

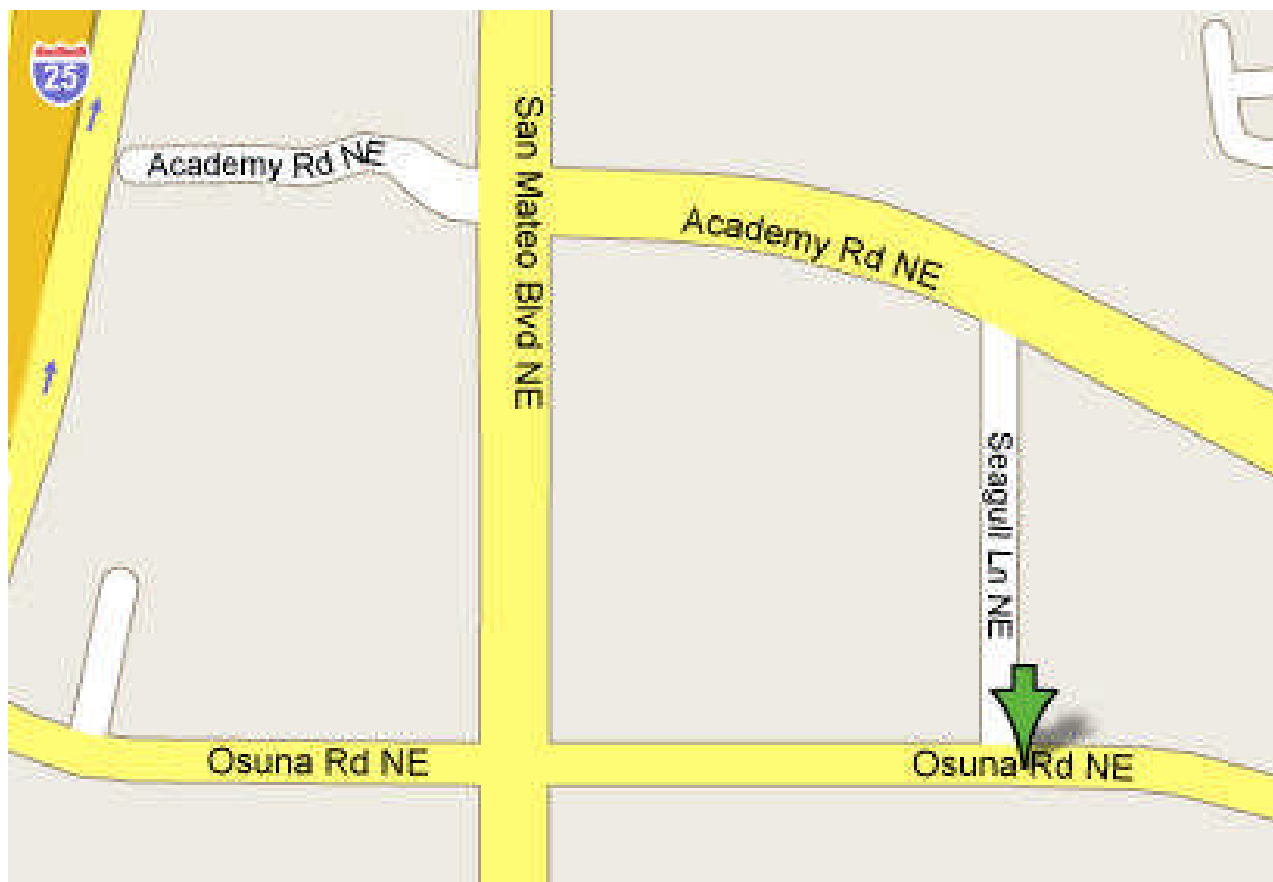


# NTRACKAGE Writes

## The New Mexico Rail RunNers Club Newsletter

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The Febuary 2008 meeting will be held at NMRR Clubhouse at 5850 Osuna NE, Albuquerque, NM. Please Park in back (south side of the building)



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#### NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

**Deadline for submission of articles and reports for inclusion in *Ntrakage Writes* is no later than the 19<sup>th</sup> of each month. This will allow enough time to get the newsletter distributed in a timely manner.**

## President's Lines — Jay Norman

### Presidents Line – by Jay Norman

I just do not know what we would do without Kathy in this club. She came thought for us by finding us a new place to Play. The week before our January Meeting, she called me and stated that there was a possibility for a space on Osuna and Seagull. She had been talking to the person that manages that strip center and there is a space that has been empty for almost a year. She said that she would let me know. I did not hear from her again, so on when I got to her house for the meeting, I ask if she had received any word.

She said that he was still thinking about it. So as we proceeded thought the meeting and got to the issue on the space, she handed me the key's, very sneaky. So we plan to move in on Saturday, but, then on Thursday, she calls and says hold up, someone is looking at the space, go figure. I am to take a key for the manager, as their key does not work, so I do and we find that the managers key does work. Friday, she call's again and says that the guy did not show up and we can move in on Saturday, which we did, then we went to lunch at Annie's, had our Officer Meeting and again met on Wednesday night finished setting up most all modules but the Steel Mill. The new address is 5850 Osuna, there is lots of parking in the rear, which we need to use during the day. Wednesday nights will be okay to park in front. Again a big **Thanks to Kathy**.

Our February Regular meeting will be at the club house on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008, at 7:00pm. Every one try to attend and check out our new play house if you have not already.

March brings the end of our year with elections for a new President, Treasure, Secretary and one Director, Jack Dietz has agreed to run for President, Charlie Baker will run for another term as Treasure, Dave Turner will continue as Secretary, and Bud Bechdel said he would do another term as a Director. If any one else is wanting to run for those positions there will be nominations from the floor at the March meeting, or let the Officers know so we can get your name on the ballot.

The February Officer meeting will be at the club house on Saturday February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008, at 11:00 am.

We need to know who will be going to the Winslow, AZ. show in April by the February Meeting. We will be located in the Depot next to the Hotel. The dates are set up on Friday April, 25<sup>th</sup>, then run Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>. We will have more information for the February Meeting.

Also, we have the NMRA Regional Show at the Marriott the week end of May 29<sup>th</sup> thru 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008. You will need to register for that event.

# Meeting Minutes

Secretaries Report December 8th, 2007

Attendance: Charles Baker, Jack Dietz, Ed Duckett, Chris Friedmann, Chris Gutierrez, Buzz Leander, Kit Luke, Kathy Montoya, Jay Norman, William Randolph, Kent Shelton, Steve Stein, Dave Turner

Thanks to Kathy and Randy for hosting the meeting and treats!

7:00 Call to Order, Jay Norman, President

Secretaries Report: Approved as published. Bud asked about the color code on the roster.

Treasures Report: Update by Charles Baker on current state of expenses and income. Approved

Officers meeting will be at Annie's on January 12<sup>th</sup>.

## Old Business

1. Kito Reported he would check with Weingarten about our deposit. Late addition. As of 1/19/2008 we have received the deposit check and rent allocation of \$311.78.
2. February business meeting will be held at Charlie Baker's house on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 7 PM. Address is 12401 San Francisco Rd Ne, Albuquerque, phone 797-4750
3. February officers meeting will be February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at Annie's at 1PM.
4. Location, location, location. We need one! If anyone sees signs or knows of someone who may have available space and does not want to contact the person, please pass the information on to one of the club officers.

## New Business

1. We need to think about officers for the next years. Positions open are president, Treasure, Secretary and 1 director. Charles Baker and Dave Turner stated they were willing to stay on in their current positions if it pleases the membership.
2. We need to start rewiring the modules. Buzz has offered his garage for Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup>. We need to determine what pair is next. The decision was made to leave the yard until last due to the complexity of the wiring on that set of modules.
3. Jack Dietz and Dave Turner will go over the operations and show coordinator guidelines with the thought of streamlining them. They will be presented to the membership for review when the rewrite is completed.
4. Jack Dietz has built a frame for the new drawing module, based on the track plan in the October Model Railroader. The membership decided we will use Peco track and Buzz is to obtain the required switches.
5. Kathy stated she was working on a location with a gentleman in the area of Seagull and Osuna and then proceeded to pull the keys to the building out of her pocket. Needless to say, it took a bit to restore order!
6. The location is 5850 Osuna and we are requested to park in the rear (south side). We had a hiccup or two getting into the building (someone wanted to look at it the very next day. They did not show up so we have a new home.
7. We will meet at the storage building this Saturday at 9 AM to move to the new location (under 1 mile away).
8. We need to register for the NMRA Regional Convention May 29- June 1, 2008. The link to their website is: [www.neighborhoodlink.com/org/rarg](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/org/rarg)

# Calendar for February 2008

February 5th 2008 General meeting at NMRR Club House at 7:00 PM.

February 9th 2008 Board Meeting at NMRR Club House at 11:00

Winslow Az Show April 25-27, 2008

NMRA Show in Albuquerque May 29-31, 2008

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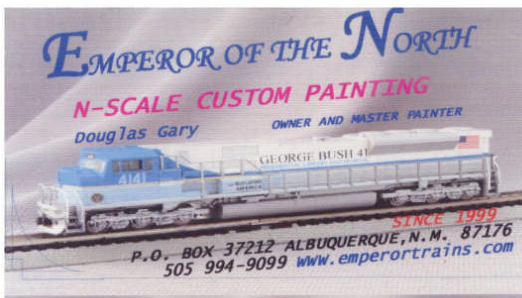
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## Meeting Minutes Continued

9. Buzz reported that for those who have Challengers that low profile wheels are available by returning your current ones to the manufacture.
10. We now have 3 Digitrax UR91's so for those who remember the problems we had at the last state fair, we have a pair and a spare.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 PM

Dave Turner  
Secretary, NMRR

## Board Meeting

Secretaries Report January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008 Board Meeting

Attendance: Jay Norman, Charles Baker, Kito Luke, Dave Turner

Call to Order 1:16 PM President Jay Norman

1. February business meeting will be at the new clubhouse, 5850 Osuna, on the 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Officers meeting at the clubhouse February 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM
2. Elections for new officers. If anyone is interested please let one of the officers know.
3. We normally have our March meeting at a restaurant but want to leave it open to the membership if they want to go to a restaurant or have the meeting at the clubhouse. Please think it over and this will be on the agenda for the February meeting.
4. Once we get setup in the new building we need to determine what supplies will be needed to rewire the rest of the modules. Several members have volunteered to bring modules in so we can pull modules for rewiring. This will work for everything but the yard.
5. We need to register for the NMRA regional convention so I will attach their form

If you have not had a chance to get to the new location, we hope to see you soon. Very nice layout and room for everything.

Dave Turner  
Secretary, NMRR