



Seacoast Division NMRA Spring Event

Saturday, April 15, 2023

**James Foley Memorial Community Center
150 Wakefield Street
Rochester, New Hampshire 03867**

HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE

All NMRA members and people interested in becoming NMRA members are invited to the Spring Event of the Seacoast Division of the NMRA.

WE WILL BE IN PERSON AS WELL AS ON-LINE WITH ZOOM

The Seacoast division Spring 2023 Event will be held in person and also on-line with ZOOM in Conference Room 1 of the James Foley Memorial Community Center, 150 Wakefield Street, Rochester, New Hampshire starting at 10:00 am. There is ample parking available on-site.

Zoom is one of several video conferencing applications available for use on your computer that is connected to the internet. For several years, lap top computers have been equipped with a camera that faces the user, a microphone, and speakers. The computer with the camera/microphone /speaker combination lets the user take advantage of the full capability of Zoom. If you don't have a computer with the camera/microphone /speaker you can still use your computer to view the event and you can communicate with everyone using a phone. Finally, a smart-phone can also be used to participate in a Zoom video conference.

New users will have to go to zoom.us and then download "Zoom Client for Meetings" if you use a computer, or download the Zoom Mobile apps for iPhone or Android from the APP store. You will not have to register for an account. The host of the Zoom Meeting, in our case Seacoast President Tage Erickson, will send out an email with a meeting invitation which includes a link to the meeting. The non-host attendees will click on the link a few minutes prior to the meeting to get connected to the Zoom meeting. The host will then accept you into the meeting and you will be able to see all the attendees that have cameras and you will be able to hear all the attendees that have microphones or have called in on the telephone.

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THE AGENDA -

SCRATCH BUILDING A THROUGH-PLATE GIRDER BRIDGE

Need a bridge for your layout and want to try your hand at scratch-building? John McHugh shows how he built an HO scale 79 foot through-plate girder bridge to earn a Merit Award. The entire process will be explained and illustrated from researching the bridge, making a scale drawing, building the structure from start to weathering. John will explain how the Merit scoring process influenced his construction decisions. If you are contemplating starting the AP Structure Certificate, this a good model to build.

DOES YOUR LAYOUT TELL A STORY

Jim Gore believes that a majority of visitors to our layouts are not necessarily model railroaders, but rather people who want the layout to tell them a story about how and why the railroad exists. Therefore, it is important that people understand the purpose of our layouts. In this clinic, Jim will discuss some of that detail that tells the story to the visitor. You do not need to be the Franklin & South Manchester, but should not be the Plywood Central either. Finishing the back side of buildings and alleys, the purpose and placement of figures, as well as vehicles, all create an atmosphere that tells a story to the viewer and establishes the setting and why and where our railroads travel.

TEN YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE HO SCALE 1909 BOSTON & MAINE LAYOUT AT THE HERITAGE PARK RAILROAD MUSEUM

Rich Breton will cover the background and a brief history of this museum quality operating model railroad. The clinic will include layout design criteria, construction and materials used, and how the layout evolved over the past ten years. Also included will be modeling tips and techniques which can be applied to any model railroad project, whether large or small. The current status of the layout, future plans, needs and opportunities will be discussed. The layout will be open to visitors immediately after the conclusion of the Event, using "Train Controller", which permits five individual trains to be running simultaneously.

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LAYOUT TOURS -

HERITAGE PARK RAILROAD MUSEUM - 1909 B & M LAYOUT

See the 1909 B&M layout in operation.

Located in the Freight House at The Heritage Park Railroad Museum,
1 Chapel Street, Union , New Hampshire 03887

CHRIS OLIVER'S DONNER PASS HO LAYOUT

Check out progress on Chris's 3000 ft mainline multi-tiered layout

190 Dry Hill Road, Rochester, NH
(704) 778 - 5346 Directions available at Event

PLEASE PLAN TO BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH

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SEE YOU AT THE EVENT**