

Super's Signal

A publication of Division 6, Mid Central Region of The National Model Railroad Association, Inc.

September 2021

Superintendent's Report

Matt Goodman, Division 6 Super

With our second in-person meeting (Columbus SE Library on 8/15), it's time to look forward to upcoming events in our division. I want to extend a warm "Thank You" to member George Stringer for his well-organized and interesting presentation on *Making Roads with Plastic Sign Boards*.

Speaking of presentations, Clinic Chair Mike Wolf is looking for a November clinician. He also would like multiple quick-hitter (5-10 minute) presenters for December. See his article for more detail elsewhere in this issue.

On the near horizon is our traditional joint meeting with Division 9 in Portsmouth at Mark Maynard's house and layout in September. Mark has a unique layout set up in a unique location – in a barn! He's a master of functional animation and uses those to enhance realism. Look for warehouses with automated doors, derails, and turnouts tied to keyed locks, and other fun things. New in 2019 (2020 meeting–canceled) is a remote dispatcher's office that I'm sure will be in full operation this year.

Mark is a tremendously good-natured host and puts on a great get-together complete with food. If you haven't made the trip down, I encourage you to do so this year. If you want to share a ride, post a comment on our mailing list (nmrabuckeyedivision@groups.io).

Further down the road is our third annual **Cambridge Train Show** in October. After a one-year hiatus, we are excited about staging this show in 2021. We need volunteers to make events like this work. This includes people to help set up and tear down, man the ticket booth, help vendors load and unload, and manning our division's table. And of course, having a good time spending money! If you're interested, contact me and I'll get you in touch with Greg. If you haven't volunteered before, this is a good way to get started and perhaps get to know other members a bit better.

Super's Signal Deadline
16 September

11 September In-Person & Zoom Mark Maynard's Brouses Run Road West Portsmouth

Layout: Crusty Mountain & Windy Springs Railroad

8:00: Layout opens if you wish to run trains on the *Crusty*

11:00: Things really get rolling. Visit the layout, set out items to sell, socialize, and run the *Crusty*

11:15: Contest entries opens

12:30: Contest entries closes

12:30: Barbecue lunch, Flea Market

1:30: Contest voting begins

1:45: Contest voting ends

2:00: Division 6 Meeting begins

2:40: Contest Results announced

3:00: Continue running trains and socializing

Model Contest: Steam Engine

Virtual Photography Contest: Steam Engine

Along the Train Show lines, a lot of pre-work has gotten the ball rolling. Greg Short is responsible for securing the Pritchard Laughlin venue; Darrell Logan has pitched in the flier, and coupon printing; Pat Hreachmack and Bill, Carter Jastram, John Gafney, Al Doddroe, Fred Mapes, Mike Wolf, and Jim Borcz have distributed fliers. Thanks to everyone who is working hard behind the scenes - many hands make small work.

In closing, I recently completed the interlocking trackwork for Circleville on my layout. Those with longer memories may remember the track plan we worked out with the help of a Zoom call. I set up cameras on the interlocking trackwork, and about a dozen people joined Zoom (over two sessions) to provide input, ideas, and cautions. Similarly, Pat Hreachmack had a DCC question answered via an ad-hoc Zoom screen-sharing session with

The Super's Report
Continued on [page 4](#).

DIVISION 6 OFFICERS**Division 6 Superintendent**

Matt Goodman: 30 S. Algonquin Ave
Columbus, Ohio 43204

Super@Div6-MCR-NMRA.org

Division 6 Assistant Superintendent

Dexter Hill:

AssistSuper@Div6-MCR-NMRA.org

Division 6 Clerk

Carter Jastram:

DepClerk@Div6-MCR-NMRA.org

Division 6 Pay Master

Jim Borcz:

Paymaster@Div6-MCR-NMRA.org

Directors

Dick Briggs, MMR

Donald Wilke,

Mike Wolf, MMR:

Director@div6-mcr-nmra.org

Appointed Division 6 Chairs

A list of Division 6 Chairs can be found at:

[https://div6-mcr-nmra.org/](https://div6-mcr-nmra.org/Officers_Page.html)

[Officers_Page.html](#)

Web Master: Don Wilke

Web_Master@div6-mcr-nmra.org

Super's Signal Pub.: Don Wilke

SuperSignalPub@div6-mcr-nmra.org

Division 6 Web Site:

www.div6-mcr-nmra.org

Mid Central Region President:

Bob Weinheimer

president@midcentral-region-nmra.org

NMRA Central District Director:

Robert Beaty, MMR

Non-Credited Photos by Donald Wilke
All Photographs and Articles are copyrighted by the submitters and may not be used without their permission.

Clerk's Report
Buckeye Division 6,
Mid Central Region, NMRA, Inc.
Hybrid Division 6 Meeting
15 August 2021

Carter Jastram, Clerk

Call to order

The Division 6 Meeting was called to order by Matt Goodman, Division 6 Superintendent, at 2:01 p.m.

Division 6 Officers Present:

Superintendent

Matt Goodman

Assistant Superintendent

Dexter Hill

Clerk

Carter Jastram

Paymaster

Jim Borcz

Director

Dick Briggs, MMR®

Director

Don Wilke

Division 6 Chairpersons Present:

Achievement Program

Dick Briggs, MMR®

Contest

Jim Ruisinger

Groups.io

Jim Ruisinger

Programs

Dexter Hill

Super's Signal Publisher

Don Wilke

Web Master

Don Wilke

Absent:

Company Store

Greg Short

Director

Mike Wolf, MMR®

Inspector of Elections

Harry "Butch" Sage

Media

Rick Brown

Membership

Rick Brown

Membership Retention

Bruce McDonald

Raffle

Harry "Butch" Sage

Train Show

Greg Short

Visitors and Guests:

Matt extended a Division 6 warm welcome to first-time attendees Bob Baker, Bob Lintelman, and Phil Rowe.

Announcements:

Matt Goodman. Matt reports that the registration for *Indy Junction 2022* is now open. Due to some resource limitations, it is best if we use the website to register online.

Reports:

Clerk's Report: Carter Jastram. The Clerk published two reports in the August 2021 *Super's Signal*. The Member Meeting Report appeared on pp. 2-4, and the Annual Meeting Report appeared at the bottom of p. 4. Both meetings were on June 19 in Marion, Ohio. The membership offered no additions or corrections.

Paymaster's Report: Jim Borcz. The membership approved the Paymaster's Report, pending audit.

Program Locations Report: Dexter Hill. Dexter reported that our next meeting will be on Saturday, September 11, at

The Clerk's Report
Continued on [page 3](#).

Continued: **Clerk's Report**

Mark Maynard's in West Portsmouth. Dexter is exploring meeting in a library room in October and in Coshocton in November. December will be a videos/slide show with Show and Tell at the Upper Arlington Library.

Program Clinics Report: Mike Wolf. Matt displayed two slides regarding future clinics. On October 10, Mike will present *Modeling Brake Systems*. The December 12 meeting will be a video and slide show event. Mike hopes that some folks will present a show-and-tell five-minute clinic on a current project. Watch the *Super's Signal* for the details.

Achievement Report: Dick Briggs. Dick has nothing new to report.

Webmaster's Report: Don Wilke. Don is making a new website page for the winners of the Howard Smith Award..

Super's Signal Report: Don Wilke. The deadline for *Signal* articles is this Thursday, August 19. If you cannot meet the deadline, contact Don to make arrangements for space in the *Super's Signal*.

Groups.io: Jim Ruisinger. Jim reports no changes. The link to Group.io is in the *Super's Signal*.

Media Report: Rick Brown. Nothing new to report.

Membership Report: Rick Brown. Matt reported our membership is stable at 167. Now that we are meeting in person again, there are some potential new members who might join.

Train Show Reports: Greg Short. Darrell will print out flyers with "Compliments of [Your Club Name Here]" added on, for anyone so interested. Matt reported that 30 tables have sold, with more likely as we approach the date. We need volunteers for duties such as cash box, talking up the NMRA with the public, set up, and tear down. We also need T-Trak modules. Matt showed a slide listing all the hobby shops that have or will receive flyers. A second slide listing all the publications in which we are advertising our Train Show.

Old Business:

There was no Old Business to take up.

New Business:

There was no New Business to take up.

Club Reports:

The 2021 Central Ohio Railroad Prototype Modelers Meet (11th Annual) will be in mid-September. See the *Super's Signal* for more information. [The Facebook website reports the meet to be September 23-25 at Marion Union Station—Clerk.] The Indianapolis Convention, *Indy Junction 2022*, is being held in conjunction with the *Chicagoland R.P.M.*

Delaware County Model Railroaders Group (Sunbury): The Group is holding a "soft open house" on Sep-

tember 18, 10 am – 2 pm, and September 19, Noon – 4 pm. The station where they meet is just east of the old Nestle plant, along the CA&C (now a rail trail).

Hocking Valley Model Railroad Club (Lancaster):

The club is open and visitors are welcome. They run on Saturday mornings.

Contest:

Certificates: Jim Ruisinger. Jim handed out certificates to the June 2021, contest winners as follows:

Third Place Model: Pat Hreachmack.

Third Place Photo: Matt Goodman.

Second Place Photo: Howdy Lamprecht.

First Place Photo: Don Wilke.

August Virtual Photo Contest—Caboose: Jim Ruisinger. Winners of the photo contest were:

Third Place: Ken McDonough

Second Place: Jim Ruisinger

First Place: Jim Oberst. Jim's mini-bobber was so mini that it barely fit onto a single freight truck.

August Model Contest—Caboose: (held in person)

Third Place: Dick Briggs, MMR®

Second Place: Ken McDonough

First Place: Howdy Lamprecht, MMR®

Thank you to all who entered, and congratulations to our winners!

The September contest is **Steam Locomotives**. The photo contest will continue to be held virtually, ahead of the September meeting. Watch your email inbox for Jim's announcement of the contest schedule, and see Jim's article Hybrid Contest #8 elsewhere in this issue. There is currently no limit to the number of photos a person may enter, but please remember: a member may only enter photos taken by oneself.

For the model contest during the meeting, please bring a piece of track on which to display your Steam Engine. It improves the appearance of the engine.

Good of the Order:

Steering Committee Meeting: The next Steering Committee will be a Zoom meeting on Thursday, August 19, at 7:00 p.m. Any member may attend any Steering Committee meeting. Contact Superintendent Matt Goodman for the Zoom meeting link, if interested.

Division 6 Membership Meeting: The next Division 6 meeting will be in person on Saturday, September 11, at Mark Maynard's in West Portsmouth.

Adjournment:

Matt adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m., after a motion to adjourn by Don Wilke.

The Clerk's Report
Continued on [page 4](#).

Continued: **Clerk's Report****Clinic:**

After a brief break, George Stringer presented a clinic on *Making Roads from Plastic Signs*. The clinic lasted just under one hour. We thank George for an interesting, well-organized, and well-presented clinic. Information on this clinic

and the link to the recording will be in the next *Super's Signal*.

Mike Wolf would love to talk with you about an idea or experience that you could present as a clinic at a future meeting.

Continued: **The Super's Report**

Mike Wolf hosting. If anyone would like to do a one-off like this or even start a regular model railroading "happy hour" via Zoom, let me or Membership Chair Rick Brown know. We can provide the training needed. Heck, I'll be the first to join a weekly sharing / social gathering!

Thanks guys!

Time to drop the fire!

Matt

August Contest Winners

Jim Ruisinger, Contest Chair



*1st Place Photo, Howdy Lamprecht, MMR®
(Copyright by Photographer)*



*1st Place Model, Howdy Lamprecht, MMR®
(Copyright by Don Wilke)*

Contest Report

Jim Ruisinger, Contest Chair

“Hybrid” Contest #8 August in Review

We are back to an in-person Division meeting in Groveport for August. However, we are continuing with the photo part of our contest virtually. That’s pretty much as we’ve been doing for the past 18 months. Our model contest took place “in the flesh” so to speak at our meeting in Groveport. Jim announced the top three vote recipients at our August 15th Division 6 meeting. We posted the results on the Division 6 Facebook Page and website.

Congratulations to our winners. We will have certificates for you at our September Division 6 Meeting. It will be a joint gathering with our friends in Division 9, down in West Portsmouth.

We traditionally haven’t held a ‘meeting’ in July. We still held a Virtual Photo Contest with **Bridges and Trestles** being the subject. The winners in that one were:

1st Place: Jim Oberst, *Scratch-built Trestle on his Jamestown RR*

2nd Place: Mike Wolf MMR®, *A pair of classic bridges with an angler trying to catch his lunch*

3rd Place: Butch Sage, *The high-line trestle on the late Doc Sage’s D&RGW layout*

Members will be able to submit their photos for our September Virtual Photo Contest to the contest chairman’s email starting September 1st. They must be in by 10 pm, Wednesday, September 9th. Voting will take place all day Thursday and Friday and end at 10 pm on Friday, Sept. 10th. We will announce the Photo winners along with the

August Hybrid Meeting

Virtual Photo: Caboose

1st Place: Howdy Lamprecht, MMR®, *Northern Pacific Wood Sided Caboose*

2nd Place: Jim Ruisinger, *Weyerhaeuser Timber Co., Wood Sided Caboose*

3rd Place: Ken McDonough, *PRR X-23 Cabin; Wartime Conversion from Outside Braced Box Car*

Model: Caboose

1st Place: Howdy Lamprecht, MMR®, *Northern Pacific Wood Sheathed Caboose*

2nd Place: Ken McDonough, *PRR N5B Cabin*

3rd Place: Dick Briggs, MMR®, *Junk-box Work Train Cabooseennessee Corn Line*

model contest winners at our combined Division 6 meet with the Division 9 folks in West Portsmouth on Saturday, September 11th.

As always, if you have any questions about our Division 6 Contests, feel free to direct any questions to:

Contest Chair, Jim Ruisinger.
(614) 440-8962 Jimbo2490@yahoo.com

Contest Point Summary August 2021

Jim Ruisinger, Contest Chair

Modeler 2020–2021

Steve Hurt	10	Jim Borcz	2
Howdy Lamprecht, MMR	9	Dick Briggs, MMR®	2
Pat Hreachmack	7	Harry Sage	2
Jerry Hurt	6	Dan Dennis	1
Jim Ruisinger	5	Bob Doerflein	1
Mike Wolf, MMR®	5	Alan Evens	1
Darrell Logan	4	Connie Frazze	1
Richard Matejovic	4	Matt Goodman	1
Peggy Doerflein	3	Bill Hanna	1
Ken McDonough	3	Bob Lee	1
Greg Short	3	Judy Logan	1

Photographer 2021

Howdy Lamprecht, MMR	14	Richard Matejovic	4
Bob Baker	13	Charles Scherer	4
Don Wilke	12	John Gafney	3
Jim Ruisinger	12	Dave Richter	3
Jim Oberst	11	Jerry Hurt	2
Harry Sage	10	Doug Kullman	2
Mike Wolf, MMR®	8	Ken McDonough	2
Matt Goodman	6	Jim Borcz	1
Steve Hurt	6	Darrell Logan	1
Dick Briggs, MMR®	6	Bruce Steinfurth	1
Bill Alarie	4	David White	1

Special Note: Please relay our desire that photos be on good quality photo paper stock and not just any old paper. Photo paper can be glossy or matte finish.

Photographs of the First Place winners are on page 4.

Division 6 – 2021 Time Table

Date	Event	Meeting	City
10 Jan	Zoom Virtual Meeting	Business Meeting: <i>Zoom</i> Clinic: <i>Building Structures</i> , Frank Bongiovanni Virtual Photo Contest: Open Freight Car WITH Load	Zoom Video Call
21 Feb	Zoom Virtual Meeting	Business Meeting: <i>Zoom</i> Clinic: <i>Building Interiors</i> , Pat Hreachmack Virtual Photo Contest: Non-Revenue–MOW Car	Zoom Video Call
14 Mar	Zoom Virtual Meeting	Business Meeting: <i>Zoom</i> Clinic: <i>Detailing a Steam Locomotive</i> , Mike Wolf, MMR Virtual Photo Contest: Non-Steam Locomotive	Zoom Video Call
11 Apr	Zoom Virtual Meeting	Business Meeting: <i>Zoom</i> Clinic: <i>Prairie Sentinels</i> , Rick Brown Virtual Photo Contest: Rail Road Owned Line-Side Structure	Zoom Video Call
15 Apr	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
16 May	Zoom Virtual Meeting	Business Meeting: <i>Zoom</i> Clinic: <i>Structure Mock-Ups</i> , Matt Goodman; <i>Using Mock-Ups in Layout Planning</i> , Ken McDonough Virtual Photo Contest: Railroad Signals	Zoom Video Call
20 May	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
20-23 May	MCR Convention	<i>The Northern Express</i> - Canceled	Erie, PA
19 Jun Saturday	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: Clinic: <i>The Great Flood of 1913 and its Impact on the PRR in Ohio</i> , Bill Brubach; <i>Model Sound</i> , JT Burke (Scale Sound Systems) & Scenery Extravaganza <i>Building Tunnels</i> , Darrell Logan; <i>Making Trees</i> , Darrell Logan; <i>Roads Using Grout</i> , Howdy Lamprecht, MMR; <i>Oak Leaf Hydrangea Trees</i> , Mike Wolf, MMR; <i>Hillsides of Trees</i> , Mike Wolf, MMR; <i>Track Detailing</i> , Matt Goodman Model Contest: Favorite Train Virtual Photo Contest: Favorite Train	Marion
23 Jun	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
11 July	Possible Virtual Contest	Virtual Photo Contest: Railroad Bridges & Trestles	
15 Aug (Change)	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: <i>SE Columbus Library</i> Clinic: <i>Making Roads Using Plastic Sign Material</i> , George Stringer Model Contest: Caboose(s) Virtual Photo Contest: Caboose(s)	Groveport
19 Aug	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
11 Sept Saturday	Division 6 Meeting	Business Meeting: <i>Mark Maynard's</i> Clinic: <i>None</i> Model Contest: Steam Locomotive Virtual Photo Contest: Steam Locomotive	West Portsmouth
16 Sept	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
10 Oct	Division 6 Meeting (TBD)	Business Meeting: <i>TBD</i> Clinic: <i>TBD</i> Virtual Photo Contest: Thumbz (Whimsical Railroad Items)	TBD
14 Oct	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
17 Oct	Division 6 Train Show		Cambridge
14 Nov	Division 6 Meeting (TBD)	Business Meeting: <i>TBD</i> Clinic: <i>TBD</i> Virtual Photo Contest: Closed Freight Car	TBD
18 Nov	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		
12 Dec	Division 6 Meeting (TBD)	Business Meeting: <i>TBD</i> Clinic: <i>TBD</i> Virtual Photo Contest: Passenger Car	TBD
16 Dec	<i>Super's Signal</i> Deadline		

Clinic Updates



Thanks to George Stringer for his clinic on *Making Streets From Plastic Sign Material*. Whether using old for sale signs, styrene sheets, or other plastics, George provided numerous tips, techniques, and materials for making realistic-looking streets and sidewalks. Missed the August meeting or would like to watch it again? You can find the video here:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/it4ezvb12uefu41/20210815-Stringer-Road-s.mp4?dl=0>

Also, George's clinic notes are on [page 8](#) elsewhere in this month's *Super's Signal*.

Since we'll be running trains at Mark's in September, there won't be any clinics at our joint meeting in West Portsmouth.

In October, I'll be discussing *Railroad Brake Systems* with plenty of info from the prototype. Also, I'll discuss how to improve the look of the underside of your models.

I'm in search of a clinic in November (and to be a backup in case I'm not available in October).

In December, we're going to supplement the tapes (or DVDs) and slide show with some mini-clinics by YOU! Are you currently working on a project? Take some photos of your progress and bring them to the December meeting. Just a quick 5-10 minutes on what you did, what you learned, or whatever you want to talk about on the project. Whether it's adding scenery to part of your layout, building a kit, weathering a car, super detailing a loco, installing a decoder, or adding an interior to a building. Whatever you want to show and tell (about). Put your photos in a couple of slides or bring the model along. The only rule is that YOU participate.

2022 presents numerous clinic opportunities for you to participate. Drop me a line at wvunion@gmail.com if you have an idea you'd like to present. It doesn't have to be an hour-long presentation. We can combine two or more mini-clinics. And clinics can count toward the Author or Volunteer AP. Check out the requirements for each to see which certificate your presentation qualifies.

Reminder Spam Button Misuse NMRA IT Department

It has come to the attention of the NMRA IT department that many NMRA members do not receive NMRA email publications (*Turntable*, *eBulletin*, *Dispatch*) because **other** members use the **Spam button**.

If the publication is not of interest, simply **delete** it. If you no longer want to receive any NMRA email publication, please use the **Unsubscribe link** (found at the bottom of the email), which is safe and secure. Never use the **Spam** or **Junk button**. If too many people do this, service providers such as Yahoo will block all people from ever seeing the emails. Most NMRA members want to keep in touch. Don't ruin it for them.

Please note that **Unsubscribe** will apply to all NMRA email publications, including the *Turntable*, *eBulletin*, *special eBulletins*, and *Dispatch*.

Note From the Signal Editor

The NMRA National and the Mid Central Region are not the only ones with this problem. Reports of missing emails from the Buckeye Division have been increasing lately. We have been trying to track down the problem. The only common problem was members who had an AOL account. I think the **Spam** or **Junk** button use is now the problem. According to the information from National, this not only affects your email account but other division members as well.

I'm not sure if this will work. If you have used the **Spam** or **Junk** button, go to the **Spam folder** or the **Junk folder** and move any NMRA, MCR, and Division 6 emails from those folders and then delete them. I know some service providers, like - but not limited to - Yahoo, run email filters. I'm guessing if enough people declare a group email as Spam or Junk they will not let it pass through their system. If we un-Spam and un-Junk enough group emails maybe they will change their filter. That will take time because they have to collect enough data.

Help your fellow members. Don't use the **Spam Button** or the **Junk Button**, just delete the group email you don't want. Or set up a folder called Delete Later and direct those group emails there.

Notes for Making Roads Using Plastic Sign Material

George Stringer

Introduction

My name is George Stringer, age 77. I've been fooling with Lionel trains since 1953. I built my first layout in 1970, 50 years ago.

Materials Needed

- Rust-oleum Light Grey Automotive Primer [2X Primer is plastic compatible - Editor], Spray Can or equivalent (Figure 1)
- Clear Caulk or non-silicone adhesive – to attach road to layout
- Black Rit Liquid Dye & water or India Ink & Alcohol – for basic weathering after paint
- Medium Grey Weathering Powder/Chalk for Tire Path Tracks
- Yellow & White 1/16" wide Automotive Pin Striping or Yellow & White
- Acrylic Paint applied with a small natural sponge & acetate stencil for stop bar, Rail Road Crossing
- Plastic Cement to glue sidewalk and shims
- Dull coat or Mat Media Spray
- For Sale/Rent Plastic Sign from Low's or Home Depot – larger the better



Figure 1

Some of the Materials

Tools Needed

- X-acto Knife
- Small Stiff Bristled Brush
- Tin Snips
- HO Scale Ruler
- Metal Straight Edge
- Atomizer Bottle
- Box Knife
- Pencil
- 320 or 400 Grit Sand Paper

Cement Road Base

1. The scale roadbed is expensive and not to your width and does not go where you want to go. Also no curves or curbs
36" Straight – \$3.00 + S&H
6 & 12 degree curve – \$4.00

2. Styrene from a hobby shop is expensive .020 12x48 – \$8.68 +S&H
3. Not all plastic signs are the same thickness. Get the thickest and largest one-sided sign. Note, printing on the sign will be seen through your paint.
4. Use a HO Scale Ruler or Google "Scale Model RR Calculator" to calculate the road width.
 - a. Most roads are 22-feet or 3.4" for HO-Scale with no sidewalk on either side. Curved or Straight.
 - b. Measure 30-feet or 4.13" for a 22 foot road with an 8 foot or 1.034" sidewalk for HO-Scale.
 - c. A 6" sidewalk would be 22 feet + 6 feet = 38 foot or 3.86" for HO- Scale.
 - d. Sidewalks are 6 or 8 feet wide for Business Districts and 4 feet or thinner for Residential areas.
5. Use a Box Knife & Straight Edge to cut the road to width for Straight Roads.
Use Tin Snips to cut Curved Roads.



Figure 2

Curved & Straight Road Base

Cement Road Details

1. Shim up thin signs for proper road edge gravel application.
2. Sidewalks and curbs.
 - a. Score, with the back of an X-acto Knife, Sidewalk joints 4 feet apart or .55" for HO-Scale.
 - b. Add cracks to the sidewalk.
 - c. Score the Curb the length of your strip with joints not matching the sidewalk joints.



Figure 3

Cracked Road with Side Grass

3. Cement roads have seams or expansion joints 20 feet or 2.75" apart. Note: Black Top roads do not have expansion joints.
4. Score the center strip for the center of road joint for both blacktop and cement roads.
5. Man Hole Detail: Use the existing mounting hole in the sign or add a hole. Tape & fill the hole with joint compound.
6. Paint the base Light Grey for Cement roads.
7. Blacktop Roads
 - a. Mask the sidewalk.
 - b. Paint the Blacktop roads Dark Grey.-
 - c. Remove the masking from the sidewalk and paint it Light Grey.
 - d. After the paint dries, use a fine tip black permanent marker to represent patch tar lines. Draw the tar lines randomly.

Weathering

1. Allow the paint to dry for at least one day.
2. Spray the road with Rit Dye & water and rub it into the cracks. Streak the Dye with your finger in direction of traffic. Allow the road to dry thoroughly.
3. Dry Brush dark grey or black chalk to represent tire track lines for both lanes. Dry Brush on both cement and blacktop roads.
4. Seal the road with dull coat or mat media and allow to dry thoroughly.

Road Lines

1. Make Road Lines with Paint or Tape. If using paint use a sponge and acetate stencil with yellow and/or white paint.
 - a. My lane lines are 1/16" wide.
 - b. White passing lines are 6 feet long or .83" HO inches and 10 feet apart or 1.4" HO inches
 - c. Double yellow no-passing lines are 1/16" wide and 1/16" apart.



*Figure 3
Bill Holding a Finished Road*

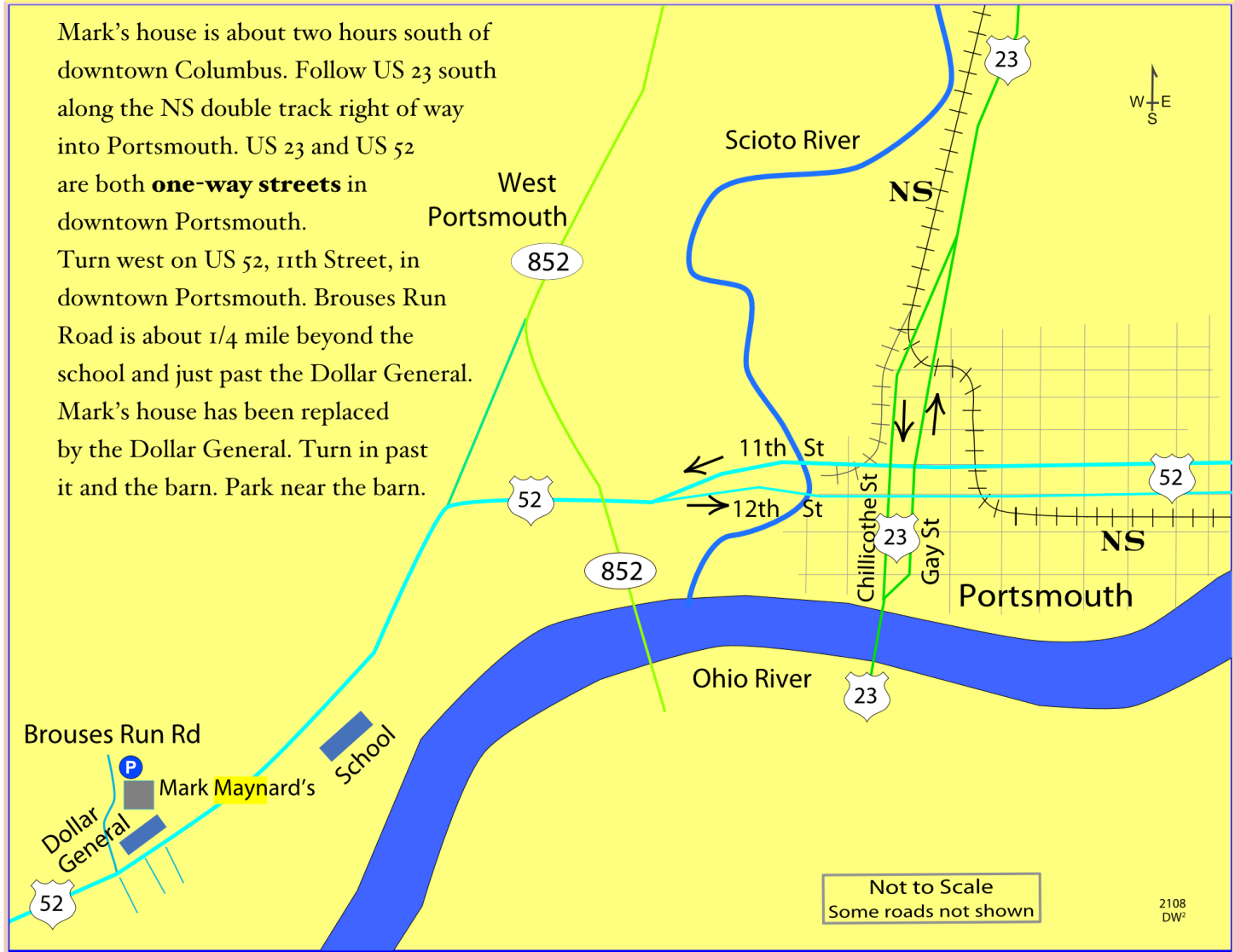
2. The stop sign white bar is 3/16" HO inches wide and covers the end of the right lane at a stop sign.
3. Rail Road Crossing signs on the road are best done with an acetate stencil and paint. Use a sponge to lightly apply the paint.
4. Sources for lines:
 - Decals CMR Products. Pin Striping in Yellow and White.
 - Jack, Vinyl Striping.com 1010 Morse Ave. Schaumburg, IL, 847-891-7811
5. After applying lines seal with Dull Coat. Tape is much easier than paint or decals.

Optional Detail Get Creative

- Culvert or Street Drain
- Manhole Covers
- Patched Areas
- Weeds and Trash
- Pot Holes



Mark Maynard's West Portsmouth



Division 6 Train Show

Greg Short, Train Show Chair

As many of you know we scheduled our Division 6 Train Show for this October 17. For this to be a success we need your help. If you would like to help please let me know. I will see that you are included in this great day. We will need folks to help set up, tear down, and do various other items during the day. We also need folks to help get the word out, passing out flyers at other events, or visiting hobby shops throughout the region to place flyers there. We are also in need of some folks that would like to help with future events by setting on the Train Show Committee. If this is something that perks your interest, contact me.

oc5855@hotmail.com

740-607-3223

*Don't Just Belong,
Participate!!*

Super's Signal

September 2021

Indy Junction 2022

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The RPM Conference has joined with the NCR, MWR, and MCR to bring to model railroaders INDY JUNCTION 2022 from May 18 to 22, 2022.

Some details of what that means for Indy Junction 2022 attendees

- The RPM Conference has a 27 year history in the Chicagoland area, and will be bringing the best features of those events to Indy. The group is looking forward to being back in person and celebrating the camaraderie of model railroading by sharing information and modeling techniques.
- The heart of RPM Conferences is presentations and there will be a full slate of 30+ presenters planned to run three to four at a time. This will be in addition to all the NMRA clinics. Attendees can attend all clinics on the same ticket.
- All convention participants will have access to all convention activities, with the single exception of the NMRA judged contests, which are open to NMRA members only.
- The RPM Conference will have an open model display room; a feature of all RPM events. In addition, the Modutrak display layout and other RPM Conference displays from RPM Chicagoland events will be present.
- The NMRA clinics will be primarily in the morning and most evenings with the afternoon available for layout visits and operating sessions.
- The RPM clinics will be morning, afternoon, and some evenings. Those attendees who do not wish to travel or operate can attend the afternoon RPM clinics.

- A Friends of the Freight Car dinner is planned as part of the RPM style activities. Dinner, with a feature presentation, is planned for this event.

That's some great news for all Indy Junction 2022 attendees. We've also revised the event logo to show the inclusion of the RPM Conference.

We'll contact you next by mid June. But don't forget to put Indy Junction 2022 on your calendar !

If you would like to receive the MailChimp email updates which are intended for Indy Junction attendees, you can sign up here - <https://www.indyjunction2022.org/>

One question that has started to come up, "When and where can I sign up for the INDY JUNCTION 2022 Convention". The answer is soon and on the website. The Registration Committee is hard at work getting registration ready for prime time. We promise as soon as it's available, we'll get that word out.

Meanwhile, encourage members of your region, division or group to sign up on the website to receive the latest INDY JUNCTION 2022 information. We bring the information to you !

Marketing Committee

INDY JUNCTION 2022 Convention

NCR MWR MCR NMRA and RPM Conference

Indianapolis Marriott East, May 18-22, 2022

<https://www.indyjunction2022.org/>

info.indyjunction2022@gmail.com



Share the Knowledge!!

Third Annual NMRA Division 6

Train Show

Cambridge Ohio

Sunday

October 17, 2021

10 am to 4 pm



Easy Access from I-70 and I-77

Pritchard Laughlin Center

7033 Glenn Hwy

Cambridge OH 43725



**OPERATING
MODEL TRAINS**

HANDICAP ACCESS

ALL SCALES

ACCESSORIES

SCENERY

HOBBY TOOLS & SUPPLIES

**Check out our website for a listing of local hobby shops offering
discounted admission coupons and for more information:**

<https://div6-mcr-nmra.org/trainshow.html>

Vendors Contact Greg - (740) 607-3223 - trainshow@div6-mcr-nmra.org



Marriott East, 7202 E 21st St
Indianapolis, IN 46219



Clinics
Layout Tours
Ops Sessions
Prototype Tours



Four Full Days
Three Regions
Two Day Train Show
One Convention
May 18-22, 2022



www.IndyJunction2022.org



RPM
CHICAGOLAND





April 20, 2021

Back in August of 2019, you remember when things were normal, and we began discussing a three region convention to take place in 2022, it seemed like a long way off and there was plenty of time to put together a great convention. Now Indy Junction 2022 is scheduled for May 18th to 22nd in Indianapolis and the clock is ticking.

The original idea for several regions to get together and put on a convention was because the NMRA National Convention was to be held in Birmingham, England in 2022 and it was reasoned that many would opt to attend a convention in the middle of the USA. What's more, instead of a week abroad, it would be 4 full days in Circle City (Indianapolis) at The Crossroads of America. As we all know now, Birmingham didn't work out but Indy Junction is going to take place and we'll be packing our bags to attend in just a few days over a year from now.

The Midwest Region, North Central Region, and the Mid Central Region have joined together to make it happen. And Indy Junction will be a suburban convention not a downtown convention. The Indianapolis Marriott East is easily accessible from I-465/I-70 with reasonable room rates and FREE parking. And the convention will take place in the spring - the most beautiful time of the year out on the edge of the prairie.

Layout tours will be during the day and they're ALL self-driving so you can spend as much time as YOU want at each stop. We are planning a two-day train show for Saturday and Sunday. But it won't be a flea market/buy/trade/sell event. You will not see the big name manufacturers who only bring displays to the show. Instead, we're looking at having smaller but well-known manufacturers who will sell direct to you as an attendee.

And of course there will be all the rest of the usual things - contests, non-rail, prototype tours, and other activities.

If you're going to go to just one convention in 2022, THIS is the ONE! Visit the Indy Junction 2022 website <https://www.indyjunction2022.org/> or follow us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/indyjunction2022> to stay up to date on the latest info for INDY JUNCTION 2022.

Four Full Days, Three Regions, Two-Day Train Show - ONE CONVENTION !

NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 11, 2021



Dates:	Wednesday May 18 to Sunday May 22, 2022
Sponsors:	Midwest, North Central and Mid Central Regions National Model Railroad Association
Event:	Indy Junction 2022 Convention
Location:	Indianapolis Marriott East 7202 East 21st St Indianapolis, IN 46219
Convention Fee:	\$ (not yet available)
Information:	Four Full Days, Three Regions, One Convention The Midwest, North Central, and Mid Central Regions of the NMRA will host this Tri-Regional convention in May 2022 Clinics, Layout Tours, Ops Sessions, Prototype Tours, Non-Rail Clinics and Activities and a Train Show Mark your calendar NOW FREE Parking and Much More !

For more information visit:

Website:	https://www.indyjunction2022.org/
Facebook:	https://www.facebook.com/indyjunction2022
Contact	info@indyjunction2022.org

Submitted by: Ron Ellison
Indy Junction 2022 Media Committee
PO Box 192
Buckner, KY 40010-0192

