



SHORT LINE

Sierra Division * Pacific Coast Region * National Model Railroad Association

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Tom Van Horn
March 16, 1948 - December 31, 2021

Tom Van Horn passed away at home in Denair, California, December 31, 2021. Always an active person, Tom worked as a carpenter and mechanic. He enjoyed fishing, motocross and off-road motorcycle racing, and tennis as recreational pursuits. He was most passionate for the hobbies of model railroading and rail fanning.

Beginning in the 1970s, when N scale, as a viable commercial scale, was little more than a decade old, Tom was one of the

founding members of the Bay Area N Scalers club that embraced the then-new modular concept of layout design. His Fruitvale Connecting Railroad switching module captured the industrial flavor of the area of Oakland where Tom grew up.

Tom was also a member of the East Bay Model Engineers when that club was still based in Oakland, and was one of the members who help start the N scale division of that club.

During the Bicentennial, Tom was often out trackside photographing (and sometimes riding) the Freedom Train behind 4449, or prowling the tracks of the Bay Area to capture local rail traffic and the Flying Scotsman during its visit here.

Tom expanded his involvement in the hobby by taking over the Trackside Trains hobby shop in Burlingame in the early 2000s and moving it to Menlo Park where he operated it until 2010. Always willing to share his knowledge with others, Tom was known for his enthusiasm for informing and encouraging his customers, especially first-timers, about the hobby.

Tom also contributed to the history and preservation of railroad history as a member of the Western Pacific Railroad Museum in Portola and as a docent at Railtown 1897 State Historic Park in Jamestown, where he hosted roundhouse and machine shop tours. He was also a member of the West Bay Model Railroad Club in Menlo Park and, most recently, the San Joaquin Valley Toy Train Operators club in Turlock.

Throughout his hobby career Tom supported, promoted, and participated as a member and officer in the Coast, Daylight, and Sierra divisions of the Pacific Coast Region of National Model Railroad Association, serving as a director in the Sierra Division and receiving the Sierra division Member of the Year Award in 2021.

Tom was known as a frequent contender in the Timesaver switching game in many scales from N scale on his own layout to a riding version, often turning in the winning times. He was also the winner of several first-place awards in PCR and division photo contests.

Tom's easygoing, friendly manner was always a joy, and all who knew him will have fond memories of sharing the hobby with Tom on many occasions over the past 50 years.

- Paul Ingraham



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From the Superintendent

The True Spirit Of Our Hobby is the fellowship we share as fellow model railroaders. Sure, the hobby in and of itself is a fascinating endeavor. We are all familiar with of the many facets of the hobby: model building, scenery building, back-drop painting, electronics, carpentry, and on and on and on. But, perhaps, the greatest benefit to be had from the hobby is the association we have with others of a like mind.

Indeed, interaction with fellow modelers can be the most enjoyable part of this hobby. Clearly, Tom Van Horn exemplified this communication and fellowship.

As Tom's long-time friend, Paul Ingraham noted in his tribute, Tom was involved as a founding member of the Bay Area N Scalers, a member of the East Bay Model Engineers, a member of the Western Pacific Railroad Museum, a docent at Railtown 1897 State Historic Park, a member of the West Bay Model Railroad Club, and a member of the San Joaquin Valley Toy Train Operators club. Tom also served the hobby as a member and officer in three of the four Pacific Coast Region divisions of the NMRA, including a stint as our Sierra Division Director. And to boot, Tom owned and operated a hobby shop for several years.

So we thank you, Tom, for demonstrating true passion for, and devotion to, the hobby of model railroading.

Even the "lone wolf" modelers among us can benefit from the exchange of ideas and the "fellowship" of conversation. If you haven't recently (or ever) done so, join us at one of our four in-person meets, or take part in the monthly ZOOM meets (see schedule on page 3).

If you are actively participating, why not go a step further and volunteer for a position or serve as an officer? Or you might contribute to the *Short Line* or the *Branch Line*. I'm sure the editors of those two publications would be delighted.

One of the letters in the April 2022 *Railroad Model Craftsman* "Safety Valve" column is titled, "The Value of Play." The author of the letter, John Reynolds, made this poignant observation: "As 'adults' we tend to want pretend that we are too "mature" and "sophisticated" to engage in "playing" with toys....." "The time came when we were taught to believe we needed to put childish things away for good and never look back. When we accepted those teachings we often lost the joy of living."

If you ever find yourself reluctant to share (expose?) your hobby with others, ask yourself if you may have "lost the joy of living." May I suggest that, no, you have not?

MODEL RAILROADING IS FUN !!!



SIERRA DIVISION

Next Meeting: May 14
Colusa

9:00 AM–12:00 NOON
OP Session Colusa Shasta Div.*

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM
Business Meeting & Contest

2:45 and on
Layout Tours and Locomotive
Restoration Site

**SEE MAP ON NEXT PAGE*

May Contest Categories:

*Modeling: Non Revenue Cars, Locos,
Special Equipment*

*Photo: Black & White Prototype
(limit of 3 photos - at least 5 X 7 but not
over 8 X 12)*

Railroad Arts & Crafts



TIMETABLE

May 14, 2022
Colusa

Aug 13, 2022
To be determined

Oct 8, 2022
To be determined
(*may be Rail Fair*)



August 7 - 15, 2022 Gateway 2022

Marriott Grand Hotel, St. Louis,
800 Washington Ave,
St. Louis, MO USA

SHORT LINE

Jun 10 for the Jul Issue

Sep 10 for the Oct Issue

Dec 10 for the Jan Issue

Mar 10 for the Apr Issue



Mark your calendar! Registration for the 2022 PCR Convention, Return to the Redwoods, will open April 24, 2021. Sign up early and get a \$20 discount on a Full Fare Registration.

REGISTRATION UNDERWAY!

<http://www.pcrnmra.org/conv2022/registration.html>

The convention will be held April 21-24, 2022 at the beautiful Doubletree Sonoma Wine Country in Rohnert Park. With ample room for clinics and displays and easy access from Highway 101, this is the perfect spot for PCR/ NMRA members to gather once more. A full three-day program is planned including over 40 clinics, layout tours, operating sessions, contests, vendor exhibit/sales, a member swap meet and a full non-rail program. And of course, there will be excursions including the ever popular, Sturgeon's Mill.



August 22 - 25, 2023 Texas Express 2023

Gaylord Texan Hotel, 1501 Gaylord
Trail, Grapevine, TX

Sierra Division continues to have online meets via ZOOM. Future online meets will be held the second Saturday of each month when an in-person meet is not scheduled.

UPCOMING ONLINE MEETS

(all beginning at 10:30 AM)

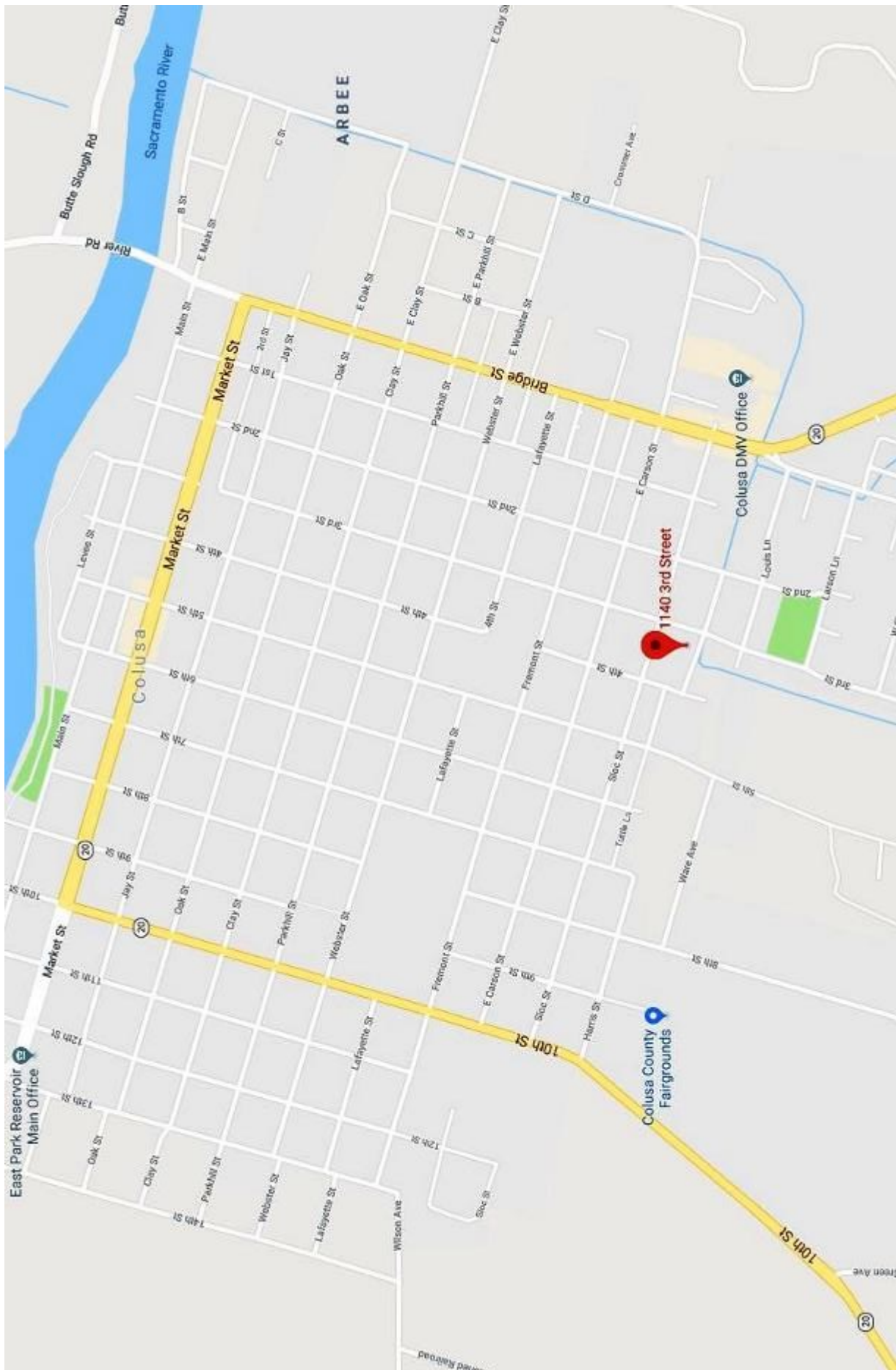
April 9, 2022

June 11, 2022

July 9, 2022

September 10, 2022







Return to the Redwoods PCR 2022

Convention time is almost here! We have a great schedule put together that you don't want to miss. **Online registration will end April 14** so don't delay. Register here: <https://pcrnmra.regfox.com/pcr-nmra-2022-convention> And if you haven't made your hotel reservations, do so right now. Those great rates will only be available for a few more days.

There is lots of merchandise to commemorate this convention. We have the traditional polo shirt, a denim shirt, a cap and a mug! And of course, the beautiful Roma Wine Car as the convention car. All of these items can be ordered on the registration site but **only until April 7**. If you have already registered and need assistance adding these items to your registration, please contact registrar2022@pcrnmra.org. After April 7, shirts may be ordered through Daylight Sales and shipped directly to you. There will be a limited number of hats and mugs available for purchase at the convention.

We realize some people may still be concerned with Covid and we will follow whatever mandates are in place from state, county and the hotel. If needed, we will limit room capacities and even repeat clinics so that everyone feels comfortable attending. For this reason, we need everyone to register as soon as possible so we have enough time to make the necessary arrangements. Some layout tour hosts and operating session hosts have asked that attendees wear masks and/or be vaccinated to visit their homes. Please be respectful of their request and bring your vaccination card and masks.

This convention will only be successful if you attend. Come join your fellow modelers in Rohnert Park. Register today!

THE Magic OF SCALE MODEL RAILROADING

Article by Dave Putnam

The NMRA's exhibit "The Magic of Scale Model Railroading" is approaching the one-year anniversary of its public debut at the California State Railroad Museum. Many members of the PCR have already visited the display since the museum reopened its doors last June after being shut down in early 2020 due to COVID.



Last October, several PCR members from the Bay Area took the opportunity to organize an informal field trip to the museum. They boarded the Amtrak Capitol Corridor to Sacramento and met up with other region members for a day at the museum. For many, this was their first opportunity in over a year and a half to have a face-to-face visit with other modelers as well as experience the new exhibit. For those of you who haven't ventured out to see it, you really should make it a point to do so. You will not be disappointed.



The museum has welcomed thousands of guests since reopening, and many have given the NMRA exhibit high marks. The exposure that it gives to our hobby is no doubt a big plus. Now that we've had some time to hear feedback from visitors, volunteer museum docents and our members, we are in the process of looking at some enhancements to make it an even better experience.



Many of you who have visited know that the exhibit is in an area on the museum's third floor that some guests don't even realize exists. We've recently asked the museum's volunteer docents and park aides to focus their attention on steering guests toward the exhibit whenever the opportunity presents itself. We are also working with the museum staff to add better signage in order to steer guests to locate it.

While the exhibit was designed to show where the hobby has been, it doesn't really give much of a glance toward current and future trends in the hobby. Some of the other suggestions include adding a few new interactive aspects that kids can better relate to. The NMRA is exploring the possibility of having volunteer NMRA ambassadors present on busy days in order to field questions from the public.

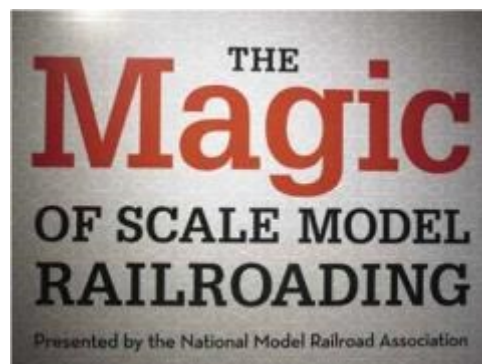
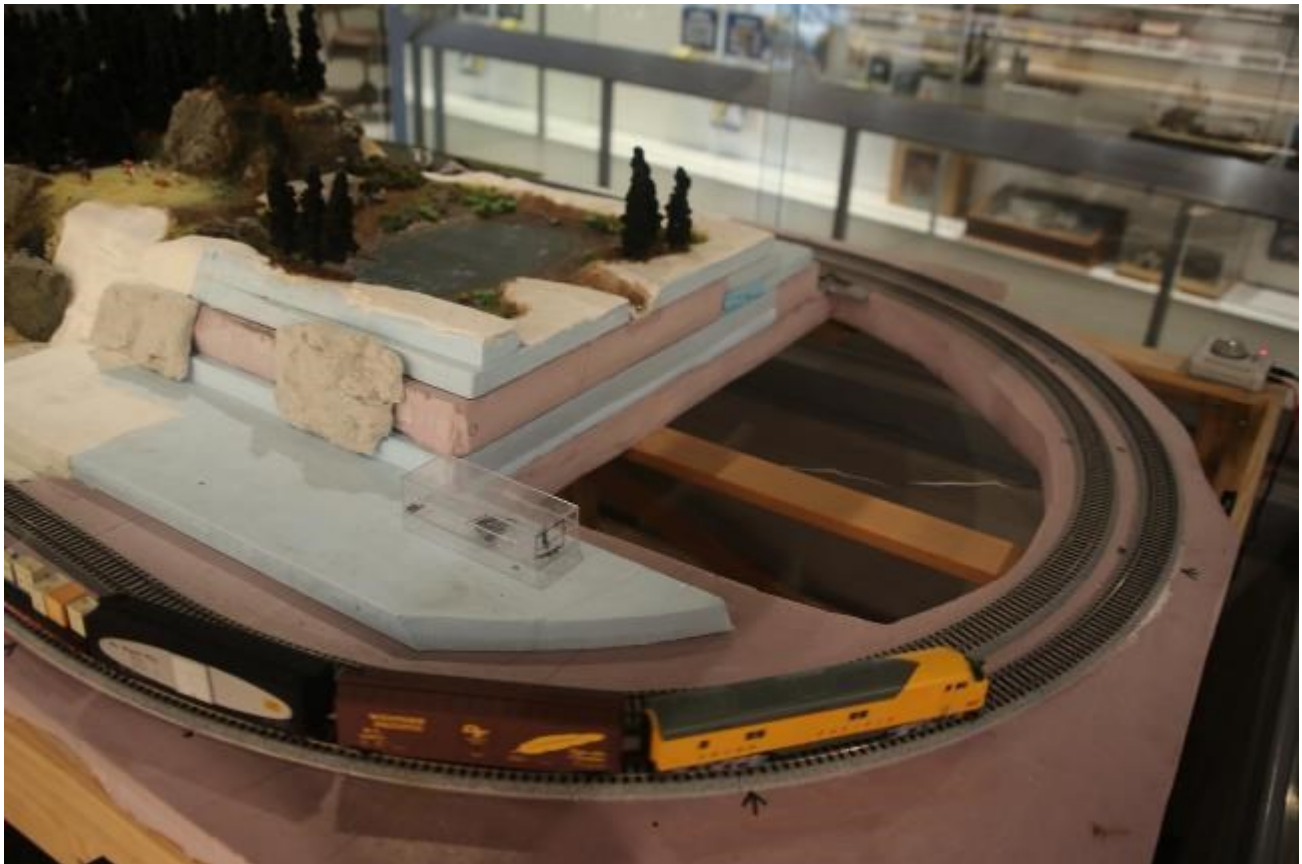


Since the museum is virtually located on the Sierra Division's front doorstep, we have a few volunteer opportunities to lend a hand with the exhibit. There is already a team of division members who help to maintain the small HO scale layout located within the exhibit. The layout maintainer's duties include track cleaning as well as making sure the locomotives and rolling stock meet NMRA recommended practices for weight, couplers and wheels. The team is seeking one or two individuals that live within a 20-minute drive to the museum to be available to deal with issues on the layout.

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Another brand-new volunteer opportunity for division members is still in the development stage as details are being worked out with the museum's management. This opportunity would be an NMRA "ambassador" that will be present on the floor during weekends to interact with museum's guests while they are visiting the exhibit. Good people skills and a general knowledge of the NMRA organization is required along with familiarity with the contents of the exhibit. Training for this position will be provided. You will set your own hours for this duty. The museum is open to the public from 10 am to 5 pm 7 days a week. If we go ahead with this plan, the museum will require volunteers to submit to a background check and fingerprinting since the ambassadors will be in contact with visitors under age 18.

Both the layout maintainer and ambassador positions will be provided with a museum employee parking lot permit as well as free admission to the museum on days that they volunteer. If you are interested in volunteering for either of these two positions, please contact Dave Putnam via email dave@daveandlisa.net or by phone (661) 753-6006.





Colusa Shasta Division



Mike Andrews and Walt Schedler
Making Trees, 2-14-2013



How it looks today, 2-14-2022 with Black fascia and all those trees in place.



**Two Scenes At Dunsmuir
On Walt Schedler's
Colusa Shasta Division**





Colusa Shasta Division

A heads up for the next OP session. It will be on April 30. We have 16 positions open.

Please RSVP with the following #:

#1 I will be there for sure.

#2 I plan to be there, will finalize later.

Then add desired available job #

More RSVP:

3 Can't make this one, Keep me on the list.

4 Sorry I am unable to come, Please take me off the the List.

April 30, 2022, OP SESSION

Arrive 9:15-9:30 am

Orientation at 9:45 am

We use JMRI Scheduling and Crew Paper Work

Lunch at Noon \$5.00 + **ANY TIP FOR CAROLYN - OUR GREAT HOSTESS AND COOK.**

Store will be open AT NOON 15-20% off most items. Some close outs too.

Last Train out at 4:00 pm - tie-down at 4:45

The Train Store will be open again at 4:30.

Walt and Carolyn Schedler

1140 3rd St.

Colusa, CA

408-431-1660

No Mask Mandate, **COME AND ENJOY – \$5 RR “Beans”**

PLEASE CHECK YOUR AVAILABILITY AND JOB DESIRES:

1=WILL BE THERE PLEASE HOLD THE FOLLOWING JOB# OR ANY JOB NEEDED

2= I PLAN ON IT BUT WILL FIRM UP LATER - I DESIRE THE FOLLOWING JOB#

3= SORRY CAN'T MAKE THIS ONE - KEEP ME ON THE LIST

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1. Superintendent	Walt Schedler
2. JMRI SCHEDULER/Planner	Ed Zeis
3. CHIEF TRAIN DISPATCHER (W. R. PETTY) - UNION-HOURLY	Dennis Drury
4. Crew Dispatcher	Ed Zeis
5. Car Clerk/Runner	Perry Hunt
ROAD ENGINE CREWS – SCHEDULED MAIN-LINE TRAINS and TURNS	
6. VAL. Crew A – SCHEDULED TRAIN Engineer/Conductor/Brakeman –	John Hunt
7. Val. Crew B – SCHEDULED TRAIN Engineer/Conductor/Brakeman –	Open
• Gerber-Redding Turn (Redding, Red Bluff and Cotton Wood	
• Klamath Mail #20	
8. Val. Crew C – SCHEDULED TRAIN Engineer/Conductor/Brakeman -	Open
9. Val. Crew D – SCHEDULED TRAIN Engineer/Conductor/Brakeman –	Open
10. Mt. Crew A – SCHEDULED TRAIN Engineer/Conductor/Brakeman –	Open
• Klamath Mail #19	
11. Mt. Crew B – SCHEDULED TRAIN Engineer/Conductor/Brakeman –	Open
12. Mt. Crew C – SCHEDULED TRAIN Engineer/Conductor/Brakeman –	Open
13. Mt. Crew D – SCHEDULED TRAIN Engineer/Conductor/Brakeman –	Open
YARDMASTERS AND YARD CREWS	
14. NORTH YARDMASTER [Station Agent] In Yard Operations – Herder	Open
• DUNY Herder, Foreman of Engines, Redding Herder	
• Review Engine Requirements for the day's operation	
• Coordinate all engine servicing for East and Westbound Steam	
15. DUNY North Yard Hostler/(Engine Foreman/Switchman/Herder) -	Open
• Hostler, House Track switcher	
• Turn all engines and Caboose requests	
• Bunker Oil/Diesel Fuel unloading/switching	
• Gerber/Redding outside Yard Crew (Engine Foreman/herder)	
16. SOUTH YARDMASTER [Station Agent] In Yard switching operations –	Mike Hamlin
17. South Yard Crew (Engine Foreman/Switchman/Herder) West End –	Open
• Disconnect Engines and caboose on East Bound Freights	
• Coordinate any Local Switching of Diesel and Bunker C cars	
• Break down Two East Bound freights into three Freights	
18. South Yard Crew (Engine Foreman/Switchman/Herder) East End -	Open
• "Dunsmuir Local" DUNY/DUSY Engineer/Conductor	
• Take Steam engines to DUNY for service and turn for West Bound to Gerber.	
• Remove and turn Valley Caboose and Provide East Bound Mountain Caboose	
-	
19. GERBER Footboard Yardmaster-[Station Agent] – (sit down job) -	Wayne Monger
20. MT SHASTA / K-FALLS FOOTBOARD YARDMASTER-[STATION AGENT]	Open
• Mt Shasta Local –or call for crew, Mt Shasta Azalea cattle Pen and Mott Lumber -	
• SP House Track	
• SP/McCloud RR Interchange Yard - Foot Board Foreman	
• Black Butte Foot Board Foreman – Wye Track controller	
• Siskiyou Staging Crew – Foot Board Foreman	
• K-FALLS HERDER Staging Crew – Foot Board Foreman	
21. McCloud RR Yard / Black Butte West End – YM Foot Board Foreman –	Open
• McCloud YM Foot Board Foreman	
• McCloud - (Engineer/Switchman)	
• Black Butte West End Foot Board Foreman-	
22. RIP TRACK FOREMAN (repair, as required, at Work Station)	Open
23. Train Watchers	Open
24. Extra Board	Open
A – Valley, B – Valley · C – Mt · D – Mt	



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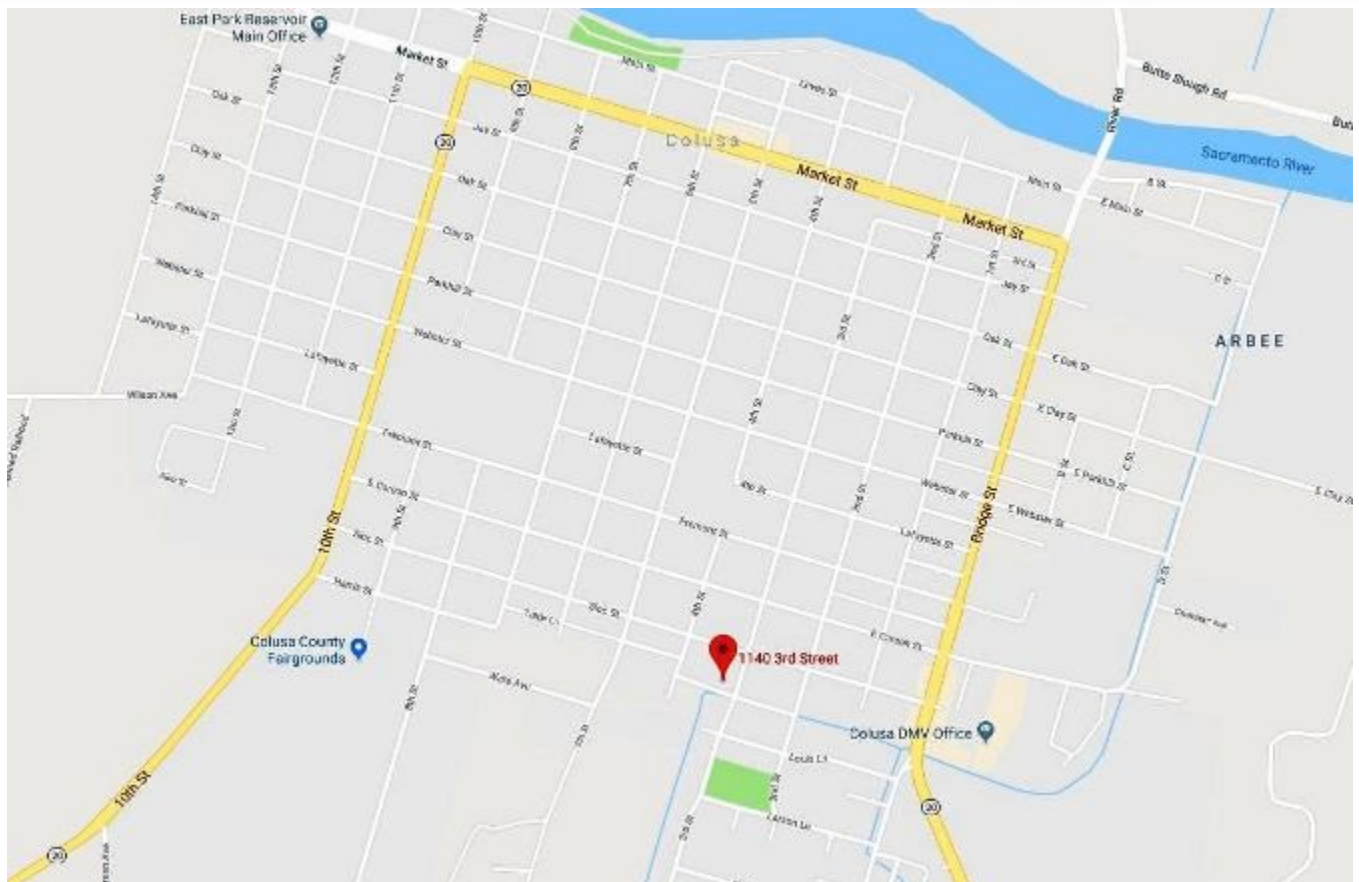
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Over two weekends last December, prior to Christmas, the Sierra Division teamed up with the San Joaquin Valley Toy Train Operators, to display and operate a Christmas theme train layout at the Shelter Cove Community Church in Modesto. The San Joaquin group brought their portable layout, and Jim Collins (upper left) added a module he built expressly for this event.

This, fellow members, is hobby ambassadorship on a grand scale—*HO scale, to be precise.*

Thanks to Jim Collins and Brandon Salas for representing our division.



(all photos: Brandon Salas)





The Sierra Division Continues to Meet Via ZOOM.



**Pacific Coast Region
President, Frank Markovich**

We never know who might show up! At a recent Sierra Division ZOOM meet we had virtual visits from PCR President, Frank Markovich and National NMRA President, Gordy Robinson.

We've been holding Saturday morning virtual meets via ZOOM for some time now. What was an answer to the COVID mitigation measures during the pandemic, has proven to be an ongoing and viable part of our program(s) as a division.

These ZOOM meets take place on the second Saturday of the months when we do not have an in-person meet. The start time is always 10:30 AM, and we're usually finished by noon.

You should be receiving the invitations and the meeting links from our host and ZOOM coordinator, Jim Collins. If you're not, let us know. We would love to have you with us. Here are the dates for the next six meetings:

April 9, 2022

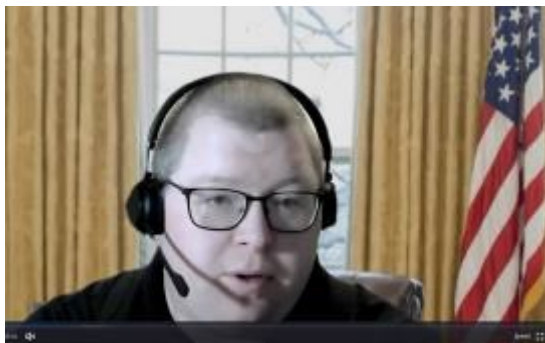
June 11, 2022

July 9, 2022

September 10, 2022

November 12, 2022

December 10, 2022



**NMRA National President,
Gordy Robinson**

ZOOM ON IN AND JOIN THE DISCUSSION

March Meet Sacramento

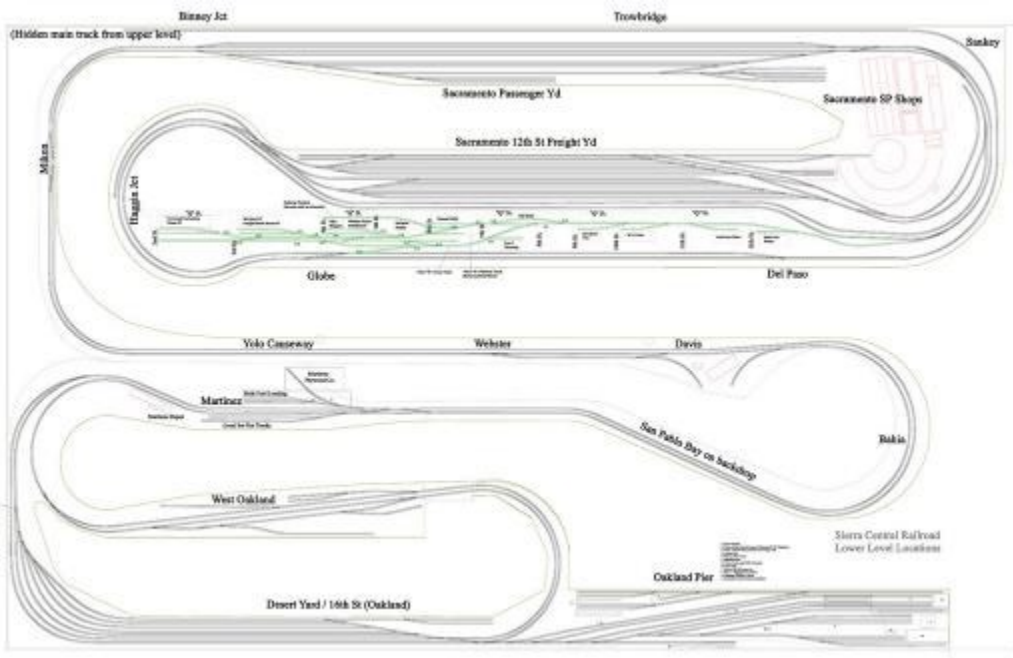


Another Great OP Session at SMRHS took place the morning of March 12. Several Sierra Division members were on hand to handle various jobs around and about the club layout, Sierra Central Railroad. As always, this was a great morning of railroad fun and fellowship, and that's not all! At 11:30 AM we all enjoyed a barbecued hot dog and cheeseburger lunch prepared by Steve Folino.

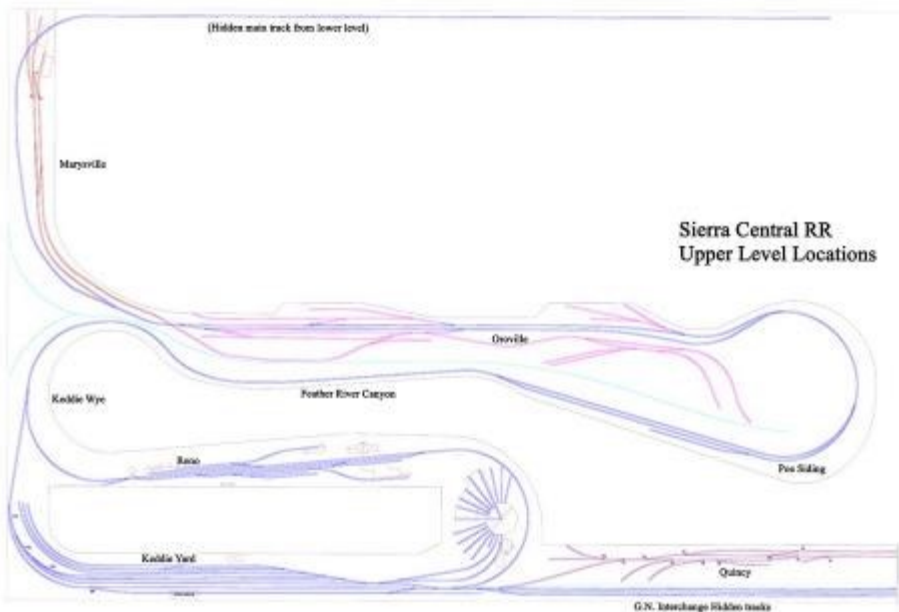


Chef Steve At Work Grilling Lunch

The Sierra Central is a close depiction of the Southern Pacific and Western Pacific lines running in and out of Sacramento. The SP runs east to Oakland and West Oakland. The WP runs west through the Northern Sacramento Valley and the Feather River Canyon to Keddie, Quincy, and Reno. The hub of the railroad is the 12th Street yard — Sacramento. Other active yards include the Sacramento Passenger Yard, 16th Street—Oakland, Keddie, and Reno.



LOWER LEVEL



Sierra Central RR Upper Level Locations

UPPER LEVEL



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All Is Quiet at 12th Street Before The OP Session Starts

Dave Putnam Gets Some Pre-Session Instructions From The 12th Street Yardmaster



Dispatcher, Brian Witt, Enjoys A Rare Moment Of Relaxation



David Fryman Doing A Radio Check Before Getting The "Highball" From The Dispatcher.

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A Large Number Of Customers In The R Street Commercial Area Will See No Train Service Today. Normally This Is A Busy Spot, But A Crew Shortage Renders The Rails Temporarily Silent.



Brandon Salas And His Crew Member Are Working In The Feather River Canyon



Jim Collins Comes On Duty At 12th Street

The Sacramento Roundhouse Has Put Out The "NO VACANCY" Sign



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The Editor's Favorite Scene:
Table Mountain—Oroville

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SIERRA DIVISION MEETING

After Lunch at SMRHS, we reconvened at the First Christian Church on Folsom Blvd. An informal head-count revealed an attendance of at least twenty. We took care of a brief bit of business, and we heard from Ed Pultz about the 2022 International Rail Fair. Ed's presentation was followed by a clinic on work benches, presented by Lou Anderson.



Lou Anderson On Work Benches

We took a brief break to judge the several contest entries. This time the categories were Modeling: Weathered Locos, Photography: Favorite Railroad Picture, and Railroad Arts and Crafts. See the results of the contest on the following pages.



Contest Chair, Mike Hamlin, Is Busy Counting The Votes



Ed Pultz Discusses The International Rail Fair

We were all treated to a special presentation by Klaus Keil. Klaus shared models of WW II Locomotives and Specialized Rail Cars used by US Forces.

Our final activity of the day was the door prize drawing. Everyone won something, and several folks went away with extra items, thanks to a generous donation of prizes from Brandon Salas.



Klaus Keil And A Bit Of European History



Door Prizes. Thanks, Brandon !!

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March Meet Sacramento

CONTEST WINNERS

MODELING CONTEST



1st Place
Walt Schedler



2nd Place
Walt Schedler



3rd Place
Brandon Salas



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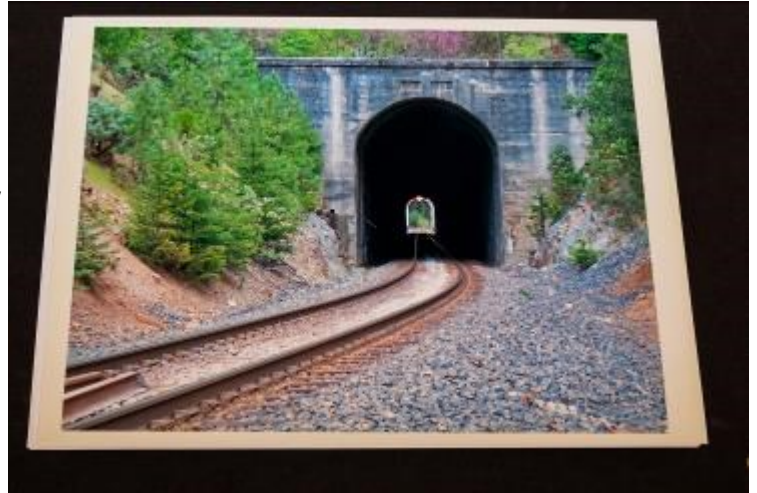
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CONTEST WINNERS

PHOTO CONTEST



**1st Place
Walt Schedler**



**2nd Place
Walt Schedler**



**3rd Place
Mike Brady**



How To Clean Track In A Tunnel



Chessie?





PACKRATT TRAINS & TOYS
Matt Padgett

546 Kentucky Street - Gridley, CA 95948
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Open Wednesday thru Friday 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM and Saturday 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM

If you would like for Sierra Division events to appear in your personal calendar, you can link to the calendar on the Sierra Division website. This will work if you use Google Calendar, Outlook, or Apple's Calendar app. Go to the Sierra Division website, <http://www.pcrnmra.org/sierra>, and click on Calendar. On the right you will see a link to a page that describes how to link to the Sierra Division calendar from your calendar. After that, when events are placed on the Sierra Division calendar they will automatically appear in your calendar also.

Questions or need help? meldridge2000@gmail.com



It's coming, it's coming....

The 2023 PCR & FRRS/WPRM Convention

Rails by the River

April 26 thru April 30, 2023

Courtyard by Marriott

1782 Tribute Road

Sacramento, CA 95815



Features

- 36 Clinics
- Layout tours organized by Scott Inman
- Vendor room on Thursday & Friday
- Swap meet room on Saturday
- Extra fare activities
- Separate, secure contest room



Convention wearables by Daylight Sales

Volunteers Needed

- Contest Coordinator
- Facilities manager
- Advertising sales & door prize collector
- Country Store Keeper
- Timetable designer
- Clinicians and presenters



Chip Meriam

Chip Meriam
Sierra Division Superintendent
2023 Convention Co-Chair



The Sierra Division, PCR-NMRA is making available to Sierra Division members a “kit” containing the necessary tools and instructions to complete the part 3 requirements of the NMRA Model Railroad Engineer – Civil Certificate. More information on the requirement is at: www.nmra.org/civil

The Kit:

The kit includes tools and templates sufficient to create the following (you only need to construct 3):

- HO Scale #5, Code 83 Right-hand turnout
- HO Scale #5, Code 83 Left-hand turnout
- HO Scale #5, Code 83 Single crossover
- HO Scale #5, Code 83 Double crossover
- HO Scale #5, Code 83 Crossing 14 degree

How the System Works:

- Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis. All reservations will be for a calendar month. Requests must be sent to louiesqd@att.net.
- The kit will be shipped via UPS on the first day of the month. Arrival should be within 2-3 days.
- The member may use the kit for what should be, **about** three weeks.
- The member must ship the kit back, postage pre-paid by the 25th of the month. This will allow us time to check and clean the kit and still send it out again on the first of the month. Zip ties and address information will be included in the kit. Return the kit to:
Lou Anderson, 100 Buddy Drive, Woodland, CA 95776.

Reservations:

The rental fee and deposit must be received by the 15th of the preceding month.

The rental fee for the kit is \$25.00 by separate check. This will cover the cost of shipping the kit to the member, cleaning costs and additional packaging as needed.

A deposit in the amount of \$500.00 must be included by separate check. This check will **NOT** be deposited unless the kit is not returned. When the kit is returned, the check will be destroyed.

Mail both checks, made payable to the Sierra Division, to:

Lou Anderson, 100 Buddy Drive, Woodland, CA 95776.

Preparation/Supplies:

Be prepared. Have all supplies ready and on-hand in advance of the arrival of the kit. You will need:

Micro-Engineering Code 83 NON-weathered rail, have extra on hand.

Small diameter solder.

Soldering iron, min 35 watts.

Instructions and a DVD are including in the kit or you can go to <https://www.handlaidtrack.com/> for more information.

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If you have questions, please direct them to Lou Anderson at louiesqd@att.net. or Chip Meriam at chipmeriam@comcast.net.



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