2017 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

Mar 9  TCRM Thursday Night Meeting Nashville TN
Mar 11  Excursion Train trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN
Mar 18  Model Railroading Open House TCRM Nashville TN
Mar 25  Train Collectors Assoc Spring Show at Donelson 1st Baptist Church Nashville TN
Apr  8  TCRM Open House & Cumberland Division Spring Division Meet Nashville TN
Apr 15  Easter Bunny Excursion Train to Watertown TN
Apr 22  Excursion Train to Watertown TN Mile-Long Yard Sale
Apr 29  Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN
May  6  Excursion Train to Monterey TN Spring Festival
May 20  Train Robbery Excursion Train to Watertown TN
June 10  Muddy Roots Charter Trip to DelMonaco Winery Baxter TN
June 24  NRHS Convention Charter Trip to Lebanon TN

March Meeting Program

Our March meeting program will be a 2nd presentation of the car host safety certification class. If you want to work as a car host on our excursion train, you need to attend this class. Be sure to bring “an effective writing instrument” & your car host handbook.

Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night meetings, please contact Bob Hultman landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187 E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Excursion Train News

By Bob Hultman

Our 4th trip for 2017 is our Winery Train Trip to DelMonaco Winery on Mar 11. Safety meeting starts at 7 am, departure at 8:30 am & return around 6 pm.

We are always looking for TCRM members to help work these trips. To do so, contact Bob Hultman landline 615-833-5158 or cell 615-513-7187, E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Model RR Fun Run & Open House Mar 18

By Bob Hultman & Ed Minnich

The Cumberland Valley Modular Railroaders and TC Hobby Shop are joining Nashville Ntrak in sponsoring a Model Railroading Open House at TCRM on March 18, 2017. All of us are working hard to finalize a program tailored for “would be” model railroaders. Guests will be invited to “bring their own HO and N scale trains” to run on our tracks, or will have “hands on” opportunities to run club trains. We’ll also conduct a couple of “Introduction to Model Railroading” clinics. Thanks in advance to TCRM for giving us full support on this endeavor. It would be ideal to add a small Lionel layout to the mix where guests can have a hands-on experience. Anyone interested in participating should contact Ed at ebminn@gmail.com or call 615.416.2892.

The Buntin Group – Our New Neighbors

By Terry Bebout

I met with the CEO yesterday (Feb 19) and he is very happy to be our new neighbor. They will be very supportive of our Museum and the activities we do including the Day Out with Thomas. It may be as much as a year before they actually move in. Currently they are in the design phase of the renovation. I don't think they plan on fencing the gravel lot. They did also offer for us to use their front lot for parking on weekends if we wished.

Looks like they will be great neighbors.

Activity Fee for 2017 - Renewal

TCRM annual membership renewal is now due. Please mail your activity fee renewals ($35 individual, $40 family membership), made payable to TCRM to TC Ry Museum at 220 Willow St in Nashville TN 37210-2159 Attn – Shakela Lawler. If you prefer to renew via credit or debit card, please call Shakela at 615-244-9001 or stop by the Museum to do so in person. Also, be sure to include any updated roster information (name, family member names, mailing address, phone numbers & current E-mail addresses).

HO Model RR News

By Bob Hultman

TCRM & NMRA member Patrick Slota is continuing his more-compatible-with-DCC rewiring of the 36’ yard. He’s removed all the old wiring and replacing with DCC track power bus wiring plus a 12 VDC power buss wiring to run the Tortoise switch motors. This means the RR will not be operational for several days. His goal is to have it back operational by March 5.

We have procured 3 pieces of TC Ry-lettered freight rolling stock from the Don Gage estate- these are Cumberland Div limited run car kits, 2 Red Caboose TC Ry 79xx series box cars & 1 Ahearn 2-bay offset-side open hopper.

Anyone wanting further information on HO model RR activities, contact Bob Hultman 615-833-5158, cell 615-513-7187 E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net for further information.

Nashville Ntrak News

By Ed Minnich

Nashville Ntrak is open to all TCRM members and meets most every Tuesday afternoon and early evening. It’s best to call the museum office to confirm if Ntrak is meeting on a given day. Interested folks do not need trains and are not required to construct a module. We have lots of opportunities for everyone. Participation in Nashville Ntrak is a great way to learn about all the various aspects of model railroading even if you’re planning to model in a different scale. Visitors are always welcome, but beware, we may put you to work! Please contact Jimmie Guthrie at r.guthrie@aol.com or 615.472.2364 for additional information.

See Other Side for More

Thursday Night Meeting – 6:30 pm Mar 9 at TCRM
Parking Crew Help Needed
By Bob Hultman

The parking crew will need more people to help with parking in 2016 and 2017. Lawrence Lilly is our parking crew manager.

Parking for our excursion trips only requires 2-3 hours per any Saturday that you can help. It may not be glamorous but is a very important part of our excursion trips. If the parking crew can get enough volunteers to help out they would only have to help 1 or 2 Saturdays a month. All help would be greatly appreciated. If you want to part of this crew you may contact Lawrence at 615-319-5646 or 615-641-2415 or E-mail brucelilly1970@gmail.com. Thanks ahead of time for the help.

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

Mar 18, 2017 Model RR Open House sponsored by Nashville Ntrak & Cumberland Division at TCRM in Nashville TN

Mar 25, 2017 Train Collectors Assoc Spring Show at Donelson 1st Baptist Church Nashville TN

Apr 8, 2017 TCRM Open House & Cumberland Div Meet-Model Train Show at TCRM in Nashville TN

June 9-10 SouthEastern Region NMRA 2017 Convention-Crossroads of Dixie Birmingham AL
Hosted by Steel City Division

July 21-22, 2017 8th Annual Madison Train Show
City Road Chapel Methodist Church at 701 Gallatin Pike S
Madison, TN
Nathan Baker, Madison Train Show Chairman
cell: 615-612-3324 e-mail: nathanbaker@comcast.net


Nov 18, 2017 Cumberland Div Meet-Model Train Show at TCRM in Nashville TN