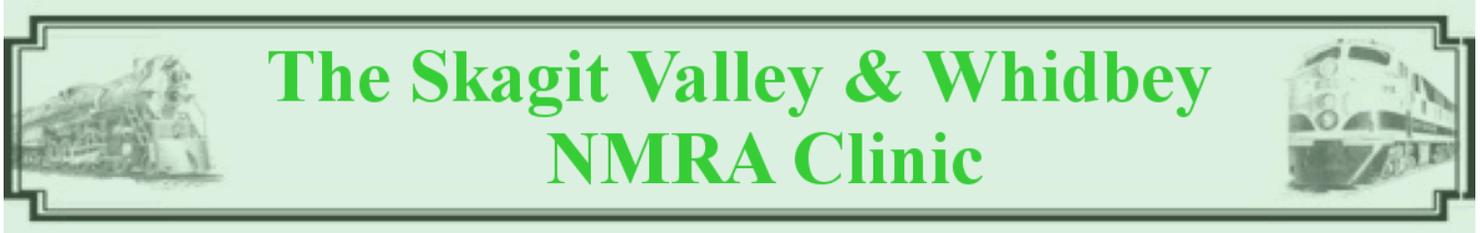


The 4th Division of the Pacific Northwest Region of the
National Model Railroad Association Presents



May 2025 Newsletter

Upcoming Events

Ainsworth Connector, PNR Convention 2025 May 9 – 11, 2025 in Pasco, Washington.

<https://pnr5d.org/pnr-5th-division-home-page/2025-pnr-convention/>

Railway Modelers Meet of BC May 23 - 25 2025

<https://railwaymodellermmeetofbc.ca/wp/>

NMRA 4th Division Spring Meet May 31, 2025

<https://4dpnr.com/event/spring-meet-2025/>

The full list of 4th division events. <https://4dpnr.com/events/>

May 2025 Whidbey Clinic



It's been a long time since we had a road trip as a group. Spring is upon us and that means the 4D Spring Meet is around the corner. We are meeting at the Northwest Railroad Museum this year. Registration includes lunch and a (round trip) train ride to museum from North Bend

In addition to clinics there will be shop tours, the annual membership meeting, introduction of new officers and presentation of the Golden Grab Iron award.

If you are interested in carpooling as a driver or rider please Contact either:

Rich Blake slugsasher@oakharbor.net or Cliff Aaker 4dclinic@whidbey.com

Clinic will be Saturday, May 31, 2025, 38625 SE King Street, Snoqualmie, WA 98065

The spring meet is an official NMRA event. Non-members can get a trial membership if they want to participate for \$19.95 at <https://www.nmra.org/store/membership>

Al Carter, Nick Muff and the Mt Vernon clinic have kindly extended an invitation to us to attend their June clinic to be held at Nick Muff's layout. It will be June 16th, at 7:00pm in Sedro Woolley.

Many updates have been made since but this old video will give you an idea of what it is. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oWGgKcHoPdk&list=WL&index=6>

They have a pre-clinic "dinner" at Round Table Pizza in Mount Vernon, 115 East College Way at 5:00pm and all are invited. Al Carter would like a heads up if you are interested at:

tabooma10@gmail.com

April 2025 Whidbey Clinic

Making Trees and Preparing and Repairing a museum display Part 3



The next next step is pondered.



Rich Blake demonstrating tree making.

Bottle brush tools to show and tell. Cliff Aaker reprised a mini clinic on making Hemlock trees in various scales. We will also used some ground cover, grass and glue methods, static applicator, etc.

We had 16 folks on Wednesday. With Steve Cox as a new attendee. Photos are also courtesy Steve Cox.

Our Whidbey & Skagit clinic is part of an online discussion group at PNWRRModelers@groups.io
If you aren't already subscribed do so by sending an email to the above link.

Membership in the NMRA is not required and everyone is encouraged to attend our clinics. Membership is however encouraged. You can get information from the NMRA [website](#).

4TH DIVISION ZOOM LAYOUT TOURS

You can expect a regular layout tour every Saturday at 10:00 AM. The Zoom link will be posted on the [Grab Iron](#).

4dpr.com

One of the best clinic options is the Zoom meetings put on by the NMRA [4th division](#).

The 4th division also provide a youtube archive of past Layout tours and clinic videos you can access at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-pc9_xA-w2t3RdhLZ7BNOA

You can also visit the NMRA youtube channel
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCHw-7-1FWB5zQgTM0ZVY-Yw>

Archives of the NMRA newsletter maintained by editor Greg Kujawa are also available. View the August issue pnr.nmra.org/switchlist

Just another day on the rails

Rich Thom sent in some photos of operations on his Coldwater Creek & Cascade RR These photos were from Op Session 21 in March, and his third operating session of the 2023-24 season. There has since been one more.

Way to go Rich! Hosting an operating session is very much appreciated.



Rich Blake switching Silver Falls.



Cliff Aaker navigating a grade.

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