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TCRM Excursion Train 25th Anniversary
By Terry Bebout

Just wanted to provide you all some details concerning the 25th anniversary celebration in May. As you already know we are having a small coal-burning live steam engine brought in (comes in by truck) that will be the focal point of our celebration. You can see the exact engine that is coming in by looking it up on the Internet- Flagg Coal Company #75. The owners of the steam engine come in with it for operation.

Tuesday May 27- Steam engine arrives by truck, unloading at TCRM.

Wednesday May 28- Media Day. Operate steam engine at Southern Jct yard area for news media.

Thursday May 29-Special TCRM members day. Operate steam engine at Southern Jct yard area during the day. Be sure to call of E-mail Marilyn (615-244-9001 or mtitans08@aol.com) to reserve your time to operate the steam locomotive. Special catered evening meal at 6 pm under tent. Entertainment by Grand Ole Opry Star Buddy Jewell. Special members’ excursion from TCRM to MP 5.6 and return at 7:30 pm.

Friday May 30-Continuation of media day if necessary.

Saturday May 31- Public excursions at 9 am, 12 noon & 3 pm from TCRM to MP 5.6 and return.

Sunday June 1- Public excursions at 1 pm and 4 pm from TCRM to MP 5.6 and return.

Keep in mind this is a small steam engine that operates at an average speed of 10 mph. Another locomotive will be at the other end of the train for assistance and making the return trip. We will probably only have 5-6 coaches in the consist. During the public excursion days TCRM will be open with various displays. Included will be one of the NERR Dash 8-40BW locomotives for cab tours.

2014 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule
May 31-June 1 TCRM Steam Excursion Trains 25th Anniversary Celebration Nashville TN
June 13-15 SER Regional Convention – Rails Across The River Memphis TN
June 21 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
July 12 Murder Mystery Excursion Train to Watertown Music & Arts Festival
July 13-19 NMRA National Convention in Cleveland OH
July 19 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
Aug 9 Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter

June 2014 Program
Our June program will be the TCRM 25th Anniv Dinner and related activities…… We will have some announcements at some point during the dinner. Anyone wanting to present a program at our Thursday night meetings, please contact Bob Hultman cell 615-513-7187 E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Historic Coal Delivery to TCRM
By Bob Hultman

Today, May 21, saw a historic delivery to steam coal to TCRM. About 8 tons of nut-size coal was delivered by truck and dumped onto an old tent spread out on the ground next to the Gramling Locomotive Works trailer. The driver said the load was overloaded, so it took us about 45 minutes of prying and jacking to get the dump body to dump (the electric motor running the hydraulics system couldn’t lift the dump body). Here’s a photo by Terry Bebout

New Members
Ryan Richbark Nashville TN
Welcome to our new members as they take part in our activities.

Excursion Train News
By Bob Hultman

Our next public trips in May-June are our 1½-hr long steam excursion trips from TCRM, 3 on Saturday, May 31 and 2 on Sunday, June 1. Safety meeting for the Saturday trips starts at 7 am on dinner 3119; the Sunday June 1 trip safety meeting starts at 11 am. Crew sign-up sheets for these public steam trips will be at our 25th Anniversary dinner Thursday May 29.

Crew parking for these trips will be at Southern Junction since there will be a large tent occupying the usual parking area.

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

TCRM member Richard Douglas got the yellow safety stripe. On our concrete & asphalt platform repainted; it’s canary yellow color. A photo by Terry Bebout is on the other side

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Thursday Night Meeting – May 29, 2014 6:00 pm at TCRM Nashville TN
HO Model RR News
By Bob Hultman

Randal Brooks continues with tracklaying on his 12’ module group.

A large shipment of Scenic Express trees arrived, so hopefully this Memorial Day weekend Saturday, we’ll have a major forestation and rock casting installation effort. Come on down to TCRM this Saturday afternoon & see how it’s done.

Hobby Shop News
By Bob Hultman

Charles Owens has announced the hobby shop will be CLOSED on Saturday, May 24 (Memorial Day weekend). It will reopen Tuesday, May 27 at the normal time, noon to 4 pm.

The large fleet of motor vehicles has arrived and will be added to the RR soon. Come on by TCRM on Saturday afternoons & check on our progress………

Berry Headstart Class Visits TCRM
By Marilyn O’Neal

Today, May 15, we had an excellent group of children in Ms. Geraldine’s room from Berry Headstart. We were appreciative of all the helpers that showed up to help up with the children. We sure did miss representation from Nashville Ntrak. These children answered every question with enthusiasm and correctly and I do believe they were proud of their own knowledge. By the end of their visit they knew stop, look and listen-----don't play on the tracks-----don't play on the tracks, don't put anything on the tracks and I could go on and on.............they listened.....they learned and had a great time ..........and we were proud to have them.

Again from the bottom of our hearts we thank you for teaching these children about us. TCRM members & staff- Fred Enters, Bob Hultman, Kim McGill, Marilyn O’Neal, Mark Perry, Barbara & Gordon Sutla, Pete Weaver.

Upcoming Conventions & Shows

June 13-15  SER Joint Regional Convention with 
   Mid-Continent Region – Rails Across The River 
   Memphis TN

July 13-19  NMRA 2014 Cleveland National Convention in 
   Cleveland OH   http://www.2014cleveland.org

July 25-26  5th Annual Madison Train Show 
LARGEST MIDDLE TN MULTI –SCALE 
SUMMER TRAIN SHOW
Fri July 25 – 3 pm to 6:00 pm (private running 
   session for modelers, 6:00 to 8:00 pm)
Sat July 26 - 9 am to 3:30 pm 65 vendor tables, 5 
   layouts. Vendor tables are still available.
For info, Call Nathan Baker, Madison Train Show 
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