMAGE

Weekends in the Atlanta Area, starting October 13th
though November 25th.

See their [website](#) for details.

A PALMETTO DIVISION MEETING

November 3rd, 9:30 to 12:30 P.M

At The Cottages at Brushy Creek in Greer, SC . It will include a
Swap Meet (No vendors!), Popular model contest for members,
Clinics and Layout tours in the afternoon. Registration is \$5.00.
See their [website](#) for more information.

LAND O'SKY DIVISION MEETING

January 19,2013 see [website](#) for details

WNC TRAIN SHOW

March 1st & 2nd

At the WNC AG Center see our [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!

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.



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