The 4th Division of the Pacific Northwest Region of the National Model Railroad Association Presents





Wednesday, May 11, 2011

Location: Summer Hill in Oak Harbor [email me if you need directions].

Time: 7:00 PM [earlier to browse the Swap Table]

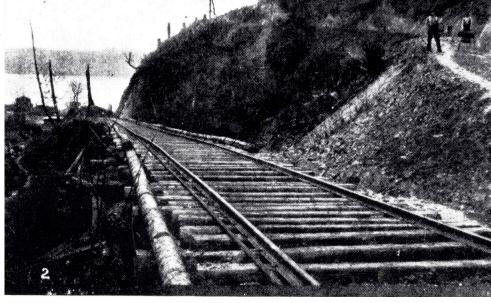
Agenda: 1. Swap Meet still goin' on [about 6:45].

2. Welcome and Introductions. Any more ideas for next season's clinic presentations/visits.

3. Presentation: Craig Williams about So. Whidbey Logging RR.

Whidbey Island Railroad History

Glendale historian Craig Williams of the community organization Friends of Glendale and the South Whidbey Historical Society will discuss "The Glendale logging railroad and other Whidbey Island shortlines." Craig Williams has been researching the history of shortline railroad operations on Whidbey Island for over 10 years. He will talk about the early logging operations on South Whidbey Island, how these activities shaped the community of Glendale and the logging railroad that once ran through the Glendale area.





Craig Williams is a founding partner of West Street Associates, and is a veteran of over 30 years of International Event planning and operations. He has held top management roles for Local Organizing Committees (LOC) of several International Sporting Events, including the Olympic Games, and currently provides specialist advice to Olympic Organizing and Bid Committees. Craig has a BA in History from UCLA and is a Board Member of both Friends of Glendale (FOG) and the South Whidbey Historical Society. His interest in local history and the Glendale watershed combined when he discovered remnants of an old logging railroad grade on his property and several local trails in the Glendale watershed. He has been researching the history of the area for over 10 years and has given presentations to both the South Whidbey Historical Society and history classes at South Whidbey High School. For additional info on FOG please visit the website

at www.friendsofglendale.org

	The Skagit Valley & Whidbey NMRA Clinic											
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			Clinic at Summer Hill So. Whidbey Logging Railroad			Swap Meet @ Freighthse. Sq. In Tacoma 9 - 5 Adm. \$5						
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10 - 4 on Sun. See: www.tnwmrr.org For more info												
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Last Month's Clinic:

Dick Haines presented a clinic on the methods of modeling water on a model railroad layout along with some things to consider when doing so. He showed several examples and even demonstrated a waterfall lit from behind with a moving light baffle to make it look like the water was in motion - made out of a couple of bucks worth of parts and acrylic caulking. Thank you Dick!

We also discussed next season's calendar for clinics. Please email John White or me with any ideas you have so they may be added to the Draft Calendar which will be presented for first perusal/comments at the clinic on 5/11.



Hey! Only one month to go, so get out the ol' Scratchbuilding materials and Scratch build!!

Dilapidated Building Competition Rules

Introduction

The purpose of this competition is to build a dilapidated building according to the specifications below. The entries will be judged by Jack Hamilton, MMR and NMRA Western Director, at our June meeting in 2011.

Baseboard

- Material of your choice.
- Maximum base board size 20" x 15". Minimum size 10" x 7.5".

Building

- The building must be framed and clad in wood and should be scratch built. No kits.
- Building size, type and shape to your choice. There are no height restrictions.
- The building can be 3 sided as part of a back scene. No restrictions on depth of building.
- The building can be abandoned or occupied.
- No outhouses however High Tech, except for the humorous award.
- Roofing and foundation materials can be your choice.
- Windows, doors, chimneys etc can be Grandt Line or similar, Wood Framed, Metal or Plastic.
- The building must show signs of age and distress and also should show evidence of structural damage, failure or collapse.

Scenery and additions

- The judge will be asked to judge the building itself [see prize list].
- Vehicles, animals and people are to your choice.
- Trackage, rolling stock, etc are not a requirement and have no value in judging.
- Scenery to choice but the emphasis of the judge will be on the building.

Prize Categories - revised

- Best entry irrespective of scale.
- Most humorous irrespective of scale.
- Peoples choice irrespective of scale.
- Three Honorable Mentions.

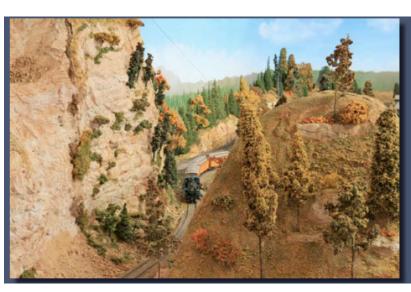
Prizes

- All category winners will receive an Illuminated Scroll with their name and prize category, and a Gift Certificate at Performance R/C Hobbies.
- Competitors can enter buildings in more than one scale or category but only one entry in each scale or category.
- If a competitor receives more than one award he/she will receive only the illuminated scroll for the second award. The Gift Certificate will go to the Runner Up.
- In the event of disputes the Competition Shepherd's and Judges decisions are final!

Steve Jaffray

Competition Shepherd

The Miscellaneous Information Page



JACK TINGSTAD'S CLOUD CITY & WESTERN

Read about this moderate sized, HO mountain railroad next month in

Model Railroad Hobbyist magazine™

Jack Tingstad's layout is featured in next month's MRH magazine! The pictures will be spectacular!! About the first of the month, download it from: model-railroad-hobbyist.com/ This is a free magazine to read on the computer - don't even consider printing the whole thing - they are usually around 125 pages long!!

Got Clinic Program Ideas?

It is not too late to get your ideas included about next season's clinic line-up. If there is something either model or prototype that you want to know about - or want to present information about - write the ideas down and be prepared to present the ideas at our **May meeting**. A Draft Clinic Schedule will be distributed at the May meeting with final approval coming at the June meeting.

Remember, this is your clinic!

Swap Table

The Swap Table continues!! If you have anything to sell/trade/give away just bring it to the Summer Hill meeting room by about 6:45. Please make sure that any price is clearly labeled and the owner's name is shown

Frontier Discount Cards

Last call until next September, to (re)apply for your Frontier Building Supply Discount Card for 2011!! Please email me [Al Frasch] or John White with your name and NMRA number and we will have your spiffy new discount cards ready for you at the next Clinic.

Remember, you must be a current NMRA member to qualify.

See nmra.org for membership information.



If you have any information, good websites, things for sale of a model railroad nature or whatever, send me a note and I will add it to this page in the future editions as space permits.

<u>Planning a trip by rail in the Northwest this summer?</u> I found these combined Sounder [blue], Cascades [yellow], Empire Builder and Starlight schedules for the region from Eugene to Vancouver, BC. I know they are kind of small to fit the page, but you can use the increase size button [looks like a plus sign] of Adobe Reader to enlarge it.

Pacific Northwest Rail Corridor, Weekday Service, Southbound

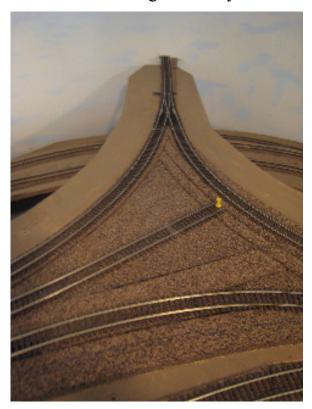
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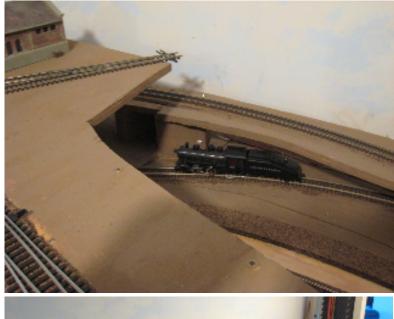
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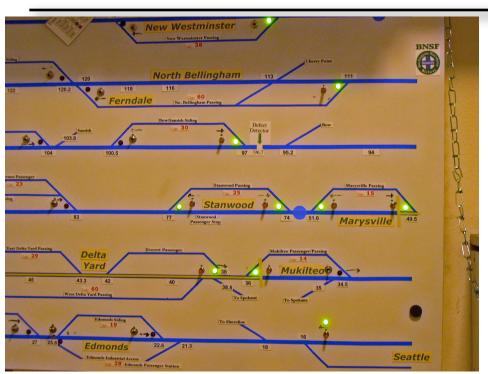
Local Modeling Progress

Well, Jim Tartas has had his 'golden spike' occur recently, with all his track down and being tested. When he has thoroughly tested and debugged the track, he will begin scenery work in the fall. Looking forward to a chance to do some running on the layout!









Meanwhile, on the *Pilchuck Division of the BNSF*, work is going well on the reworking of the Dispatcher's Board to include red <u>and</u> green indications for signals along the right of way [work is finished only on the ones green lighted in the picture so far]. Thanks to Rich Thom and Dick Haines for "making" me undertake the upgrade and Gary Jordan for the wiring solution to make it all work. The board should be ready to go for future operation sessions.

Skagit Valley & Whidbey NMRA Clinic Schedule 2010/2011

Notes: All regular meetings are held at the Summer Hill Community in Oak Harbor from September through June on the dates shown starting at 7:00 pm or as otherwise announced.

NMRA Membership is encouraged, but not a requirement for attendance.

Date	Coordinator	Subject	Presenter
Sept. 8, 2010		Milwaukee Road Electrification	Noel Holly
Oct. 13, 2010		Concrete Ties in North America	John White
Nov. 10, 2010	John White	Make and Take	Roger Ferris, MMR
		& Estate Sales	Bobj Berger, CJ Riley
Dec. 8, 2010	John White	Wassail and Other Delights on the SVER	John White
Jan. 12, 2011	John White	"How to Build a Dilapidated Building"	Steve Jaffray
Feb. 9, 2011	John White	New Zealand Railways	Max Maginness, MMR
Mar. 9, 2011		"East Broad Top" & "Cumbres & Toltec" \	Video Rich Thom
Apr. 13, 2011		Water Effects	Dick Haines
May 11, 2011	Al Frasch	South Whidbey Logging Railroad [The Glendale narrow gauge railroad]	Craig Williams
June 8, 2011		Judging of Scratch Built Competition Clinic on Tools for Model Railroaders	Jack Hamilton, MMR

Volunteers or Press Ganged

NMRA Liaison and Reportage	Gordon Garnhart
Keeper of the Purse [aka the Bucket]	Jack Tingstad
Layout Design Aficionado	Tom Hawkins
The DCC Man	John Mann
Newsletters and Announcement Flyers	Al Frasch
Refreshments	Phil & Susan Gonzales
Keeper of the Rolls[aka the Membership Roster]	Rich Thom
Librarian	Susan Gonzales
Clean-up Artists	Vera & Gordon Jones
Competition Shepherd	Steve Jaffray
Meeting Co-ordinator	John White