

CHATTANOOGA MODULAR MODELERS

NEWSLETTER, April, 2014

General Information

Dale Bryant and Owen Maddux have been working on the 501(c)(3) application but it has not yet been submitted. We got our charter from the State of Tennessee as a non-profit corporation in September, 2013 which cost \$100.00. We took in \$210.00 from dues in 2013. We recently learned that since we were not an IRS charitable corporation in 2013, that dues were income. I ask two CPAs. The club had \$110.00 in expenses in 2013 thus net income of \$100.00; so we had to pay the IRS \$15.00 in corporate income tax for 2013 on \$100.00 of net income.

Treasurer Report

John Watson says that we now have \$ 714.33 in our checking account and \$99.00 in our share account at the TVA Credit Union due to dues, tee shirt sales and the fact that Dale lent-gave the club \$500.00.

Editorial

The Club in my opinion needs to do something at least 6 times a year. Club members went train watching one Saturday in Atlanta and later about eight of us went to the Piedmont train show in Atlanta as well as train watching that afternoon in Austell so far this year. Several ideas I have, since I have yet to see a module that any of the club members have, would be to set some of them up that have switching tracks and industries, not all, and have a switching meet; even a contest. At that event we could have a swap of freight cars. I personally have several duplicate cars with the same number that I would like to trade or swap or sell to get other cars that I do not have. Another idea I have would be for a member who knows what he is doing to give a demonstration of how to install a decoder that has just wires that will need to be soldered. Perhaps that person could also demonstrate how to install a sound decoder with speaker.

Bill Orman has offered to allow the use of his large garage to set up some modules and have a switching session. He says we could do this on a Saturday morning for 2 or 3 hours and then go eat together at a place near his home in the Soddy area. He wants to do this before it gets hot since his garage is not air conditioned. Who has the modules that would allow switching and could set them up? With the right track one would only need 10 to 14 feet to have a real switching workout.

If you have any ideas for a program and or a place to meet, please let one of the officer or directors know what you are thinking. The officers are: Dale Bryant, Pres. at livewire@fbright.com; Mark McAllister, V-P at mlmcallister@gmail.com; John Watson Treasurer at watson.icw@gmail.com; Owen Maddux, Secretary at owenmaddux@yahoo.com; Lloyd Coon, Director at lacybw@netscape.net; Scott Denson, Director at sdenson03@windstream.net; and Bill Orman, Director at worman@epbfi.com.

Upcoming events that are close to Chattanooga

- 4/19/14 Gadsden, AL, Coosa Valley Model RR Assoc. 9am to 4 pm Train Show and Sale, at the Gadsden Conventional Hall, 344 South First Street, Gadsden, AL 35901. Admission: Adults \$5, Children under 12-Free**
- 4/26/14 Wartrace, TN Dixie Line Days Train Show 9am to 5 pm at the Walking Horse Hotel, Sponsored by the Dixie Flyer Hobby Shop and the TN Valley Model RR Club. It will have dealer swap tables, operating model RR (various scales), how to clinics, switching problem contest, modeling contest, CSX main line action across the street from the hotel. Admission: \$ 5, under 12 \$ 3, Dealer Tables \$ 10, Directions: From I-24 exit #105 then go west to Wartrace. For information call (615) 428-7366**

Not So Close Event

5/29/14 through 6/1/14 is a four day event at the North Carolina Transportation Museum at Spencer NC. The Museum is scheduled to have 29 streamliners (may add more) and the N&W J 611 which the NC Museum is rehabbing for the Virginia Transportation Museum so that 611 can start participating in Norfolk Southern's 21st Century Steam excursions in 2015.

Here is a list of the engines from the 1930s through the 1950s that will be on display:

1. Atlantic Coastline E3 No. 501	2. Southern Railway FP7 No. 6133
3. Southern Railway E8 No. 6900	4. Norfolk Southern F9 No. 4270
5. Norfolk Southern F9 No. 4271	6. Juniata Terminal Co. E8 No. 5711
7. Juniata Terminal Co. E8 No. 5809	8. Lackawanna No. 663
9. Lackawanna No. 664	10. New Haven No. 2019
11. Wabash No. 1189	12. Canadian National No. 6789
13. Soo Line No. 2500-A	14. Reading F7 No. 284
15. Pan Am Railway No. 1	16. Wabash No. 1009
17. Iowa Pacific No. 515	18. B&O No. 722
19. C&O No. 8016	20. Class J 611 Steam Locomotive

Go to <http://www.nctrans.org/Streamliners-At-Spencer--May-29---June-1,-2014.aspx> for to see pictures of the Locomotives and for more information and ticket prices.

Coming Events

4/5/14	Steam Trip	TVRR, Bristol, TN	To Radford, VA; Fees vary
5/5,6/14	Train Show	6340 126 th Ave. N Largo, FL	9 am to 3 pm both days;\$ 6 admission
4/6/14	Steam Trip	TVRR, Bristol, TN	To Bulls Gap, TN: Fees vary
4/11-13/14	Train Show	6901 US Hwy 19, Pinellas Park FL	10 am to 6 pm; \$4 admission
4/12/14	Railfair	3150 E. New York Ave., Deland FL	9 am to 4 pm; \$7 admission
4/12/14	TC Excursion	Nashville, TN	To Watertown; Easter Bunny Trip
4/12/14	Steam Trip	TVRR, Grundy, VA	To Devon, WV; Fees vary
4/13/14	Steam Trip	TVRR, Grundy, VA	To Devon, WV; Fees vary
4/19/14	Train Shop	Gaston, AL	9 am to 4 pm; Admission cost unknown
4/19/14	TC Excursion	Nashville, TN	To Watertown; Easter Bunny Trip II
4/19/14	Steam Trip	TVRR, Chattanooga	To Cleveland TN; Fees vary
4/19/14	Train Show	750 N. Home Road, Mansfield, OH	10 am to 4 pm; \$5 admission
4/26/14	TC Excursion	Nashville, TN	To Watertown, Mile-Long Yard Sale
4/26/14	Train Show	7177 58 th St. N, Pinellas, FL	10 am to 3 pm; \$5 admission
4/26/14	Train Show	Wartrace	9 am to 5 pm, \$5 admission
5/3/14	TC Excursion	Nashville, TN	To Monterey; Dogwood Spring Festival
5/3/14	Train Show	124 E Ritchie, Marceline, MO	9 am to 4 pm; \$4 admission
5/3/14	Train Show	2320 S. Grand Ave., Carthage, MO	9 am to 3 pm; \$3 admission
5/3/14	Train day Celeb.	AMTRAK station, Toledo, OH	9:30 am to 4 pm; no charge
5/3/14	Train Show	3610 S. Florida Ave., Inverness, FL	9 am to 3 pm; \$5 admission
5/3/14	Train Show	277 Expo Rd., Fishersville, VA	10 am to 4 pm; \$5 admission

5/4-7/14	Train Meet	Hilton Garden Inn, Chattanooga	RR Industry Modeling SIG http://watt.rrsig.org Cost \$150.00
5/10/2014	National Train Day		For events go to http://nationaltrainday.com
5/17/14	TC Excursion	Watertown, TN	To Watertown; Train Robbery Trip
5/17/14	Steam Trip	TVRR, Ludlow, KY	To Danville, KY; Fees vary
5/17,18/14	N Scale Weekend	Franklin Co. Fairgrounds, Hilliard, OH	10 am to 5 pm Sat.; 9am to 3 pm Sun.
5/17,18/14	Open House	K & I Model RR Club 3713 W. Hwy. 146 Buckner, KY	10 am to 4 pm Sat, 11 am to 4 pm Sun no admission charged
5/18/14	Steam Trip	TVRR-Ludlow, KY	To Danville, KY; Fees vary
6/26-29/14	East Tennessee & Western Carolina RR (Tweetsie)	Convention Carnegie Hotel, Johnson City, TN	
5/29-6/1/14	Streamlines	NC Transportation Museum	Spencer, NC 4 day event with 29 streamliners and the VA Transportation Museum's N&W J 611 go to http://www.nctrans.org/Streamliners-At-Spencer--May-29---June-1,-2014.aspx
5/31/14	Steam Trip	TVRR, Lexington, KY	To Oneida, TN; Fees vary
5/31/14	Train Show	6436 Broad St., Brooksville, FL	10 am to 3 pm; \$5 admission
6/1/14	Steam Trip	TVRR, Lexington, KY	To Oneida, TN; Fees vary
6/6-8/14	CSX Transportation Historical Society 2014 Convention	Pikeville, KY	For further information, visit: www.csxthsociety.org
6/7/14	Steam Trip	TVRR, Chattanooga, TN	To Stearns, KY; Fees vary
6/13-15/14	SER Convention	1100 Cherry Road, Memphis, TN	Joint with Mid-Continent Region
6/14-15/14	Train Show	900 SW 20 th St., Ocala, FL	9 am to 4 pm Sat., 10 am to 2 pm Sun \$4 admission
6/21/14	TC Excursion	Nashville, TN	To Baxter; DelMonaco Winery Trip
6/28/14	Train Show	441 Paul Russell Rd, Tallahassee, FL	9 am to 4 pm see www.bbmra.org
7/12/14	TC Excursion	Nashville, TN	To Watertown; Murder Mystery Trip
7/13-20/14	NMRA Convention	Cleveland, OH	Website: www.2014cleveland.org
7/18-20/14	Train Show	Cleveland, OH	National Train Show
7/19/14	TC Excursion	Nashville, TN	To Baxter; DelMonaco Winery Trip

8/9-10/14	Greenberg Show	Dullas Expo Center, Chantilly, VA	10 am to 4 pm (both days) \$8 admission
9/3-6/14	Convention	Kansas City, KS	National Narrow Gage Convention www.34thnngc.com
9/19-20/14	Atlanta Prototype Meet	Kennesaw, GA	Southern Museum of Civil War and Locomotive History, Sponsored by the Southern, ACL and Seaboard Airlines, Central of GA, and NC & ST L Historical associations. To learn more go to www.srha.net
8/28-30/15	NMRA Conv.	Portland, OR	website: www.nmra2015portland.org
8/28-30/14	Train Show	Portland, OR	National Train Show

Bluff City Division and the Memphis Railroad & Trolley Museum

Presents

SER/MCOR NMRA CONVENTION

Harding Academy

110 Cherry Road

Memphis, TN 38177

June 13th-15th. 2014

[Rails Across the River \(in Memphis\)](http://www.ser-nmra.org/conventions) the Joint Convention of the SER and the MCoR. Visit www.ser-nmra.org/conventions to register. Registration is open for

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