

Burning River News Letter

April 17, 2015

Meeting came to order at 7:35 p.m.
Approx. 18 members present.

We would first like to thank Mike Anderson for hosting this month's meeting and allowing us to enjoy his slot car track. Thank You Mike.

Treasury Report

\$7,372.00 total to start
\$ 300.00 in from shows
\$ 100.00 in from somewhere ????
\$ 410.00 out to Gordon. Reimbursed for deposit on trailer
\$4189.00 money order for Gordon to pay for trailer
\$3173.00 total currently

President's Report

The Dalton and Medina shows went well. Time/TLC was taken during setup and the insertion of rail jointers which eliminated more operating problems with the layout.

Much of Bob Mervis' has been sold and so far, Bob's wife has been presented with \$1100.00 and there is still more to sell.

Trailer has been ordered. More on that in a bit.

Charlie Colitre is has been getting more pledges in. I didn't get an amount though....Sorry. Charlie is also working on the tri-fold flyers. If you have any info or club history that you think he could use, please contact him.

Old Business

Save the date: Saturday, July 18th, BRNS will be having the ***second annual club picnic*** at the Northeast Ohio Live Steam Club Layout. Same place as last year. All had fun last year, so we're gonna do it again. Dale and Joe#1 will be organizing this event.

Jointer Tracks are still an issue. We are looking into getting some new ones and making jigs to cut them to the appropriate lengths. Please don't cut one to fit something at a show.

The trailer has been ordered....It is going to be Silver, have Diamond Plate around the base of the trailer, LED lighting, and is 24ft. long, 8ft. wide, 7ft inside height giving us a 6 1/2ft. door opening. It will be ready for pickup early May and Gordon will pick it up on his way home from vacation. He will be picking it up around May 5th.

Anyone interested in a new Module, contact Mike Farrow. He will be building some in the near future.

We've heard this before, but it's time to work on it. It was suggested that a "Welcome Packet" be put together for any new members to receive when they join us. It may have things like an N Scale Manual showing Requirements, Specs, and Regulations for them to get into N Scale and Ntrak. And it may have a club roster and who to call about "Stuff", Coordinator rules, Yard master info, and maybe even coming up with a Mentoring System or a Booby Plan to help Newbies along. These are just some ideas for this. If you have any thoughts or suggestions on this, please contact Jamie.

New Business

Work sessions will be coming up soon after N Scale Weekend.

Ntrak modules that need an annual "look at" were the track, wiring, and any needed repairs will be made. Scenery will also be freshened up on some modules. Noral volunteered to have some of these sessions at his home. He even promised us food if we show up.

The Ohio layout also needs some work in ballasting the track, replacing a switch, adding buildings and scenery, and some re-wiring.

The DCC system will be sent back to NCE after N Scale weekend to have it checked, repaired/refurbished if needed, and software updated. The system is about 10 years old and just needs a good going over.

Upcoming Events

May 15, NO CLUB MEETING

May 15-17, N Scale weekend in Columbus

June 17, Club Meeting at Jerry Kolar's Home

July 18, Second Annual Club Picnic at NEOLS. (Live Steamers on Lester Rd, Medina)

July ?, Proposed Work Sessions

Meeting adjourned 8:05

Gordon and Jerry Kolar did a DCC programming clinic

Secretary's Note

Jamie and Gorgon are co-coordinating N Scale Weekend. We have 13 members going. Gordon is coordinating the layout. The Ntrak layout will be setup at this show, and he would like to know who is bringing modules for the layout. Our dinner will still be Italian, but I have moved it to the Spaghetti Warehouse at 397 W. Broad Street in Columbus, OH. 43215. Dinner will be at 6:45 p.m. Reservations are made for 13. The money for shirts and all has been sent in, anyone else wanting to go, you're on your own.

And if the timing couldn't be better, as Gordon is bringing our new trailer back from Georgia, the property owned by Jamie's Brother-in-Law where the trailers are stored has been sold. He will be moving at the end of June, and we will need to move the trailers out by the middle of June. He (George Tomiselli) did tell me that if there is room at his new place, we are more than welcome to again keep the trailers there. So, this may be temporary, maybe not. We are currently looking for a short-term place to

put the trailers while everything gets sorted out. Sorry to bear bad news, but we knew the property was for sale. We do have a possible temporary place, but let me know if you have a possible solution for the trailers. –Jamie

Last but not the least; we have some steam engines coming to town.....

First we have Reading Railroads #2100 4-8-4 coming to the roundhouse in Cleveland on a flat car for some work. From what I understand, the engine is in very good shape and just need some semi-minor work done to her to get her back to steam. It is expected to be in town for the roundhouses open house next weekend (May 9th), but no guarantees. The trip to Cleveland has already taken longer than anticipated. It has 2 tenders coming with it too. I will send out a link separate of the newsletter.

Second, we have the Leviathan, which is an American style 4-4-0 coming to the RR Museum in Wellington OH., on Memorial Day Weekend. It will also have a car from President Lincolns Funeral Train there too.

Just some cool stuff to see. Enjoy