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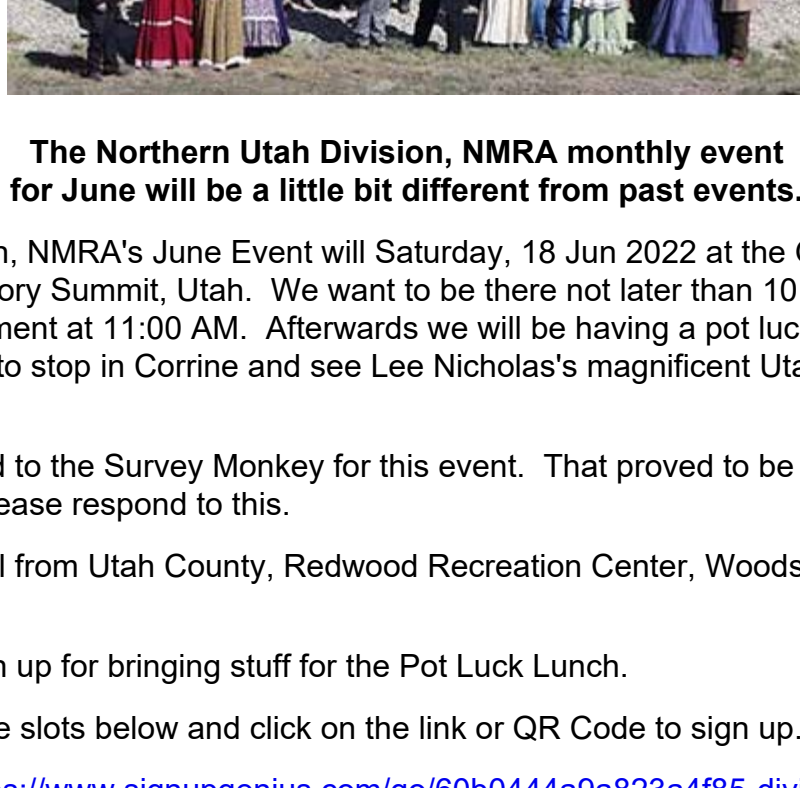
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Meeting Update



The Northern Utah Division, NMRA's June Event will Saturday, 18 Jun 2022 at the Golden Spike National Historic Site near Promontory Summit, Utah. We want to be there not later than 10:30 AM in order to participate in the Reenactment at 11:00 AM. Afterwards we will be having a pot luck lunch in the Pavilion and we have been invited to stop in Corrine and see Lee Nicholas's magnificent Utah Colorado Western railroad empire.

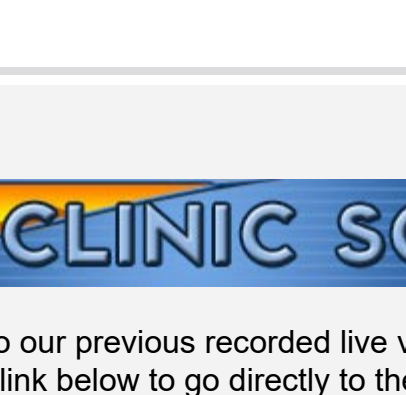
You might have responded to the Survey Monkey for this event. That proved to be a total bust because of my inexperience; therefore, please respond to this.

There are slots to Car Pool from Utah County, Redwood Recreation Center, Woods Cross, and Ogden, as well as driving solo.

There are also slots to sign up for bringing stuff for the Pot Luck Lunch.

Please review the available slots below and click on the link or QR Code to sign up. Thank you!

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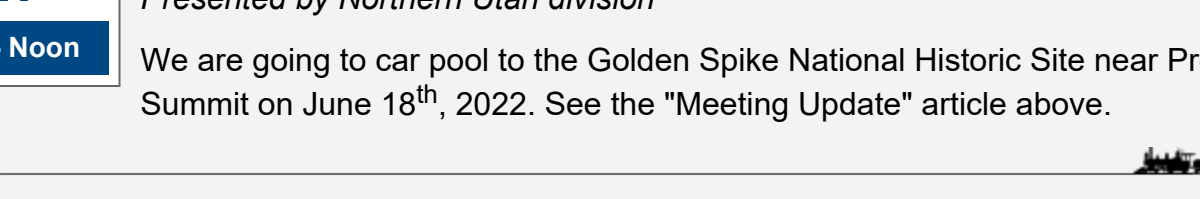


We hope to see you there!

If you are not attending the Golden Spike event there will not be a meeting at the Redwood Rec. Center for June.

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Learn Something New



You can always find links to our previous recorded live video clinics on our website. Click the link below to go directly to the website.

<https://www.northernutahnrmra.org/monthly-events/past-clinics/>

June 18th 10:00 AM - Noon	Special Event! Golden Spike National Historic Site <i>Presented by Northern Utah division</i> We are going to car pool to the Golden Spike National Historic Site near Promontory Summit on June 18 th , 2022. See the "Meeting Update" article above.
July 16th 10:00 AM - Noon	Presentation The Basics of Soldering <i>Presented by Blaine Holbrook</i> Demonstration of three different types of soldering and techniques.
August 20th 10:00 PM - Noon	Presentation Painting and Plastering <i>Presented by Bill Johnson</i> Discover some new techniques and tricks for creating scenery. Now that you have some scenery learn how to add color to your layout with paint.
September 17th 10:00 AM - Noon	Presentation The Great Basin Railroad <i>Presented by Trever Stevens</i> Learn some interesting things about this fascinating railroad.
October 15th 10:00 AM - Noon	Presentation Layout Control <i>Presented by Mike Dean</i> A continuation of Mike's previous clinic on arduinos. This time we will be getting into how to use them to control your layout.
November 19th 10:00 AM - Noon	Presentation Scratch Building Structures <i>Presented by Bill Johnson</i> If your not able to find just the right building for your layout, then this clinic is for you! Bill is back again with tips and techniques for scratch-building structures for your layout.
December 17th 10:00 AM - Noon	Presentation Photographing your Layout! <i>Presented by Cindy Lund</i> This is a two-part presentation. The first part is a photo contest. Send your photos and tips/techniques by 3/14 to cindy.nud.nmra@gmail.com . Be sure to include the following: Layout information including period, line, scale, scene, Etc. The layout owner (if different from the photographer). Photographer. Type of camera and effects used. At the meeting, we will have a PowerPoint with all submissions. There will be voting and prizes! Then we'll have a brief demonstration utilizing some of the tips and techniques - let Cindy know if you would like to present. We hope you get creative and try out various photography techniques. The goal is to have a lively presentation and discussion. There are so many fabulous layouts in our division, and this is the perfect opportunity to highlight them.
January 21st 10:00 AM - Noon	Presentation Making Old Trains Run Like New <i>Presented by Geoff Carter</i> Did you inherit some old rolling stock and engines from a friend or family? Geoff Carter will give us some tips and tricks to get those old trains running like new.



As the Clinic Coordinator I look at this requires and realize we all can contribute to our clinics. I started with a sheet of plywood with my father back when I was a child and since then have done so much, especially in the last few years. We all have skills and experiences that we can share. Being retired from the Education profession also has shown me that what I have done in the past can help someone else looking for an answer. I will call upon all of you to share what you have learned, because we all have a love of trains.

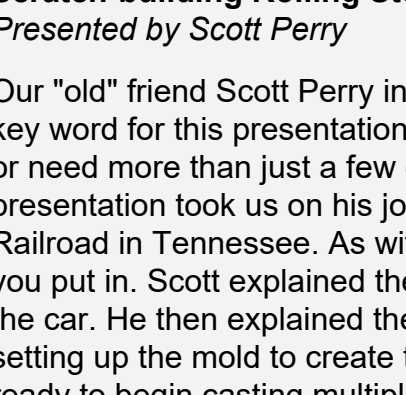
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Thoughts from the Superintendent



There's so much more to this hobby than just "building trains in your basement!" As you can see by this month's selfie, it's that time of year for outdoor activities. It is so fun to share the hobby with families. A bonus picture you can see this family having fun. They even plan to have the boys come to a work session to help out the club!



Speaking of outdoor activities, this month the Division meeting is a trip to Promontory for the reenactment of the Driving of the Golden Spike! An email went out about carpooling but there were some technical difficulties so if you saw a second email, reply to that as well. Please, please don't not come just because you don't have a ride. If we don't contact you, still come, with or without a carpool. I would like everyone to carpool so we can enjoy the journey together but if you must drive yourself, you are still welcome! Also to the passengers, I would suggest chipping in for gas so the burden isn't just on the driver. Plan to get there by 10:30 so we can participate in the 11 am reenactment. Then after that we will have lunch at the pavilion. As a bonus, Lee Nicholas has agreed to have an open house of his fabulous layout which is on the way home. There are so many opportunities to enjoy model railroading with others and I am looking forward to this weekend so we can literally enjoy the journey together!

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What Happened Last Month



Scratch-building Rolling Stock

Presented by Scott Perry

Our "old" friend Scott Perry indulged us with his humongous knowledge of scratch building techniques. The key word for this presentation is "mass" as in multiple copies of the same thing. There are many times we want or need more than just a few of the same car for our rolling stock fleet. "Super Scott" to the rescue! His presentation took us on his journey to create a fleet of logging cars for his On30 version of the Little River Railroad in Tennessee. As with any project of this nature, the results are only as good as the preparation time you put in. Scott explained the different ways he acquired the prototype information to create the drawing for the car. He then explained the "master" car that he created with all the details needed. Scott continued with setting up the mold to create the casting. Using Alumilite's Dow Corning Silicon Mold Making supplies. You are ready to begin casting multiple copies of the same car. The interesting take-away from this presentation is the fact that a basic flat car body can be used as the basis for other cars such as box car, gondola, stock car or even a caboose!

You can view past clinic information at the link below

<https://www.northernutahnrmra.org/monthly-events/past-clinics/>



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Achievement Program



How many different scales do you model in? Is it only one? Two? More than two? For me, I like all scales because there is something unique in all of them yet still the same: it's about the trains! I now have a pair of logging disconnects in HO and HO_N3, On30, Nn3 and 1.5"! Quite the assortment. Since a tree was blown down by the wind in my yard, I can now use different parts of the same tree to make log loads for all those scales! I enjoy the smaller scales but have had a lot of fun working in the larger scale too! I've "hand laid" all my track in my backyard and my son's Eagle Project was to build 600' of track for Shay Park. But I've not built my own equipment until now.



I've started building a "craftsman kit" for a wood reefer, one of my favorite HO cars.



I've also begun scratch building a flat car that will use 3D printed detail parts. Eventually, I will use the same flat car plans as a starting point for my logging caboose.



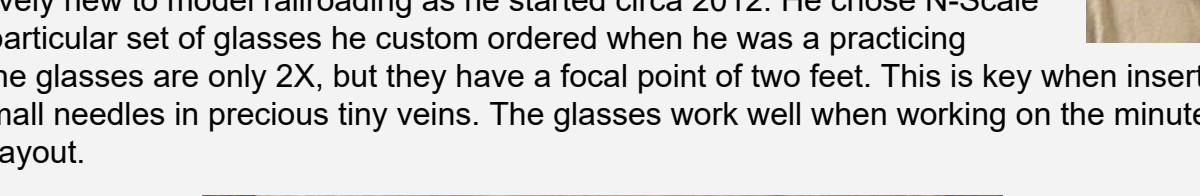
Rich Dobler, MMR #441 earned "most of the requirements for Chief Dispatcher, all of Motive Power, Civil, and Cars were done in 7.5-inch gauge." He also said, "The Achievement Program has been a very doable challenge, and my modeling skills have been stretched and strengthened during the MMR process. Several of my first attempts were not successful, but with encouragement and patience, I soon learned that second and third tries are worth the effort and that modeling skills increase with each effort. As it has been said, "Each time you fall, you pick up something." (February 2011, NMRA Bulletin)

If anyone is interested in passing something off in any scale, let me know. I know several of you are working towards these achievements. Just like in school, you have to do your own work, but the good news is we can do it at the same time and that way we can enjoy the journey together!

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Member Spotlight



Member Spotlight : Mike Dean

By Cindy Lund
Membership Chair

Mike Dean came to Utah in 1987 from Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, Maryland, Primary Children's Hospital recruited him to build their ICU, and he did. He currently works on clinical trials and plans to retire two years from this July, when he is 70. He is married and has three kids and six grandkids.

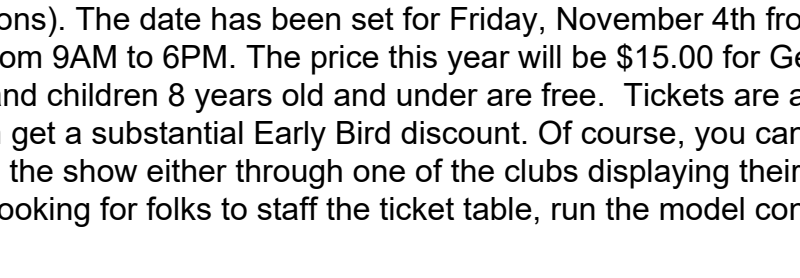
Mike is relatively new to model railroading as he started circa 2012. He chose N-Scale and uses a particular set of glasses he custom ordered when he was a practicing physician. The glasses are only 2X, but they have a focal point of two feet. This is key when inserting especially small needles in precious tiny veins. The glasses work well when working on the minute details of an N-scale layout.



So, what does the layout belonging to such a man look like? It is unique, to say the least. It is an 11'x12' G-shape with 50 turnout Believe it or not, everything is computer controlled – ha ha! Mike did the Arduino clinic this past February and will do a follow-up clinic entitled "Layout Control" in October.



The whole thing is a discombobulation (his word), so he can focus on learning skills. He told me he has steam engines pulling Amtrak passenger cars with all types of structures without coherence between them. He may, one day, scrap the whole thing and start over with an overall theme in mind, but for now, he is enjoying the hobby and camaraderie of the Northern Utah Division.



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2022 Intermountain Train Expo News

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The Northern Utah Division, NMRA will once again be hosting the annual Intermountain Train Expo. This year we will be at the Davis Conference Center in Layton, Utah (last year's venue, Legacy Event Center, is undergoing major renovations). The date has been set for Friday, November 4th from 3PM to 9PM and Saturday, November 5th from 9AM to 6PM. The price this year will be \$15.00 for General Admission, \$10.00 for Youth ages 9 thru 12, and children 8 years old and under are free. Tickets are available thru Eventbrite, and if you act now you can get a substantial Early Bird discount. Of course, you can also get in for free by volunteering to help put on the show either one of the clubs displaying their layout, or by helping the show directly. We will be looking for folks to staff the ticket table, run the model contest, help with the hands-on clinics,

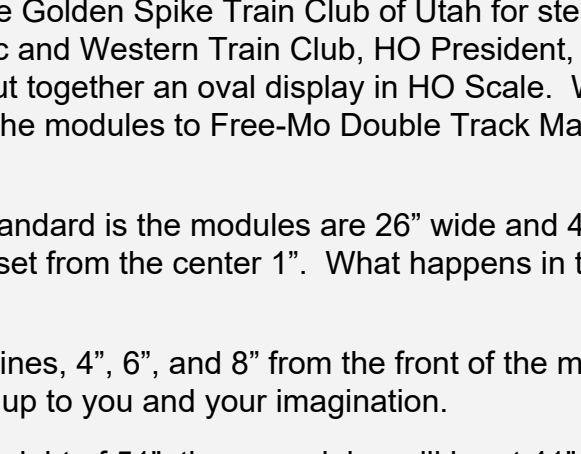
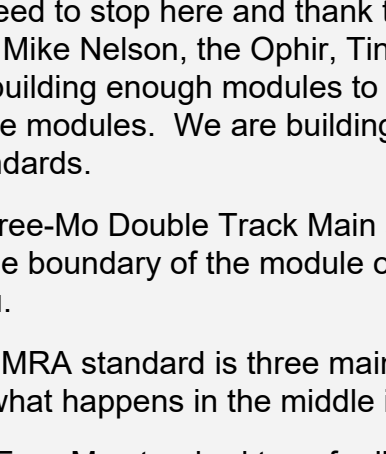


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Needed : HO Modules!



HO Scale Modular Layout



Houston, we have a problem... Many of our vendors want to have an HO Scale layout on display at our train show, and recently, we have had limited luck when we have sent invitations to the local clubs that have a working layout. I need to stop here and thank the Golden Spike Train Club of Utah for stepping with their modules last year. Mike Nelson, the Ophir, Tintic and Western Train Club, HO President, has gotten a bunch of us to commit to building enough modules to put together an oval display in HO Scale. We can always use more folks and more modules. We are building the modules to Free-Mo Double Track Main standards and to NMRA module standards.

The basics of the Free-Mo Double Track Main standard is the modules are 26" wide and 4', 6' or 8' in length; with the tracks at the boundary of the module offset from the center 1". What happens in the middle of your module is up to you.

The basics of the NMRA standard is three main lines, 4", 6", and 8" from the front of the module at the module boundary. Again, what happens in the middle is up to you and your imagination.

Deviating from the Free-Mo standard top of rail height of 51", these modules will be at 41", making them more enjoyable by the younger patrons at our train show.

If you are interested in joining in the fun, contact Mike Nelson at: i_m_loco@hotmail.com.

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Pizza Box Layout Tour



SAVE THE DATE! Saturday - August 13, 2022

We are having a layout tour in August at Geoff Carter's home for the Pizza Box Group. The Pizza Box Group wants to invite all those who helped out or wish they could of helped out to sign up. (this is an offer to all in the division).

Use the QR code to sign up or click on the link below.



<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0444A9A823A4F85-pizza>

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Division News Items



New Division Shirts



Men's Polo Shirt



Women's Polo Shirt

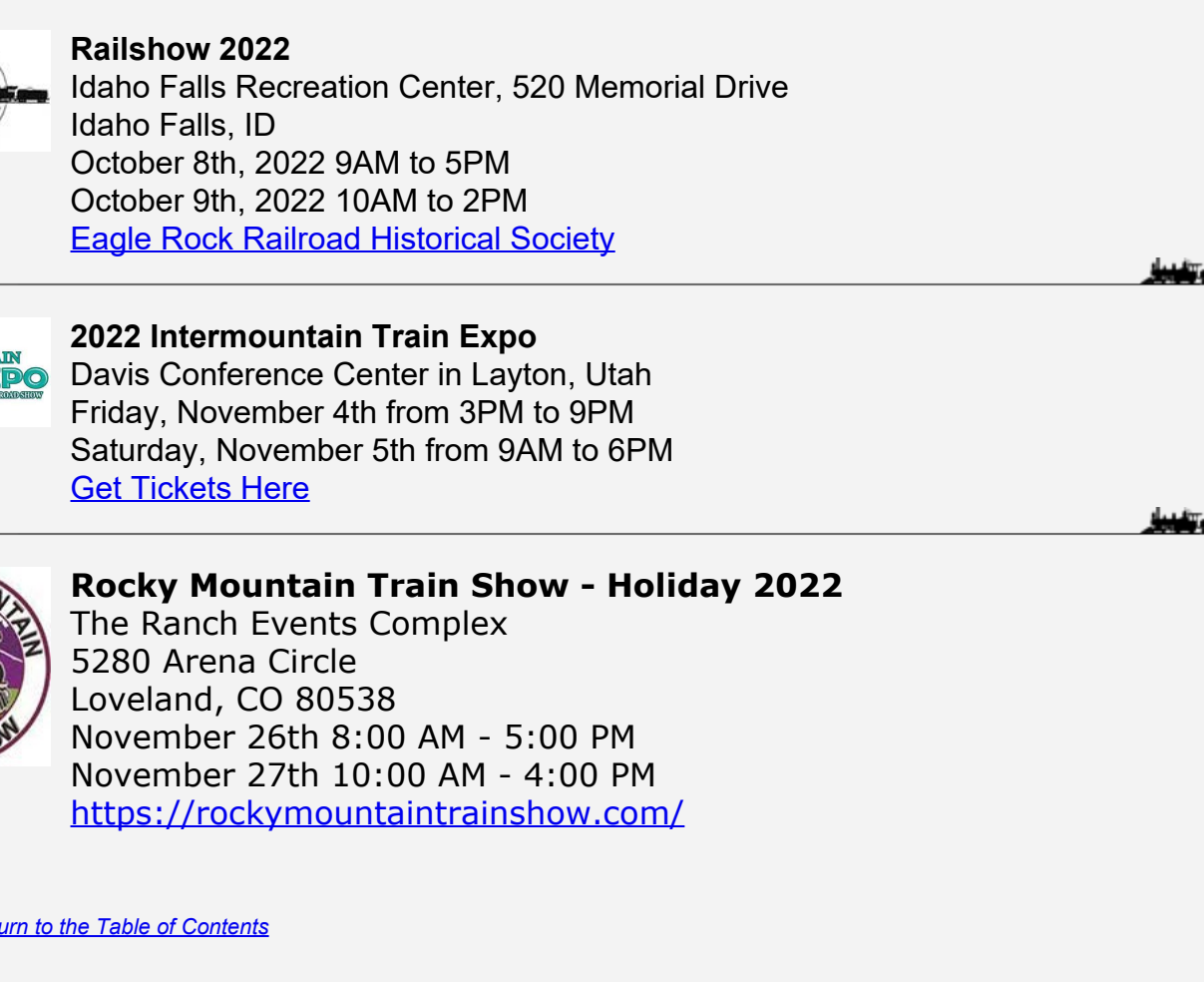
New division Polo Shirts are being ordered. For the guys it is the Port Authority Pique Knit Sport Shirt with Pocket (Style K420P) in Royal Blue. For the gals it is the same style and color shirt in a women's cut without a pocket (Style: L420). Both will have the Northern Utah Division, NMRA logo embroidered on the left breast. We will be charging only \$10.00 for the first shirt and if you want any additional shirts you can pay full price (\$35.00) for current NMRA members.

To reserve your division shirt, you need to send an email to Geoff Carter at: gkc450219@gmail.com with the size(s) and quantities you want. The order will go in on or before April 22nd. Pay when shirts are delivered.

A recap of the Bristlecone & Bricks show in Ely, NV.

By Geoff Carter

Keith Osonjak and Geoff Carter took a Time Saver Switching Puzzle to Ely. The attendance was pretty decent for being in the middle of nowhere. There was, of course, the folks from NUT-LUG who sponsored the show with a pretty impressive display. Color Country T-Track was there as well as a T-Track group from Las Vegas. There was a the equivalent of Live Saver Utah (only for Nevada) there passing out train safety information. Nicholas O'Dell from Twin Falls, ID brought his two HO modules that had a laser cut replica of the Ely Depot that was very impressive. The Time Saver had some major electrical issues, but we were able to improvise and still offer a rewarding experience to the kids who came to play with the trains. And, Keith was able to take advantage of the free train ride behind the newly renovated #83 steam locomotive. He said he had fun riding in the open passenger car, but complained about being covered in soot and cinders!



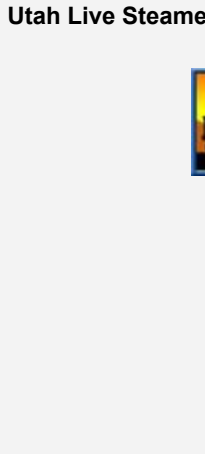
We got lost going to Ely because we missed the turnoff for Highway 6, and ended up taking the scenic route via Highway 50. Coming back through Wendover was uneventful except for the bird strike in the middle of the windshield. The critter only left a smudge mark. I'm pretty sure he was feeling it the next morning (if he survived). Rush hour traffic between Ely and Wendover was horrendous, we got passed by one car and met less than twenty going the other way! 🤔



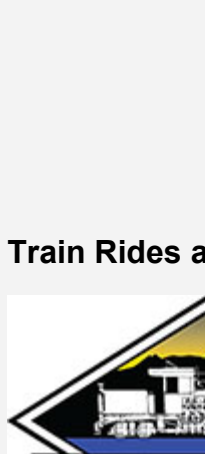
2022 National N Scale Convention
Sheraton Music City Nashville Airport
777 McGavock Pk, Nashville, TN 37214
Extra Fare Tuesday, June 14
June 15, 2022
June 19, 2022
<https://www.nationalscaleconvention.com/>



24th Annual Roundhouse Festival
August 5, 2022 4PM to 8PM
August 6, 2022 9AM to 6PM
August 7, 2022 10AM - 2:30PM
1440 Main St, Evanston, Wyoming



2022 42nd National Narrow Gauge Convention
Hotel Murano in Tacoma, WA
September 1, 2022
September 4, 2022
<https://seattlenngc.com>



Railshow 2022
Idaho Falls Recreation Center, 520 Memorial Drive
Idaho Falls, ID
October 8th, 2022 9AM to 5PM
October 9th, 2022 10AM to 2PM
[Eagle Rock Railroad Historical Society](https://www.eaglerockrailroadhistoricalsociety.com/)



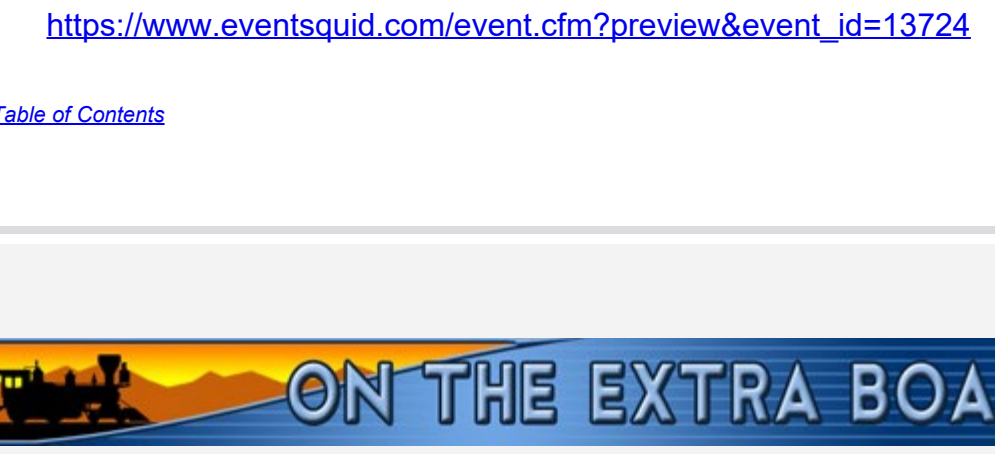
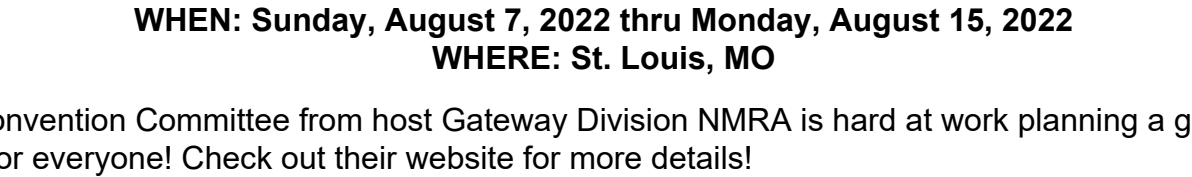
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Saturday, November 5th from 9AM to 6PM
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Rocky Mountain Train Show - Holiday 2022
The Ranch Events Complex
5280 Arena Circle
Loveland, CO 80538
November 26th 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
November 27th 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
<https://rockymountaintrainshow.com/>

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South Weber Club Model Railroad Club



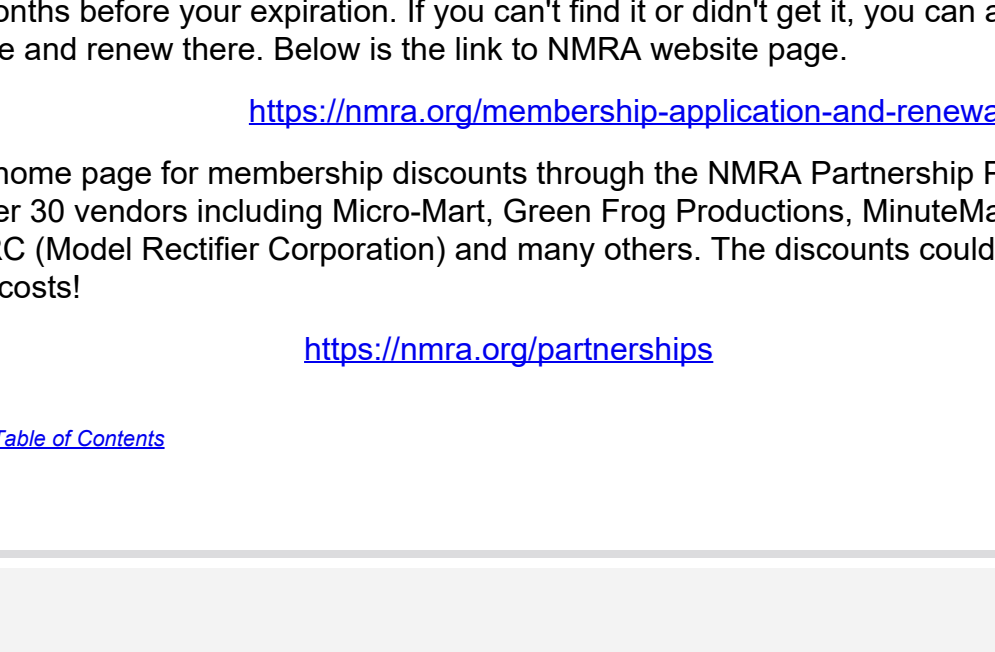
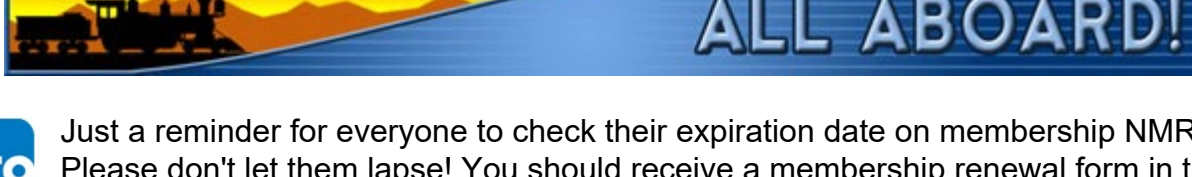
Join us at Canyon Meadows Park (631 Petersen Pkwy, South Weber, Utah) June 18th for train rides around the park! The train rides are free but donations are greatly appreciated to maintain the trains and expand the track. The park offers a large space with lots of grass and a playground along with plenty of shade from trees. Bring your friends and family and be ready for fun!

Visit our website at <http://southweberrr.webs.com/>

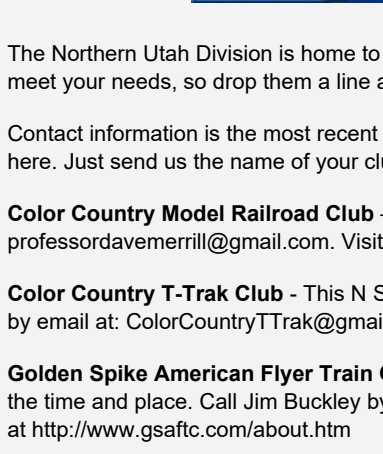
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Utah Live Steamers



Train Rides at Shay Park!



**June 18th
July 2nd & 16th
August 6th & 20th
September 3rd & 17th**

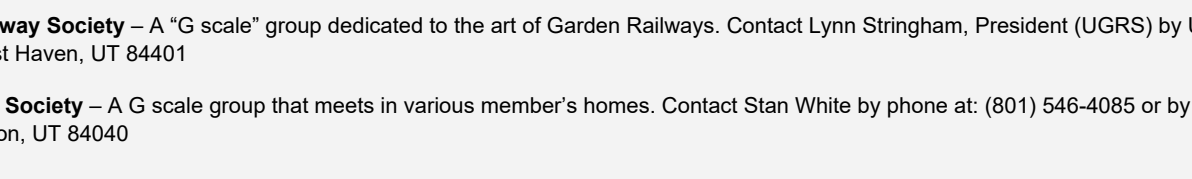
Times will vary from 10am-1pm and 9am-noon, depending on the heat index. Please check our events page on Facebook the day of the event to check for time changes or cancellations due to weather.

Please remember that this is a volunteer club that owns, maintains, and operates the railroad. We ask for a \$2.00 per person donation. We appreciate any donations, and we are a 501(c) organization for tax deductions and sponsors.

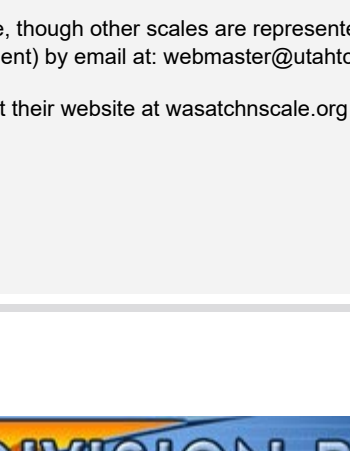
<https://www.facebook.com/shayparkrailroad>

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NMRA National Convention News



DON'T MISS OUT!



2022 NMRA National Convention and National Train Show
WHEN: Sunday, August 7, 2022 thru Monday, August 15, 2022
WHERE: St. Louis, MO

The 2022 Convention Committee from host Gateway Division NMRA is hard at work planning a great experience for everyone! Check out their website for more details!

https://www.eventsqid.com/event.cfm?preview&event_id=13724

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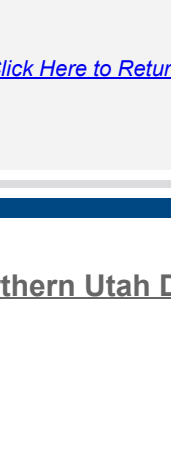


Catch up on all the past issues of the Division Newsletter the "Promontory Post" on the division website. There is a multitude of information about our past clinics, photos from layout tours, conventions, train shows, links to interesting information and the chance to get to know our fellow members. Just click the button below and learn more!

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NMRA Membership Renewal



Just a reminder for everyone to check their expiration date on membership NMRA cards. Please don't let them lapse! You should receive a membership renewal form in the mail months before your expiration. If you can't find it or didn't get it, you can always go on-line and renew there. Below is the link to NMRA website page.

<https://nmra.org/membership-application-and-renewal>

Also check NMRA home page for membership discounts through the NMRA Partnership Program. You can get discounts at over 30 vendors including Micro-Mart, Green Frog Productions, MinuteMan Scale Models, Motrak Models, MRC (Model Rectifier Corporation) and many others. The discounts could add up to what a years membership costs!

<https://nmra.org/partnerships>

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The Club Car

The Northern Utah Division is home to many outstanding modeling clubs, in every scale from Z to Live Steam. You are sure to find at least one of them that will meet your needs, so drop them a line and join the fun!

Contact information is the most recent we have on file. If you have a railroad modeling club in the state of Utah, we would be happy to include your information here. Just send us the name of your club, the scales you support in your club, and how prospective members may contact your club.

Color Country Model Railroad Club – This multi-scale club is located in the Southern Utah Division in St. George, Utah. Contact Dave Merrill by email at: professoradventer@gmail.com. Visit their website at <http://colorcountrytrains.org/sud/>

Color Country T-Trak Club - This N scale club, located in the Southern Utah Division in St. George, Utah, uses the T-Trak modular system. Contact the club by email at: ColorCountryTTrak@gmail.com. Visit their website at <http://www.cctc.info>

Golden Spike American Flyer Train Club – This S scale club meets the third Friday of each month at various club member homes. Their newsletter contains the time and place. Call Jim Buckley by phone at: (801) 252-1921 or by email at: jamesbuckley7@comcast.com. Visit their website at <http://www.gsafrc.com/about.htm>

Golden Spike Train Club of Utah – This HO/HO3 100% NMRA club meets Saturday Evenings from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm, at the Old Children's Museum of Utah (840 N 300 West, SLC). Open Houses are held on the 2nd Saturday of the month from 12-4 pm. Contact Mark Forslund by phone at (801) 641-6586 for more information. Out of the area memberships are available. Visit their website at www.goldenspiketrainclubutah.org

Great Basin Lego Train Club – Adult fans of LEGO. Meeting times and club info is posted on their website. Contact Reed Cowan by email at: gbltc@aol.com. Visit their website at <http://greatbasinlco.utahlug.org/>

HO3 Club of Northern Utah – Specializing in local narrow gauge railroads in HO3, this group meets informally and has a layout in Grantsville. Contact Fred Voelcker by email at: fred.voelcker@gmail.com

Hostlers Model Railroad Club – A "G scale" club, including live steam, includes the 3rd Wednesday of every month at Ogden's historic Union Station. Contact Mike Murphy by USPS mail at: 752 W 4375 South, Rivdale, UT 84405 or by phone at: (801) 394-4952. Visit their website at <http://hostlers.org>

O Scale Guys – An O and On3 scale club. Contact Steve Strebel by phone at: (801) 973-0367

Ophir, Tintic and Western – This 100% NMRA club models in HO and N and meets at the SCERA Theater Boardroom (745 South State Street, Orem) at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of every month. Contact Larry Carter by email at larry_carter@gmail.com or by phone at (801) 448-8161 Visit their website at <http://www.otwtrainclub.com/>

Railway & Locomotive Historical Society (Golden Spike Chapter) – An historically oriented group of researchers and preservationists, the Golden Spike chapter of the R&LHS meets every second Tuesday at noon at Two Bit Street Cafe on 25th Street in Ogden and is presently in the midst of the restoration of the D&RGV #223. Visit their website at <http://www.srv223.org>

South Weber Model Railroad Club – This 1-1/2" club runs trains every 3rd Saturday & Sunday at South Weber Canyon Meadows Park. I-84 exit #85, two blocks south, two blocks east. Visit their website at <http://southweberrr.webs.com/>

Utah Free-MO – A travelling HO Modular group conforming to the Free-MO standard. Contact Mike Nelson by email at: i_m_loco@hotmail.com

Utah Free-moN – We subscribe to the N scale Free Mo standards. You can find us on Facebook at Utah Free-moN.

Utah Garden Railway Society – A "G scale" group dedicated to the art of Garden Railroads. Contact Lynn Stringham, President (UGRS) by USPS mail at: 4464 S 4100 West, West Haven, UT 84401

Utah Large Scale Society – A G scale group that meets in various member's homes. Contact Stan White by phone at: (801) 546-4085 or by USPS mail at: 920 N 1550 East, Layton, UT 84040

Utah Live Steamers – Our railroad is at Shay Park, 400 West Aspen Hills Blvd, Saratoga Springs, UT which encompasses 12 acres. The key feature is the abandoned railroad grade of the Salt Lake & Western Railroad. Our track gauge is 7.5" and we have a new, beautiful 1.6" scale locomotive to pull twice as many cars as before. Rides are 1st and 3rd Saturday of the Summer months. Contact Mike at utahlivesteamers@gmail.com or watch Facebook for event listings. <https://www.facebook.com/cmry260/>

Utah Train Collectors Association – Primarily 3-rail O gauge, though other scales are represented. Promotes model railroading in Northern Utah. Meets the last Thursday of each month. Contact Kent Silver (Club President) by email at: webmaster@utahuca.com. Visit their website at <http://utahuca.com/default.htm>

Wasatch N Scale Model Railroad Club - For contact info visit their website at wasatchnscale.org

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Northern Utah Division Officers

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