2013-2014 Cumberland Div-TCRM Schedule

Oct 5  Train Robbery Excursion Train to Watertown
   SOLD OUT

Oct 10  TCRM Thursday Night Meeting at TCRM Nashville
Oct 12  Excursion Train- Spring Dogwood Festival Monterey
Oct 19  Super Fall Foliage I Excursion Train to Cookeville
Oct 26  Super Fall Foliage II Excursion Train to Cookeville
Nov 2   Cumberland Div Fall Meet-Model Train Show at TCRM
Nov 7   TCRM Thursday Night Meeting at TCRM Nashville
Nov 9   Murder Mystery Excursion Train to Watertown
Nov 15-17  Whistlestop Weekend at Adventure Science Center Nashville
Nov 16  Fall Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
   Nov 16 trip is SOLD OUT

Nov 30  North Pole Express Excursion Train with Santa to Watertown
Dec 7   North Pole Express Excursion Train with Santa to Lebanon – 2 Trips
Dec 14  North Pole Express Excursion Train with Santa to Lebanon – 2 Trips
Feb 8   Valentines Day Murder Mystery Trip to Watertown
Feb 15  Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
Mar 15  Excursion Train to DelMonaco Winery at Baxter
Mar 22  Cumberland Div Spring Meet-Model Train Show & TCRM Open House
Apr 12  Easter Bunny Excursion Train I to Watertown
Apr 19  Easter Bunny Excursion Train II to Watertown
Apr 26  Spring Mile-Long Yard Sale Excursion Train to Watertown

October 2013 Program

Our October 2013 program will be a presentation by Joey Bryan on the Fire Up 611! Project. He interned at Virginia Museum of Transportation and helped develop this project.

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

Host Committee – October 2013 Meeting

John Sparks*  Tom Spiggle  Tom Staggs
Bill Stewart  Don Strong  Bill Strunk
Harry Summer  Gordon Sutla  Aaron Tanzabel
Ernest Thompson  Robert Thurman  Steve Tomblin
Les Trainor  Gene Turner  Doug Uhler
* Host Committee Chair

New Members

Christina & Jeffrey Allender  Franklin TN (Family)
Dave Gilstorf  McMinnville TN
Norris Wilson  Nashville TN
Ms Lynn Woodward  Arrington TN

Welcome to our new members as they take part in our activities.

Excursion Train News
By Bob Hultman

Our next trip for 2013 is the Train Robbery Trip to Watertown on Oct 5. Safety meeting starts at 7 am, with departure at 9:00 am; return to Nashville should be about 3:15 pm or so. Sign-up sheets for the last three October trips will be at our Oct 10 meeting.

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

Fall 2013 Division Meet on Nov 2
By Bob Hultman

Our Fall 2013 Cumberland Vision Meet & Model Train Show will be Saturday, Nov 2, at TCRM. Dealer tables are selling well, TCRM member Russ Schneider has agreed to do a clinic on an automated method for speed-matching locomotives using the JMRI computer program. All the other usual activities will be part of the Meet. If anyone wants to present a clinic, please contact Bob Hultman at cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

HO Model RR News
By Bob Hultman

The HO modelers had a very successful run with our HO modular RR at the 2013 TN State Fair. We were in the north end of the Exhibitors Building. The RR ran well, no major mechanical or electrical problems (some memorable wrecks when one train ran into the rear of the train ahead). TCRM member Mike Irwin had his 8’ of straight modules depicting a British village with a station and a goods shed and a signal box. Overall, the RR was 8’ shorter in total distance than the 2012 setup. The configuration starting from the northwest corner and going clockwise-

CVMR Outside Corner
Quincy Styke III’s Stykedale 12’
George Gilbert’s Forge Creek 4’
Mike Irwin’s British Village 8’ NEW!
CVMR Outside Corner
CVMR Sircy Yard 36’
Horton Monroe’s Central of Georgia Yard 12’
Horton Monroe’s My-T-Fine Motel 4’
Len Hollinger’s Firestone Tire & Rubber 16’
Bill Griffith’s Country Freight House 4’
CVMR Outside Corner
CVMR Staging Yard 24’
CVMR Outside Corner
CVMR OTTO Tower 24’
CVMR Outside Corner
Andy & Thomas Mogish’s Seaside Wharf 4’
CVMR Geezer Gate 4’

Continued on other side
CVMR Inside Corner
Russ Schneider’s Milwaukee Rd Passenger Station 20’
CVMR Inside Corner
Andy & Thomas Mogish’s Engine Facility 8’
CVMR Outside Corner
Quincy Styke III’s Pulpwood Yard 4’
Andy & Thomas Mogish’s Farm Scene 4’

Total distance around the RR is ~ 248’, a bit more than 4 scale miles & 8’ shorter than the 2012 setup.

Many, many thanks to all who helped take down the RR in the TCRM meeting room, move it to temporary storage, haul & set it up @ TSF. Lots of work but the Fair attendees always enjoy the RR and we’re able to promote TCRM, DOWT, our excursion trains and our model RR activities for 10 days and take home $500 for the Cumberland Division-TCRM treasury.

2013 Whistlestop Weekend Nov 15-17
By Bob Hultman

Adventure Science Center’s 2013 Whistlestop Weekend Will be Nov 15 thru 17. This is 1 week later than previous years. ASC’s Larry Dunlap-Berg said the reason for ASC moving the date 1 week later into November is ASC hopes to increase attendance with the event closer to the holidays. Once again both Nashville Ntrak & Cumberland Division’s HO modular railroaders will be setting up modular RRs at ASC with the N scale RR being set up for several weeks into early January while the HO RR will be set up starting Sunday Nov 10 with takedown on Nov 17. Anyone interested in participating in the HO modular RR effort, please contact Bob Hultman at cell 615-513-7187 or E-mail hultman@bellsouth.net

Sick Call – Jimmy Tate
By Vic Petrone

Sep 20 2013 - As a lot of you may already know, President (Music City Chapter Train Collectors Association) Jim Tate suffered a stroke about two weeks ago right after our August train show. Currently, Jimmy is rehabilitation in Lebanon. His vision has been affected and his left hand and arm were also affected. Jimmy has regained some use of his arm and hand and luckily his left leg did not seem to suffer effects from the stroke.

Jimmy has a long road ahead of him to recover and hopefully with his family and many friends especially fellow TCA members he will make it. In the meantime, with the Christmas train show coming up the remaining chapter officers and Board of Directors will need all the help we can get to make this another successful event.

Please send any get well wishes and cards to the address below. I know Jimmy would love to hear from you and appreciates your continued thoughts and prayers.

Sep 28, 2013 - Hi All, I am sending this out at Jim Tate’s request. I spoke with him yesterday and he sounded good and is starting to make some progress. He has been walking more with the aid of his walker and moving around better. He still is experiencing trouble with vision and movement coordination with his left arm and leg. Hopefully, with more therapy and time these things will come back to normal. Jim wanted me to pass along his thanks for the many cards and visits he has had during this ordeal. They have been a great source of joy and have helped him deal with the recovery process better. He hopes to get home soon and continue his recovery to full steam ahead!

G Scale Items Available
By Terry Bebout
There is some G scale track, structures, bridges and scenery for the taking if anyone is interested. There are no trains. Contact is George at 615-428-0335. Location is in the Belle Meade area.

Upcoming Conventions & Shows
Nov 2 Cumberland Division Meet & Model Train Show at TCRM
Mar 22 Cumberland Division Spring 2014 Meet-Model Train Show & TC Ry Museum Open House at TCRM
July 13-19 NMRA 2014 Cleveland National Convention in Cleveland OH July 13-19
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