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2014 Tallahassee Model Railroad Show & Sale

Set-Up – Friday, June 27th: set-up begins at 12 noon and runs to 7 pm.

Set-Up – Saturday, June 28th: I will be opening the fairgrounds and buildings #2 & #4 by 7 am. Members are welcome to come in and either complete their set-ups or to run their trains.

Train Show – Saturday, June 28th: the Show will run from 9 am to 4 pm.

Tear-Down – Saturday, June 28th: tear-down will commence at 4 pm and continue until the last vendor is gone.

Members get in free – There will be a sign-in book in the ticket booth. Please let the ticket sellers know you are a member. They will verify your membership and you will get in free. Or you can pay the \$6.00 entry fee. It's up to you.

Extension Cords – We will need extension cords as there will be 11 ceiling drops.

Name Badges If you need a name badge printed by me (John Sullenberger) let me know as soon as you can (at 562-5137 (home), 544-1870 (cell) or e-mail at sullyjws@aol.com).

Extension Cords for 11 Ceiling Drops

I need extension cords which are at least 25 feet long. Please bring the cord to the meeting if you cannot come to the fairgrounds for Friday's set-up. There will be masking tape and a magic marker for you to put your name on your cord. I will make every effort to get your cord back to you within a few weeks.

Our Next meeting is Tuesday, June 24th

Our next meeting is Tuesday, June 24th at the old Tallahassee Antique Car Museum. It will run from 7:30 to 10 pm. Our program will be our June 28th train show.

Please bring your T-Trak modules as we are going to set-up and run the modules. As I've stated in the past: a module is ready to run if the track is glued down. Scenery is optional. I would like the Divisions to set-up and run the layouts they plan on operating at the show.

It should be a good evening so please make every effort to attend.

*** Next Meeting ***

**June 24th
2014**

**at the
'old' Tallahassee Antique
Car Museum**

The 'old' Tallahassee Antique Car Museum is located at 3550 Mahan Drive just east of the intersection of Capital Circle and Mahan Drive (across from the McDonalds in the Wal-Mart parking lot).

The meeting will begin at **7:30 pm**.



Tallahassee Model Railroad Show & Sale Volunteers

We still need volunteers to be ticket sellers and arm band handlers in the air conditioned ticket booth located between buildings 2 and 4. The shifts will be one hour each so I need seven teams of two to three members.

I also need unloaders (Friday afternoon Saturday morning) and loaders (Saturday afternoon after 4 pm) to help vendors with their unloading and loading. Times on Friday are from 1 pm to around 6 pm and on Saturday from 7 am to 9 am and from 4 pm to around 6 pm. This helps both the vendors and the membership by keeping the large doors closed as much as possible thereby keeping the buildings cooler.

Please note: I do not expect members who are vendors to volunteer as a ticket taker or an unloader/loader.

Volunteer Coordinator

Thanks to John Meister for volunteering to be the Volunteer Coordinator for the show.

Tallahassee Model Railroad Show & Sale: Hot Dog Man

The "Hot Dog Man" will return with good things to eat.

Name Badges submitted by John Sullenberger

I can still create and print a badge for you if you need one. I'll need to know what type of locomotive (diesel, electric or steam) and what road-name you want. You can telephone me at 850-544-1870 or e-mail me at sullyjws@aol.com.

Nominating Committee

The 2014/2015 Nominating Committee has put forth the following slate for the July 2014 elections: President – John Sullenberger, Vice-President – Andy Zimmerman, Secretary – Doug Gyuricsko and Treasurer – Sandy Scott.

Thanks to David Brazell and Paul Schneider for volunteering for the Committee.

A question from Mitchell Green

From Mitchell Green: "Are there any BBMRA members who will paint model kits for other members?"

In a letter sent to me he stated that "he may have a couple of items I need re-painting. I am willing to reimburse the member for the paint and their time."

Mitchell can be reached at floridaflash55@Hotmail.com.

BBMRA meeting minutes for May 20, 2014

.President John Sullenberger called the meeting to order at 7:32 P.M.

He said the huge amount of boxes of magazines, and some items on the table were for the taking.

The boxes were stored in the rental unit, and need to be dealt with now.

Guest; Gordon, who was with Andy Millott.

A new member; Paul Johnson who is in 027, HO, and N scale.

April minutes; accepted as is.

Treasurer report; Sandy reports we are in the black.

Small scale report; Garth says we need a work party to repair the storage crate for "N" modules Saturday the 31st. There will be a Home Depot set up prior to the show.

HO; Art wants the HO group to meet with him at the end of this meeting.

Large scale; no report.

Veterans Memorial, John says the maintenance there is needed right now.

About the Show; John said the show is sold out. He will be at the fairgrounds at noon Friday or before, and until 7 P.M. He then will be back there Saturday morning at 6 A.M. to 4 P.M. of course closing up after the last vendor has left. We will again use the wrist bands for our members, however if you want to donate anyway, it's up to you! We need about 8 extension cords, David Brazell said he could lend us the 8 cords.

Again, any name badges needed, please let him (John S.) know, those are free!

Again, a request from Vice president Andy Z. did anyone find a check book?

Help needed at Bobby's layout, mountain work.

A question of "Who has ride on trains in Wakulla"?

President John Sullenberger brought up the issue of a storage travel trailer that was tabled in the previous meeting. Research was shown to discover a brand new enclosed, dual axle, swing down ramp gate (rear door). It can hold both N scale storage crates, along with room for many other modules and model railroad items. There would be no need to try and borrow two trailers like in the past, or making double trips to move our layouts. The costs would be just a little more than a used trailer, have a five year warranty, and new tires. The insurance issues were covered, storage would be at Garths, and Andy Z's. The motion to purchase passed unanimously.

John said we have elections coming up for officers, and we need a nominating committee, David Brazell and Paul Schneider.

John went on to ask for a show coordinator to organize people to help.

John Meister volunteered to take that position this year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 P.M.

Our program by Andy Millott was "realistic operations".

Andy has done a lot of study on how railroads operate, because he covered many industries, freight operations, types of cars used, tracks that are used to move freight in and out. Using his 2 foot by 9 foot shelf switching layout as the visual, he brought us to "Wolfbauer, Ohio. For me I like operations of layouts in any scale. This information can be used for any scale. Andy will have "the story" of the Wolfbauer yards and the railroad in the future. (for me, I need to find a way to see the numbers on my "N" scale freight cars. A new challenge). Thanks Andy for a good show.

I counted 38 railroaders, the session ended at 8:42 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Doug Gyuricsko.