



THE BSG BULLETIN

NEWSLETTER OF THE BADGERLAND S GAUGERS

*"... A social club for the promotion of model railroading-
especially S gauge including American Flyer, hi-rail, scale
and other facets....*

Established 1975

2025 September Issue

It was May the weather was nice. Due to a small turnout, no general meeting was held.

We just had fun instead.

There was a Fall S Fest meeting and discussion.

Clubhouse Clatter

So, what's happening with the Badgerland S Gaugers
It's was summer, the outside weather is improving and model railroading activities traditionally slows down during that time of the year.

I only wish that activities slow down for your BSG club officers. Ther are a couple of us that will continue working on the club layout.

Summer is the time of the year that the Waukesha County Friday Night Live sessions start up for the summer. The event is held from 6:30 to 9:00 pm, Form June 6th thru August 29th, with the exception of July 4th. This is a pretty big deal in downtown Waukesha with streets being closed off from traffic and tons of entertainment venues.

The Gandy Dancers and the Badgerland S Gaugers had the clubhouse open to the public on those Friday nights. It's was another opportunity to come see our progress and see the building of a really impressive HO layout. Some of the features are incredible.

The Gandy Dancers set up an open house event on Wednesday, July 30th, from 7:00pm to 9:00pm with **Scale Trains**.

Scale Trains set up a display and had a lengthy presentation. It was an interesting and informative event. A lot of it centered around their founding and how they built their manufacturing facility. It also talked about their future plans. Admittedly a lot revolved around the production of HO and what was in the future for that line and N scale.

I would estimate that there were about 60 or more individuals that were in attendance, primarily HO modelers. After the main presentation there was a general question and answer period. Later they stopped by our layout and we talked about there future plans for S gauge.

For all who are unaware, they purchased the S-Helper manufacturing equipment and are currently producing a limited line of S gauge products. Keep in mind that HO is their major line along with N gauge. Due to the limited market for S gauge, new products may be slow in coming. In saying that they do make a superior product. If you liked S-Helper, you will like their merchandise.

A small number of S gaugers came up from Illinois and made some purchases from the Brad Nelson collection. All of Brad's large collection, along with a number of Badgerland inventory items of past members, are now at the clubhouse and for sale. Items are not just cars and engines; but structures and other accessories are also available.

Regarding the BSG layout the planned passing siding has been completed and a lot of the various donated structures from Gary children are on the layout. Noting is in the final position as of now.

Fall S Fest 2025

For some of us, slowing down doesn't happen when your club is hosting a Fall S Fest.

Hopefully by now, you have received your registration form in the mail for this year's event. If you did not receive a mailed registration, go to our website all the information is there.

We recommend that you register early. We also recommend, that you use the online format. This way you can print your register information to ensure that it was correctly submitted. It also assists us in tracking how many of each of the items remain in stock. In some cases, some of those items may no longer be available.

This year the cars will be \$60.00 each. For BSG members, who have paid their dues, the price will be \$55.00 each. To avoid having an overstock of cars after the event, this year's supply will be very limited. The first order has already been sold out; we are reordering more cars but the amount is very limited.

Reminder:

This is a FSF Commemorative Convention Car.

A convention "registration" is necessary in order to purchase any of the 2025 cars.

One thing that I might add is that we have three of the cars in our possession and they were displayed at the Spring S Spree in Lancaster Ohio. The response was extremely favorable. All of the present advertised photos were taken outside. Believe me, the photos of the cars don't do them justice, they are stunning.

(The cars will not be delivered before Fall S Fest.)

We put the below pictures on our website showing the 2025 car with the 2021 FSFoppers to possible encourage the purchase of our overstock. **Remember:**

"Special BSG Members Discount Rates"



The BSG Searchlight

WANTED: SHS wood-sided reefers: SHS #00690 Carling Black Label (CBL 804); SHS #012123 Carling Black Label (CBL 799); and SHS #012124 Carling Black Label (CBL 802). New or Like New in original boxes. Contact Tom Patterson, tpatterson31@wi.rr.com.

For Sale, "mint condition", prior to 1952, American Flyer accessories for sale. The proceeds from all sales will go to BSG. For info some of these items or photos contact: Ron Schlicht

For Sale: Plasticville structures and accessories, boxed and unboxed, plus a number of small parts. Some are available in different color variations. Contact Ron Schlicht: rons48tblue@gmail.com.

With what BSG has on hand, it's like a Mini-S Gauge Swap meet. Call or email Ron Schlicht when clubhouse will have staff there, other than general meetings

Special Note

Warning: The following could be hazardous to your Health, Welfare and Wallet.

How to "overdose" on model trains in one weekend beginning Friday October 31st Ending November 2nd.

Friday - Fall S Fest - Convention

Saturday - Fall S Fest - Convention

Saturday - Trainfest

Saturday - BSG/Gandy Dancers - Open House

Saturday - Lionel Club Open House

Sunday - Fall S Fest - Home Layout Tour

Sunday - Trainfest

Sunday - BSG/Gandy Dancers - Open House

Sunday - Lionel - Open House

Sunday - DuPage County - Swap Meet

I got tired just typing this notice.

Local Area Meets

*In the event that any of our members are aware of an event that they believe would be of interest to other club members please contact your newsletter editor and we can post the event.

Lionel Swap Meets

New Berlin Entertainment Center

16000 West Cleveland Ave.

New Berlin, WI

8:00 am To 12:00 pm

Admission \$4.00

2023	October	19
	November	16
	December	21
2024	January	18
	February	15
	March	15

Check website: www.milw-lrrc.com

or call 262-754-9900

Open House November 1st & 2nd

Open House November 29th & 30th

Kettle Moraine ballast Scorchers
 Railroad Show& Swap Meet
 Sunday, Oct 12th 2025
 Washington County Fair Grounds
 3000 Pleasant Valley Road (Hwy PV)
 Time: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
 Donation \$5.00

**Wisconsin Southeastern Division Midwest Region
 (WISE) Meets)**

*New Berlin Public Library
 15105 Library Lane
 New Berlin, WI
 1:00 pm
 *Admission Free

	*October	18
Trainfest	November	1 & 2
	*January	10
Mad-City Train Show	February	21 & 22
Location TBA	*March	21
	*April	18

Check website: <https://wisedivision.org>

Great Midwest Train Show
 DuPage County Fairgrounds Wheaton, IL
 9 am to 3:00 pm
 Admission \$8.00
 2025

October	5
November	2
December	7

Model Railroad Train Show
 Kenosha Union Club
 3030 39th Avenue Kenosha, WI
 9:00 am To 1:00 pm
 Admission \$5.00

I do not have any other Fall dates at this time.

They are on Facebook and I don't have Facebook.
 Their website is not up to date. If anyone has the dates for
 their meets, I will gladly post them.

Send any comments or suggestions to:
 Ron Schlicht - rons48tblue@gmail.com



BSG Inventory

Contact Ron Schlicht Phone (414) 477-7866 Email:
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2021 Fall S Fest Hoppers (Hi-Rail Only) \$55.00
 EachFurnished with Coal Loads



Shipping \$10.00 on 1st car. \$3.00 ea. additional car.
 The cars are also available at the BSG clubhouse

Next BSG Meeting

Date: Sunday October 19th

Time: 1:30pm

Club Location:

Corner of South St. & Grand Ave.
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 beneficial. Share your scenery, technical or
 operational experiences on your own home layouts
 for the BSG newsletters.
 Photos are encouraged.