

SUPER'S SIGNAL

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June 2013

Superintendent's Report

Robert E. Lee, Division 6 Super

Remember the old saying, "if you haven't done it by now, it won't get done" that means the weather is getting nicer and the yard is calling and the kids will soon be out of school and Mama has plans. So the railroad and the modeling are now on the back burner, oh well. Hopefully we can maintain some sort of sanity in the mist of it all.

If you have the time, I would like for you to read a couple of articles in the May 2013 issue of the *NMRA Magazine*. The first one is by our new NMRA President, Charlie Getz, entitled *the Honeymoon is over-The members React*, and I think you will agree on the comments from the *Member Letters* section. Also try to read *Mail Car Reader Feedback* page 9, entitled *Why join the NMRA*, the last paragraph is the key. After all this reading, ask yourself "Why don't I participate," answer, Food for thought.

The new *NMRA eBulletin* has replaced the old *NMRA Info-net*. This issue has the results of the NMRA National election mention earlier. The part that pertains to us is the At-Large Worldwide Director who now is Mike Brestel, the old NMRA President. The new At Large North American Director is Mike Yurzec who replaced Miles Hale, MMR. Also Gerry Leone, MMR, is the new Vice-President Special Projects.

**Next Division 6 Steering
Committee Meeting
14 August 7:30 PM
at John Retterer's**

Our new project for the division, "track cleaning Pads," has been a big hit. If you haven't got yours yet, they are available at division meetings and we will have

them at the convention in Dayton. Your support is needed.

We would like to welcome our new members this month: Patrick Gillivan; Don Ingwersen; Bill Vogt and Sondra Woods. Hop on board, for your journey with Division 6 and model railroading.

Don't forget the big meeting in Marion, Ohio, Saturday, June 15 at the Marion Union Station. **The Super's Report** Continued on page 8.

15 June 2013 (Saturday) Marion Union Station Marion, Ohio

9:00: Marion Union Station Opens

9:45: Clinic: *Introduction To Division 6 Media* by Matt Goodman

11:00: Clinic: *Built A Model* by Dick Briggs, MMR

[Limited: 15 members, Cost: \$15, Model: Country Church]

12:30: Flea Market and AP Judging

1:00: Lunch (on your own) & Flea Market and AP Judging continued

2:15: Clinic: *Quick, Cheap, and in a Hurry* by Dave Stout, Division 9

3:30: Division 6 Business Meeting and Bring & Brag

4:15 (or meeting end): Raffle Drawing

4:20: Train Watching!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Model Contest: Modular Layouts.

Photography Contest: Motive Power.

Clerk's Report

Dexter Hill, Deputy Clerk

Minutes for the 7 April, 2013 Meeting St. John's Lutheran Church, Grove City

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The Division 6 Business Meeting was called to order by Bob Lee, Division 6 Superintendent, at the St John's Lutheran Church. Bob thanked the church for hosting this Division 6 meeting. Bob also thanked Mike Marines for presenting his program about the 2013 MCR Convention in Dayton, Ohio.

Officers in Attendance:

Superintendent	Bob Lee
Assistant Superintendent	Bill Connell
Deputy Clerk	Dexter Hill
Director	Howard Smith, MMR
Director	Paul E. Smith
Director	Donald Wilke

Chairpersons Present:

Achievement Program	Howard Smith, MMR
Contest	John Retterer
Media	Matt Goodman
Program	Bill Connell
<i>Super's Signal</i> Publisher	Don Wilke
Web Master	Don Wilke

Mid-Central Region Officer Present:

President	Dick Briggs, MMR
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Clerk's Report: Dexter Hill. The Superintendent asked if there were any additions and/or corrections to the January 27, 2013 meeting minutes as shown in the latest *Super's Signal*. None were suggested. Dick Briggs made a motion to accept the minutes are presented, Don Wilke seconded. The motion was approved.

Paymaster's Report: John Gafney. The Paymaster was not present, so Bob Lee read the Paymaster's Report to the attendees. Paul Smith made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented, Dick Briggs seconded. The motion was approved.

Program Report: Bill Connell. Bill reported that the 2014 program and contest schedule is complete. He indicated that the Division 6 2014 schedule would have 5 meetings. He is currently working on the 2015 schedule. He suggested that the first meeting in 2014 be held on March 30, 2014. He reminded the attendees about the June 15, 2013, meeting in Marion, the Joint meeting with Division 9, the Canal Winchester meeting and the Coshocton meeting. He proposed to cancel the December 18, 2014, Steering Committee Meeting.

Contest Report: John Retterer. John reported that the contest results are:

- 1st Place, Model - Howard Smith
- 2nd Place, Model - Howard Smith
- 1st Place, Photo - Don Wilke
- 2nd Place, Photo - Dexter Hill
- 3th Place, Photo - Dave Matheny

Achievement Program Report: Howard Smith, MMR. Howard Smith said that he has sent in the paperwork for John Retterer's maintenance car.

Website Report: Don Wilke. No report

Super's Signal Report: Bob Lee.

The Clerk's Report

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DIVISION 6 OFFICERS

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John Retterer,

Donald Wilke:

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Contest: John Retterer

Media: Matt Goodman

Members Aid: Howard Smith, MMR

Membership: Dave Mathney

Program: Bill Connell

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Dick Briggs, MMR:

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NMRA Central District Director

Robert Beaty, MMR

Non-Credited Photos by Donald Wilke

Continued: **The Clerk's Report**

Bob indicated that everyone has received their copy of the *Super's Signal* earlier than in the past; from 7 to 10 days before the Division 6 Meeting.

Media Report: Matt Goodman. Matt said that Division 6 has both a Facebook page and a YouTube presence. Photos of the model and photo winners will be shown on the division's Facebook page. The Facebook page is titled the NMRA Buckeye Division.



Division 6 on YouTube:

www.youtube.com/user/nmrabuckeyedivision



NMRA Buckeye Division [in search field]

Membership Report: Dave Matheny. Dave indicated that the division has 2 new members. As of April 1, 2013, the division has 170 members.

MCR President's Report: Dick Briggs. Dick indicated that the MCR election results are being tallied. He expressed some concerns about membership retention and recruiting.

OLD BUSINESS

Bob Lee told the attendees about the passing of John E. Roberts, MMR, HLM [Honorary Lifetime Member].

NEW BUSINESS

NMRA Info-net: The Superintendent read pertinent items from the NMRA Info-net to the attendees.

2016 MCR Convention Bid: Bob Lee told the attendees that the Steering Committee has decided to pursue submitting a bid for hosting the 2016 MCR Convention. The division will submit this bid to the MCR Board at the BOD Meeting in Dayton.

Division 6 Fund Raising Project: Bill Connell explained the plan to sell a track cleaning product as a fund raiser for the division. Bill said to contact him if interested in purchasing this track cleaner.

Pre-ordering MRR Products: Bob Lee led a discussion of the pitfalls of ordering Model Rail Road products before their actual manufacture. Biggest issues include

extremely long deliveries and cancelation of production run for the product.

Upcoming Train Shows: Bob Lee reminded every one of some upcoming train shows. This included the April 20, 2013, show in Columbus; the June 8, 2013, event put on by the North East Live Steamers; the September 28, 2013, event featuring steam locomotives; and the October 19 & 20, 2013, show in Cincinnati.

Marion Meeting: The Superintendent reminded everyone about the next division meeting to be held in Marion on June 15.

Steering Committee Meeting: The Superintendent reminded everyone that the next Steering Committee Meeting would be May 8 at Matt Goodman's home.

Signal Deadline: The *Super's Signal* deadline is May 8.

Next Division 6 Meeting: Bob Lee reminded everyone that the next Division 6 Meeting would be on June 15 in Marion, Ohio.

Model and Photo Contest: The model category for the June meeting is small modular layouts, and the photo category is motive power.

Division raffle: Dick Briggs said that the initial raffle was successful and suggested have future raffle at division meetings.

15-18 May 2013

Operations Dayton, MCR 2013 Convention

www.mcr2013convention.com

CLUB REPORTS

N-Scalers: They indicated that they will have a two layouts on display on May 20 at the Buckeye show.

Columbus MRR Club: The Columbus Club was visited by a film crew from WOSU. They filmed the layout and some of the trains running on the layout.

COMRC: They reported about the circus layout. It is reported to be in poor condition. COMRC said that they would provide space for putting this layout on display. Division 6 folks need to investigate reports on layout condition and report back to membership.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: Bill Connell made a motion to adjourn, motion approved. Meeting ended at 3:35 p.m.



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FREESHIP

Division 6 – 2013 Time Table

SUPER'S SIGNAL June 2013

Date	Event	Location	Contest
19 Dec	Steering Comm Meeting	Bob Lee's, 7:30, Reynoldsburg	
27 Jan	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Columbus HO Model RR Club Layout: Columbus HO Model RR Club	Model: Revenue Car Photo: Unique Revenue Car
20 Feb	Steering Comm Meeting	Bill Connell's, Hilliard, 7:00	
20 Feb	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
7 Apr	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: St. John's Lutheran Church, Grove City Layouts:	Model: Steam Locomotive Photo: Steam Locomotive
8 May	Steering Comm Meeting	Matt Goodman's, Columbus, 7:30	
8 May	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
15-18 May	MCR Convention	<i>Operations Dayton</i>	Modeler's Choice
15 Jun (Sat)	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Marion Union Station, Marion, Ohio Clinics: <i>Introduction to Division 6 Media</i> by Matt Goodman <i>Built a Laser kit Model</i> by Dick Briggs, MMR, \$15, Limited <i>Quick, Cheap & In A Hurry</i> by Dave Stout	Model: Small Modular Layout, theme Motive Power Photo: Motive Power
14 Aug	Steering Comm Meeting	John Retterer's, Prospect, 7:30	
14 Aug	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
Sep	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Joint Meeting with Division 9, Portsmouth, Ohio Layout: Mark Maynard's	Model: none Photo: none
11 Sep	Steering Comm Meeting	Howard Smith's, Grove City, 7:30	
11 Sep	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
13 Oct	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting:, Canal Winchester Layout:	Model: Non-Revenue Car Photo: Non-Revenue Car
23 Oct	Steering Comm Meeting	Dave Matheny's, Galloway, 7:30	
23 Oct	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
17 Nov	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Coshocton Model Railroad Club Layouts: Coshocton Model Railroad Club	Model: Structure Photo: Unusual Structure
18 Dec	Steering Comm Meeting	Bill Connell's, Columbus, 7:00	



Division 6 Paymaster Report

John Gafney, Division 6 Paymaster

NMRA MCR Div 6

Financial Statement 3/1/2013 thru 4/30/2013

**To see the Division 6 Paymaster's Report,
contact the Division 6 Superintendent at:**

Super@Div6-MCR-NMRA.org

Prepared by John Gafney
Paymaster 4/30/13



Division 6 Derailed Members

Tom Fox, Sr., is now at the
Volunteers of America Eastland Care Center
(near Eastland Mall)
2425 Kimberly Parkway, East
Columbus, Ohio, 43227
Room: 203.
Phone number 614-868-9306, Ext. 203.

See The Division 6 WEB Site - News and Notes for up-
dated information.

Please do take some time to visit with these members if
you are able.



**Division 6 MCR
Present the**

**Saturday
June 15, 2013
9am-Until**

Marion Station

Marion, Ohio

**Division 6
Meeting
3:30pm**

All Day Train Fest

3-Clinics

1. Introduction to Division 6 Media.
9:45am-10:45am (Matt Goodman)

2. Build a Model -AMB Laser Kit
(Country Church)
11:00am-Noon (Dick Briggs MMR.)
(cost \$15.00 per kit)

12:30-1:00pm Mini Flea Market & AP judging

1:00-2:00pm Lunch (carryover of the above)

3. Quick; Cheap and in a Hurry.
2:15pm-3:15pm (Dave Stout)

Division 6 Business Mtg./Bring&Brag
3:30pm-4:15pm

Raffle Drawing after meeting.



AP Judging

Train Watching
All Day



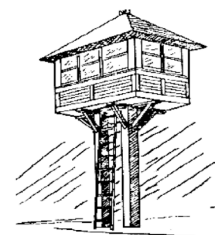
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Mini Flea Market
*Note: Please bring your
OWN tables*

**Cold Soda and Water available
Lunch is on you at near by Restaurants**

Marion Flyer 6-15-2013

Sponsored by Division 6 MCR NMRA
And
The Marion Station Historical Society



Images From The St. John's Meeting



First Place Model
Baltimore & Ohio 2-8-8-0 by Howard Smith



First Place Photo
Cumbres & Toltec #487 by Don Wilke



**Mike Marinas gives his presentation on the
MCR 2013 Convention in Dayton**

View all the St. John's Meeting contest winners on the Division 6 Archive at:
<http://archive.div6-mcr-nmra.org/Contest.html>



eBulletin

Don Wilke, Web Master

NMRA Info-net has been renamed NMRA eBulletin. It is now available in the Division 6 Archive at:
<http://archive.div6-mcr-nmra.org/MainPage.html>



Pike Ads

Don Wilke, Signal Publisher

Attention Division 6 Members; back again – Pike Ads. Your Pike Ad will run from the next issue of the *Super's Signal* to the January 2014 issue for \$15.

Requirements: Division 6 member in good standing, a check to Paymaster John Gafney (payable to Division 6), and a business card (or a photo with business card ratio – NO pdfs) to Publisher Don Wilke.

Pike Ads may be in a single location or may be used as “filler” to finish out a page.



Continued: **The Super's Report**

It is an all day affair with clinics; flea market; raffle and train watching. See you there.

Our next division meeting will be June 15 at the Marion Union Station, Marion, Ohio. The meeting will start at 3:30 pm.

Thanks, Your Super - Bob Lee



AP Report

Howard R. Smith, MMR, AP Chair

This month's report is an invitation to an Achievement Program Judging Event at the June meeting in Marion, Ohio. Qualified judges will be available to review your models using the NMRA Judges' Score Sheet form. A copy of the form is included in the *Super's Signal*. Please copy as many forms as needed or go to the NMRA web site (www.nmra.org) for additional copies. Also please complete a form for each model to be judged. [Also available at: http://div6-mcr-nmra.org/Contest_Page.html (DON)]

We will be judging only Motive Power, Cars, and Structures categories for this event. It is important to remember that the plan is to score at least 87 ½ points to earn a merit award. Merit awards then can be used for the AP certificate you are seeking. Therefore bring

your best models. Models that are kit-bashed or scratchbuilt and/or superdetailed may have the best chance of getting a merit award. You should not bring an out of the box kit and expect to score 87 ½ points.

This is a great opportunity to participate in the AP program and to have your models judged.

I have received an AP Certificate *Association Official* for Paul Smith; Paul received his certificate at the last Steering Committee Meeting. Congratulation Paul. Thanks for your service to the MCR.

Also I have submitted a Merit Award for a great model of maintenance of way tool car built by John Retterer. Well done John.

Come join us at Marion.



Membership Report

Dave Matheny, Membership Chair

The following memberships expire February 28, 2013:

Robert Albert	Karl Emler	Chris Walsh
Kenneth Beamer	John Frazier	Jonathan Young
James Caldwell	Robert Horner	
Carl Crowe	Michael Ippoliti	

Active Members:

175 - February 1, 2013
173 - January 1, 2013
176 - December 1, 2012
173 - February 1, 2012

The following memberships expire March 31, 2013:

Steven Beyer	Joe Brackett	Paul Farley	Donald McKelvey	Marla Wright
Barbara Beyer	Fred Cathers	Michelle Farley	Jack Roberts	

Have you changed your address or other membership information?

Notify headquarters by email: nmrahq@aol.com

By phone: 423-892-2846 (9am - 4:30pm, ET)

Or by mail to: NMRA, Inc.
4121 Cromwell Rd
Chattanooga, TN 37421-2119

The membership expiration reminders are provided as a courtesy to our members in case you may have forgotten or misplaced the renewal mailing sent by National.

Questions about when your membership expires can be handled by your Division 6 Membership Chair, Dave Matheny, MembershipChair@div6-mcr-nmra.org



Marion Judge's Score Sheet

JUDGES' SCORE SHEET for NMRA MODEL CONTEST

Model Description _____ **Entry No.** _____

Describe the model in detail. Check all the items that apply. Add additional data attached sheet. Attach extra pages with photos/plans/drawings and additional description as needed. Add as much additional information as possible about techniques and work incurred. If there is not enough space in any area, continue on attached sheet.

1. CONSTRUCTION (Maximum 40 Points)

Points Awarded

- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drew my Own Plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Followed construction article | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Used Prototype Plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut and fit metal | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut and fit cardstock |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Used kit plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut and fit plastic | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut and fit glass |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Used commercial plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut and fit wood | <input type="checkbox"/> Crosskitted or kitbashed |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Soldered |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Made patterns |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Made molds |

Describe in detail how model was built, complexity of construction , methods used.

2. DETAIL (Maximum 20 Points)

Points Awarded

Describe complexity, difficulty, refinement, amount of additional detail parts added.

3. CONFORMITY (Maximum 25 Points)

Points Awarded

Give information as to prototype modeled or explain logic of design. Include copies of photos, drawings and plans.

4. FINISH and LETTERING (Maximum 25 Points)

Points Awarded

<i>Finish:</i>	Weathered	Non-Weathered	Spray	Airbrush	Mask and Spray.
<i>Signs & Lettering:</i>	Decals	Hand Letter	Dry Transfers	Photo Reduction	Photo Etching

Describe finish and lettering methods in detail

5. SCRATCHBUILDING. (Maximum 15 Points)

Points Awarded

List all parts you have fabricated. Note any special or unusual features added.

This space for contest committee only.

Score Tabulated by _____ Verified by _____

NMRA Contest Form 902 Rev B, 23 July 2000. All previous versions of this Form are obsolete.

FINAL TOTAL





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