



NEWSLETTER

Central Arizona Model Railroad Club
April, 2021

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Bob Northington

Welcome to Spring!! If you have not heard, we will be having our first IN-PERSON EVENT on Saturday May 22nd at the Heritage Zoo in Prescott from 1pm to 5pm!

For this **Spring Picnic/Meeting/Swap Meet**, the club will supply the drinks and Subway sandwiches that we will have to start things off. We will then have a short business meeting, perhaps a short presentation and then those who have brought items to sell can wheel and deal.

Afterward, all are invited to walk the zoo as entrance to the zoo will be included in the day's festivities. Significant others are invited to this event. Social distancing will be practiced when possible with masks recommended. Hand sanitizer will be made available.

I am happy to announce that we have four new club members! They are: Mike Woodcock, Bob Hansen, John Olson, and Phil Piet. We will have them stand up and introduce themselves at our May event. Welcome gentlemen!

I know it has been a very tough time during this pandemic, but it's nice to know that things seem to be getting back to normal. I for one am looking very forward to seeing you all once again.

Take care and stay safe!

SCHEDULE

CAMRRC regular meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month. They feature tables where you are welcome to bring items for sale and most months also feature a program. They are also a great way to get together with your fellow members. Meetings begin at 6:30pm for socializing and swapping and the meeting starts at 7pm. Meetings are held at the Prescott First Lutheran Church, 231 W. Smoketree Lane off Willow Creek Road

No **CAMRRC** monthly meetings are scheduled at this time

May 22 - CAMRRC Picnic - see the article in this issue

August 21 - Beat the Heat Meet - see the flyer in this issue

BOARD MINUTES

by Doug Gilliatt

The Treasure's report will be sent to Board members after the meeting. This meeting was held as a Zoom Meeting and will differ slightly from the normal meeting minutes.

Old business:

The club Spring Picnic/Meeting/Swap meet has been scheduled for May 22nd from 1 to 5 PM and will be held at the Heritage Park Zoo pavilion in Prescott. Subway sandwiches and drinks will be provided for the members and their significant others.

Entrance to the Zoo will be free for attendees.

Masks will still be recommended. Social distancing will be observed if possible. Hand Sanitizer will be made available. An e-mail will be sent to members to 'save the date' and will be followed up in 'late' April to get a more accurate count of attendees so meals/drinks can be ordered.

New Business:

The new vendor for Club name badges is Raskin Jewelry with the price being \$12.00 +Tax (Either pin Back or Magnetic). Doug will investigate the price if the club logo could be included on the badges. He will advise the Board of the price when received.

Terry Fearn informed the Board that the First Lutheran Church on Smoketree Lane is beginning to evaluate when they will open the meeting hall to outside groups. Early to mid-summer may be a possibility for our club meetings to resume at the church.

Our own Stan Cedarleaf has a feature article in the latest edition of the S Scale resource magazine.

<https://sscaleresource.com/WP/>

Lorne Noyes' HO Railroad Estate Sale for the Central AZ. Model Railroad Club members and guests. All proceeds from this sale go to Lorne's family.

The sale will be held on Terrel Tinkler's driveway April 17, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The address is 1030 Lupine Lane, Prescott, AZ. 86305, (thats in the Pinon Oaks subdivision, near Willow Creek Road and Pioneer Parkway)

The sale will consist of Lorne's collection of HO locomotives, rolling stock, track, miscellaneous items and scenic materials.

There will also be boxes of railroad books, railroad pictures, time tables and more.

This sale is sponsored by Friend's of Lorne and the Family Support Group of CAMRRC.

Masks would be appreciated, please.

Don't forget to send in your Beat the Heat table reservations now. The Valley clubs are receiving the flyer also. So make sure you get yours in before they sell out as they always do.

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Atlas Acquires Select M.T.H Locomotive and Rolling Stock Molds

Hillside, NJ – Atlas Model Railroad Company, Inc. is proud to announce the purchase of a variety of tooling in the M.T.H. Premier O Scale Locomotive and Rolling Stock lines from M.T.H. Electric Trains of Columbia, MD.

Rolling stock molds acquired include the 4-Bay Hopper, Coalporter Hopper, PS2CD High Side Hopper, 40' PS1 Box Car, 55' All Door Box Car, 2-Bay Centerflow Hopper, 3-Bay Centerflow Hopper, Steel Caboose, 50' High Cube Box Car, PS2 2-Bay Hopper, 20,000 Gallon Tank Car, 50' Airslide Hopper, Russell Plow, 8000 Gallon Tank Car, Funnel Flow Tank Car, Modern Tank Car, Crane, Crane Tender, 100 Ton Hot Metal Car, Rapid Discharge Hopper, 75' Depressed Flat Car, Scale Test Car, 2-Bay Offset Hopper, Operating Coal and Log Dump Car, Premiere 70' Heavyweight Passenger Cars, Premiere 70' Streamline Passenger Cars and Amfleet Cars.

Locomotive molds include the E6A/B and E8A/B, 44 Tonner, Amtrak P42 Genesis, Dash 9, SD45, F40, U30C, SD70M-2 with SD70Ace, GP38-2, SD70ACe, SD70MAC, GP40, S2, SD40-2, GP30, ES44AC&DC with ES44DC and GEVO ES-44.

In addition, Atlas has also acquired the following accessories from MTH's Railking Line: Water Column, 22 figure sets, Operating Traffic Light, Motorcycle Pack, Pedestrian Crosswalk, Floodlight Tower, Sanding Tower, Road signs, Telephone Poles and the Operating Modern Crossing Signal.

Atlas has also acquired a license for the MTH Proto-Sound 3 Sound & Control Electronics Boards, which adds realistic sounds to locomotives and also allows control via DCS (Digital Command System). Part of the license will give Atlas the option to sell DCS components as well.

"MTH has long been an outstanding manufacturer of model trains and we are excited to continue that legacy," said Jarrett Haedrich, COO of Atlas. "We will be working closely with the existing supplier to ensure that the models are produced and delivered in a timely fashion." The first model to be produced will be announced Wednesday, March 24th.

M.T.H. Electric Trains was founded in 1980 by Mike Wolf as a mail order train business. Over the years it grew into a full manufacturing business with full lines of O, HO and S scale trains and track. In June 2020, Mike Wolf announced he was retiring and that M.T.H. would be closing in May of 2021.

Founded in 1924 and incorporated in 1949 as Atlas Tool Co. Inc., present day Atlas Model Railroad Co. produces locomotives, rolling stock, track, and accessories in N, HO and O scales for its Atlas Master, Atlas Classic, Trainman, and Atlas O lines.

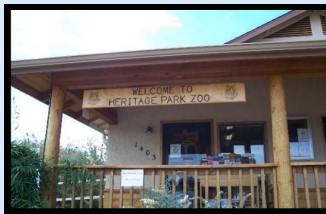
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Save that date for yourself and your significant other. The club will be supplying Subway sandwiches as well as the drinks. Entry to the zoo is free to attendees so those not interested in the meeting or swap meet are free to explore the zoo.

Masks will still be recommended, and Social Distancing will be practiced when possible. Hand Sanitizer will be available.

Bring the items you would like to sell after the lunch/meeting.



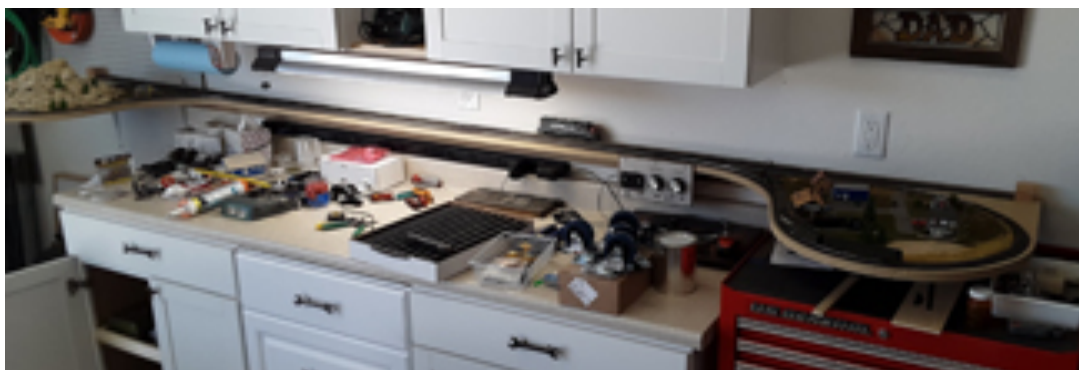
FRED'S WORKBENCH LAYOUT

by Fred Williams

This is my workbench N gauge layout. Also, behind it is an HO test track that can be run on DC and DCC. The DCC is controlled by an NCE Power Pro paddle and by a laptop running JMRI software for programming engines. Programming sound decoders from a paddle is nearly impossible but with a laptop it is a

breeze. I can also speed-match engines that must work together. I would be happy to help anyone that needs a decoder setup.

Some of my pictures have been Photo Shopped. I tried to model the Prescott Dells for the mountain, out of spray foam. Then painted it and covered with sanded grout for texture. The cloud background is actually a photo of the area north of Prescott Valley.



RAY'S LAYOUT UPDATE

by Ray Strom

Larry Gauthier and I are working on the first steps in the benchwork for the new layout.

With warmer weather we are now back to building. My roll is as carpenter's assistant. Way too early in the process to claim apprentice but learning (I think).



a full meeting featuring a number of our regular members who seem to enjoy the proceedings.



I FOUND SOME OLD CLUB MEETING PHOTOS

by Dick Gage

I TOOK these photos back late in 2019 when the lady from the Sharlot Hall Museum archives gave a talk on the Harvey Girls...as you can see



ANTHONY'S HISTORIC PRESCOTT RAILROADS

by Anthony Piscitelli

(Since the Winter's snows are quickly fading into memory, I thought you would enjoy this shot taken from the second floor of the depot - Ed)



Living close to the S.P. mainline in the waning days of Sunset Limited passenger service, he developed a fondness for those shiny ribbed Budd cars along with Black Widow diesels on the point.

So today, while enjoying retirement, he models the Southern Pacific in O Scale Hi-Rail.

The main model manufacturers in this scale have neglected to model the Observation Lounge car as it was in his day.

I was asked to completely overhaul a properly scaled K-Line car decorated for the Union Pacific to a one of a kind smooth sided Southern Pacific Sunset Limited Observation Lounge.

All I had to go on were two sketchy photos of this car taken off the internet along with some verbiage from a S.P. passenger car color guide.

What looked simple, turned out to be one of the most complicated project I've tackled.

A RAILCAR THROUGH TUCSON

by Mark Ziven

Some who will read this newsletter might know that I'm heavily entrenched modeling the Milwaukee Road. My airbrush spoke Orange, Maroon Grey and Black for years.

That was going to change.

What came as a surprise to me back around the middle of January, was to help another modeler relive his early days in Tucson idolizing the Southern Pacific.

Adding to the problem, was matching the S.P. Scarlet Red used by Lionel along with the dimensions of the red band that circumnavigated this particular car.

Red as most know, is a very difficult color to match especially when it comes to the Southern Pacific.

All of the hurdles and challenges stretched out over seven weeks, waiting for paint being shipped in from the East, freezing weather along with covid personnel shortages in the transportation industry.

The body was wet sanded with 700 - 1500 - 2500 paper to achieve the desired patina for the aluminum car.

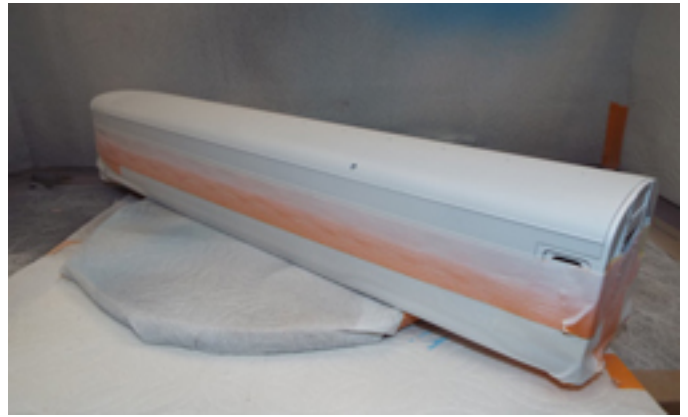
Delays were managed decorating the cars interior with all its masking, along with crafting of a female passenger figure as seen in one of the photographs that was most obvious in the rear window of the car.

One of the really neat features of this overhaul was the addition of a pulsating red rear marker lamp that really gives a realistic touch to this model.

Stan Cedarleaf was involved crafting the decals which were some of the largest I've tried to apply. These required special handling which were leaned only as O.J.T. until I got them all down properly.

I had a couple of days where a guy by the name of "Murphy" showed up creating all kinds of problems that were eventually overcome.

For now, I'm happy to stick to my home colors of Orange, Maroon, Grey and Black .





MY PROJECTS UPDATE

by Ken Hoyle

So I finally got up the courage to begin building my JV Models Burnt River Mine kit that I bought from a club member (I think it was Jim Peterson) at the club swap meet we had at the Lutheran Church a couple of years ago. It is a wood kit with plenty of scale but uncut wood and instructions that leave a lot to be desired. I guess they want you to be able to say you "kit-bashed" the project. One must be able to look at the full-scale plans showing only two sides of the structure and the photo on the box to see how things are supposed to go together. Anyway, I am having a great time building this structure with little previous model building experience.



The first photo is of my Engine #12 with a consist of high side gondolas rounding the high-line just after leaving the planned mine location on my On30 layout. The upper cliffs are made from Bragdon Enterprises two-part epoxy castings. They are not yet fully detailed but have had the base paint color brushed on along with some washes of black Tempura powder and black acrylic paint to bring out the rock features. The lower cliff is made up of 2" blue foam stacked and hot glued to each other, then hand-carved and painted the same as the upper

cliff. I made the rock walls using Bragdon products and molds.

The next photo is of the mine kit still currently under construction on my “poor man’s” work surface I lay across part of the layout. This photo shows highlights the hip roof framing I did for the mine office. The plans called for a shed roof, but I like the look and challenge of modeling at hip roof. Also shown is the box the kit came in and the almost finished mine hoist shed. I used the hoist shed to experiment using a petroleum based gray barn wood stain and then a brown acrylic paint wash for the worn exterior color. I think it came out nicely for a rookie. The rusty corrugated metal roof sheeting is a printed paper product from Paper Creek Model Works.



The next photo shows the patterns I made for the balsa wood sheeting I cut out for the office



roof. The wood sheeting was then covered with Paper Creek Model Works rusty corrugated roofing.

This final photo shows the mine structure and hoist shed in the relative positions they will be when they are finished and permanently placed on the layout. The three rusty corrugated metal roof pieces on the office were laid in place for the photo. I won't glue them on until after construction is complete and the painting and weathering is done.



This has been an enjoyable learning project. It has also been an exercise in patience, being in no hurry to do a rushed job. I have already spent several hours over several days building the kit so far. Indispensable tools have included; a Micro-Mark “Chop-It” block with jigs for cutting angles, an Excel Cutting Pad, an ExActo sanding block, a Micro Lux Model Railroader’s Metal Rule, a single razor blade box cutter and “Titebond” original, professional strength wood glue. I want to thank Steve Hatch for recommending the Titebond. It works great.

We in the CAMRRC are so blessed to have so many experienced modelers to seek tech advice from. I look forward to finishing this project and its location on the layout. Now I know why a fellow On30 modeler who has several videos on YouTube named his layout, "The Never Done & Always Changing Railroad".

PROGRESS REPORT ON THE RETRO LAYOUT, PLUS ONE OTHER

by Peter Atonna



The farm scene, featuring classic Plasticville farm structures. To finish it, and since there are always horses around at the Atonna's, the farm had to have horses. Buildings for a chicken coop and the horse barn were with the farm buildings kit, but both needed corals and fencing. So, copper wire and bridal veil netting provided the resources and now the Mrs and

her daughter can enjoy petting their favorite horse, while junior thinks the chickens are more interesting. And the two horses out to roam, enjoy standing by the fence waiting for a train to go by.



And there was one new project downstairs, too. Many years ago I installed a circuit board in a Lionel operating milk car so it could be operated through by command controller. But, I never installed a classic Lionel milk car unloading platform. So, the milk cans stayed in the car, the milk getting older and older.

I finally decided the Douglas station should be an unloading depot, so a platform was scratch built. And now the car happily throws the cans across the dock, just like they do for the original Lionel unloading platform!



WINTER IS DONE

by Greg Picard

The snow has melted and logging and mill operations are starting up again on the Grizzly Creek Railroad.



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Prescott Area **BEAT THE HEAT**

SWAP MEET

Model Trains, Accessories & Toys

At the Liberty Traditional School

3300 N. Lake Valley Rd, Prescott Valley, AZ 86314

Saturday, August 21, 2021: 9am - 1pm

Presented By:

The Central Arizona Model RR Club

Adults \$5.00 – Children 12 and under Free

Contact: Dick Gage © 802-272-1352 or Doug Gilliatt 480-390-0320

Table Reservations \$30.00 per table in advance

**** 1 Free Admission with Each Table purchased ****

Dealer Setup Time 7-9 AM – No Early Public Admission

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Name _____

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Lunch Reservations (sandwich, chips, soda) _____ @ 7.00 ea _____

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