

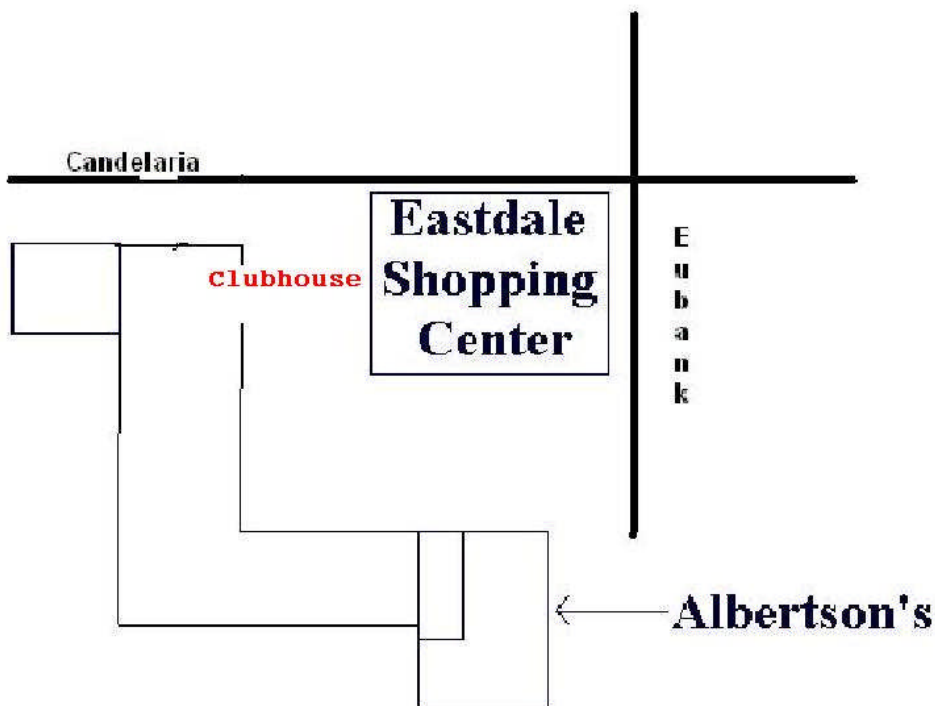


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The June 2007 meeting will be held at the Clubhouse, 2801D Candelaria NE, on June 5th, at 7:00 PM. Remember we are now also running Wednesday evenings



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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 19th of each month. This will allow enough time to get the newsletter distributed in a timely manner.

President's Lines — Jay Norman

Presidents Lines by Jay Norman

Our June Meeting will be at the new Club House on June 5th, 2007, at 7:00pm., 2801X Eubank, in the Elm Dale Shopping Center. Hope to see all of you there.

A Lot has happened this past month. We were given a heads up by Cathy Downey that someone had leased our space and that we had to be out by Sunday May 13th. Thanks to Kito, Cathy allowed us to move into the old Hurricanes location. Bill Randolph had removed all the connector tracks and the claps, so on Wednesday evening the 9th, with help from several of the members, we moved everything over in about 2 hours time. A big thanks to all that helped. After spending time to design a layout for this new space, it was determined that we needed to cut a hole in the solid block wall. So again with Kito's help with Cathy Downey, we were given an okay to do so as long as we fix the wall when we are again told to move. Buzz, Chris G, Bill, Dave and new member Jim Decker drilled a hole through the solid block wall. Chris G. is building a 4ft module to go through the wall. We should be up and running again prior to the Digitrax Training on Monday June 4th.

We joined the Clovis, NM N-Scale club with a 22ft X 14ft layout for the Bryan Mosley Albuquerque Railroad Fair on May19, 2007. Clovis provided 4 corners and 16 ft of modules, we provided the Belen Yard and 28 ft of other modules for the show. We also took the new Drawing Module which Beverly was able to sell over \$90.00 of tickets. Clovis had 4 members, Jim and Julie Aldrich, Brenda Poucher, and Mike Shannon. We had Buzz, Bud, Charlie, Ed, Jack, Chris G., Little Chris and his Dad, Jim, Beverly and I. We have invited the Clovis Club to join us for the State Fair.

The June Officer meeting will be delayed until Saturday, June 16th, at the Club House, at 11:00 am. We still have work to do to complete the Drawing Module.

Meeting Minutes

Secretaries Report May 1st, 2007

Attendance: Charles Baker, Bud Bechdel, George Canham, Jack Dietz, Ed Duckett, Chris Friedmann, Doug Gary, Chris Gutierrez, Buzz Lenander, Kit Luke, Dayton Molzen, Jay Norman, William Randolph, Dave Turner

7:00 Call to Order, Jay Norman, President.

Secretaries Report: accepted as published

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

Old Business.

1. June general meeting will be held at the club house (the old Hurricanes location in the same shopping center) on June 5th, and the officers meeting June 16th.
2. Digitrax training is scheduled for June 4th. George will be taking the Digitrax people to Los Quates at 8700 Menaul Blvd NE at 6 PM for supper. Anyone is welcome to join but George said he will not be buying! We will have training from Digitrax from 7 PM until? at the clubhouse.
3. Work on drawing module continues with some operational issues reported with the train going clockwise just before the bridge. Need to see if there is a dip in the track.
4. Show check list needs to be revised. Change in location has delayed this activity.
5. Winslow Az show report. There could be some better organization as some anticipated activities did not happen, such as the school kids on Friday. Clubs present included Tucson, Prescott Valley, Denver and Phoenix. Some additional issues with dirty track were reported but everyone who went reported having a good time.

Officers Meeting

Secretaries Report May 12th, 2007 Board Meeting

Attendance: Jay Norman, Bud Bechdel, Charles Baker, Dave Turner, Kit Luke, Ed Duckett

11:20 Call to Order, President Jay Norman

1. June general meeting will be on the 5th, Officers meeting on June 16th.
2. Digitrax DCC event will be June 4th.
3. As we are moving again the board approved offering the landlord an additional deposit to cover an opening in the wall required to create a layout. Thanks to Kits' negotiating skills this was not necessary.
4. It was recommend that we actively look for another place to call home.
5. Review of membership list and status of dues paid to date.
6. Reminder that even with the move the Wednesday evening sessions will continue.
7. Thanks to everyone who helped make the move to the new location! It was great teamwork.

Meeting adjourned 12:00

Dave Turner

Secretary, NMRR

Meeting minutes continued

6. We completed some additional work on the yard wiring for DCC operation. Also Chris is working on a power distribution scheme for the current layout. Note, the current layout no longer exists but thanks to the "hole in the wall" gang, the layout at the new location should be up and running by May 26th.
7. Remember the Wednesday evening run/work sessions.

New Business

1. Kit's module needs some track work on one end.
2. Need to have Road Masters sign up.
3. Brian's show. 1 day show to be held May 19th. The Clovis, NM club is coming and bringing the corners so we need to fill in the straight sections as needed. Jay is checking with Brian for details.
4. Our late members' module name was changed to Robertsville. It now has a mayor, Kent Shelton.
5. State Fair. Steve will need the track plans for any new modules being built by club members in order to design the layout. All blue lines will be set for DCC. George advised he will be moving his modules to out of state storage.
6. Carol from the NMRA Rocky Mountain Region was present and provided information about the NMRA regional event to be held in Albuquerque in 2008. We will be participating in this event.
7. We are hosting the July meeting of the NMRA local on July 7th at 1 PM and will have an open house and summer party in conjunction with this event. More details coming.
8. Blain advised the group that Hobbies and Stuff is for sale and may close the end of July if it is not sold.
9. Motion made to reimburse Bud for throttles and miscellaneous equipment for \$40.00. Approved.

Meeting adjourned.

Dave Turner

Secretary, NMRR

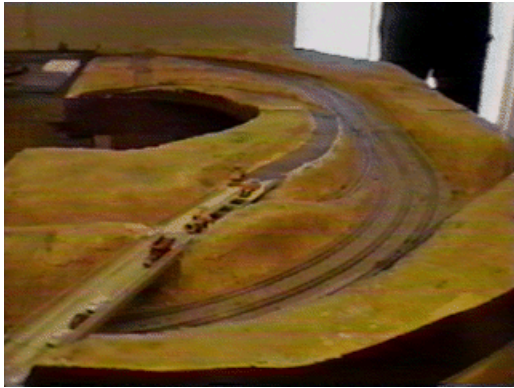
CALENDAR

NMRR Layout Setup

Open House July 7th.

New Mexico State Fair Sept 13-18, 2007

Name this Module?



NMRR Meetings

Next General membership meeting will be June 5th at the clubhouse at 7:00 PM.

Next Offices meeting will be June 16th at the clubhouse.

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