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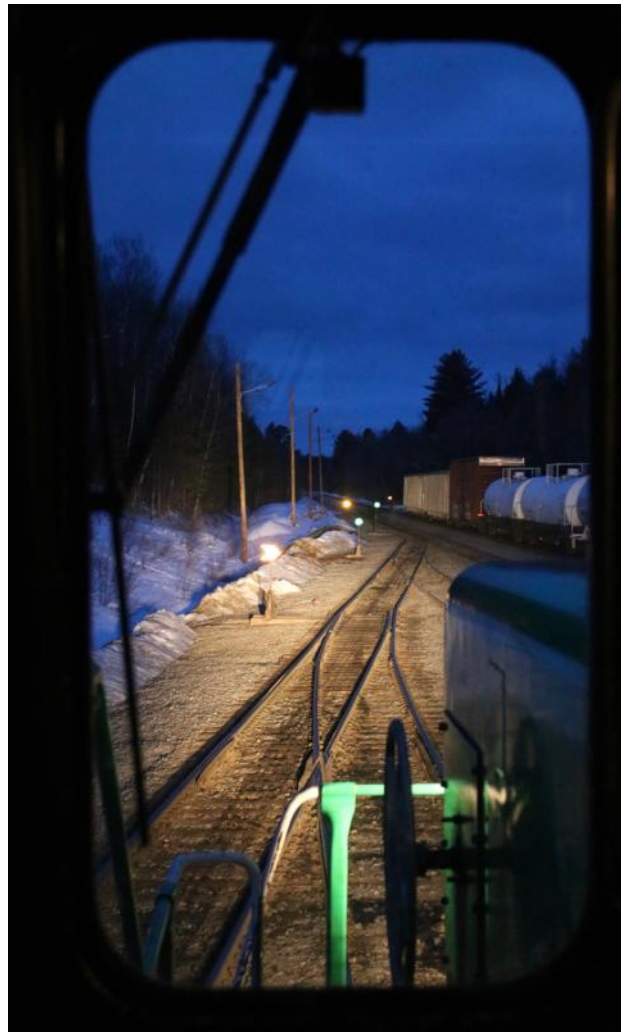
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Seacoast Division NMRA Spring Event
Saturday, April 7, 2018, 10:00am-2:00pm
Governor's Inn 78 Wakefield St., Rochester NH

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March 8, 2018
 Brownville Jct .ME
 on the New Brunswick Southern engine
 doing the last switch
 of the day. Photos by
 Harry Gordon. On
 page 4 Ties on the
 ground on the CM&Q
 in Brownville Jct.

On page 6 a sure sign
 of spring NBM
 unloading ties on Si-
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Enjoy a trip through the [Seacoast Division's Web Site](http://www.seacoastnmra.org).

The President's Lantern by Chip Faulter

Well, many people have already asked what it is like to be the “brass hat”, “the big boss”, “the grand poo-bah”, “the grand, high, exalted mystic ruler”, and the like. The answer is ... I don't feel any different than the day before I was elected the President of the Seacoast Division NMRA. I am one of you, a regular person and member in the division, who chose to volunteer to give back to the hobby that has afforded me so much pleasure over the last 50 years.

For those of you that don't know me, my name is Chip Faulter. I am a native of central New York State but have lived in Maine since 1981 (so yes, I am still “from away”). I have a very understanding and loving wife who is tolerant and supportive of my model railroading interests, and who also enjoys attending regional and national NMRA conventions with me. I enjoy all aspects of the hobby but am especially interested in model building, operations, collecting and historical research. My favorite railroad is the Pennsylvania (PRR), and my collecting and model building has focused on the PRR. I am a member of the PRR Technical and Historical Society national organization and the New England Chapter. However, so I would have a few friends in the hobby, I have allowed some MEC and B&M equipment to find their way on to the layout.

I have a modest layout that is (still) under construction with a port area expansion in process that features some of the identifiable buildings from the Portland waterfront. With construction of the layout spanning more than 30 years, it is literally a history of the technological evolution of the hobby over that time. My layout has been open to the public for the Maine Model Railroad Layout Tour and the 2016 Narrow Gauge Convention. I am also working towards becoming a Master Model Railroader. I have my Golden Spike and 2 Achievement Program certificates (Association Volunteer and Chief Dispatcher) with 4 more certificates in work at the moment.

I was a “lone wolf” for many years, going at it

alone and making all of the mistakes you have read about. I have been an NMRA member since 2002 and, looking back, there have been lots of benefits from joining the NMRA. I will discuss those in future messages. I have served the Seacoast Division NMRA as a director since 2012, with a 3 year stint also as division secretary and most recently your division Vice President. I am also the Northeastern Region Secretary. I am proud to be part of our Seacoast Division NMRA leadership team. These folks give their time to enhance your enjoyment of our hobby.

So, now, as your President, I am here to serve you to the best of my ability and improve our organization as our past presidents have done. If you have a question, comment, criticism or complaint, call or e-mail me. All of you have something to offer to the organization; please consider giving a presentation at one of our quarterly events, or volunteering as part of the division leadership team. I look forward to seeing you at the next event in Rochester, NH.

Chip Faulter



Seacoast Division Spring Event Meeting by Glenn Mitchell

Governor's Inn , 78 Wakefield ST, Rochester NH

roadster.

10 AM to 2PM

Meeting to be in the ballroom of the Inn

Clinics and Presentation Topics:

An Introduction to Model RR Automation Using a PC, DCC, & Sensors by Chris Oliver

Chris will provide a general overview of what is achievable as well as the basic methods for planning then adding software based computer automation to enhance any model railroad using DCC and occupancy sensors.

Improving Rolling Stock - Making Old Like New by Rich Breton

Rich will show how to evaluate used rolling stock, upgrade couplers, trucks, metal wheels, and weight to achieve good reliable performance. He will also describe how to add details and add wheel resistors for block occupancy detection.

How To Replicate A 1950s Full Size Railroad in HO Scale by Dwight A. Smith, MMR

Dwight designed and built his Northern Vermont as a generic layout with "Vermont Flavors" but no attempts were made to replicate specific sites or structures. Dwight will show what types of rolling stock and locomotives were commonly seen on the rails in Northern New England back in the 1950s. In addition he will describe structures, facilities, and industries necessary to support the railroad industry. Dwight will also show how the railroads met the traveling and commercial needs of the local population.

Track Cleaning Ideas by Dave Sias

Keeping the rails of your layout clean can be a problem. Over the past year or so, some of us in the Division have been turning to Dave Sias for advice with this issue. Dave has kindly agreed to share his knowledge and techniques that he uses on his own layout. This is a short presentation that will have plenty of good advice for every model rail-

Show and Tell and Ask: Everyone loves to see the modeling of our members. If you have something that you would like to show us, please bring it to the meeting and we will give you a few minutes to describe your efforts. If you have any modeling questions for the group, please bring those, as well. We have plenty of experts in attendance and we can certainly get you some answers to your questions.

For Sale!: There will be a table set up for any members that wish to buy/sell any surplus modeling items they may have. If you have any model railroad related items (loco's, rolling stock, buildings, etc.) that you don't need and wish to sell, you are encouraged to bring them to the meeting. Please put a tag on each item with your name and the asking price. Maybe one of your fellow members might be interested!

Layout Tours :

Chris Oliver's Southern Pacific thru Donner Pass - Chris models the Southern Pacific's route over the Donner Pass with over 3000 feet of track on multiple levels. The route is signaled and fully automated. We will see the progress that Chris has made since he opened his layout for the Seacoast division a year ago. Don't miss this opportunity to see an incredible layout. Directions to Chris' layout will be provided at the Event.

Heritage Park Railroad Museum's Boston and Maine - 1909 - Museum volunteers including several Seacoast Division members have created a historically based replica of the five villages of Wakefield as they existed in 1909. This includes Sanbornville which was the Northern Division headquarters of the Boston & Maine Railroad in 1909. The layout has recently been updated to run multiple trains automatically. In

Seacoast Spring Event by Glenn Mitchell

addition to the 1875 Freight House with the 1909 HO scale layout, the Museum now has a full size restored B&M water tower, restored 1911 passenger station housing a railroad museum, 1950's era B&M steel ca-boose, and restored 1902 Russell snowplow. The mu-seum is located at 282 Main St., Union NH.

Please take time to visit this layout on your way home from the Spring Event!

Coffee and sodas will be provided at the Spring Event for a donation to offset costs. Please bring your own lunch or snacks. There will be a 30 minute break for lunch and socializing. There is a café, The Garage (opens at 11:30) in the hotel and food establishments within close proximity to the meeting

There will be a drawing for door prizes, too!

A Board of Directors meeting will precede the pro-gram at 8:30 AM.

Come to the Spring Event and Share the Fun of Model Railroading!

Next Event: July 14, 2018 in Auburn, ME at the Great Falls Model Railroad Club. Mark your calendar and save the date!!



Heritage Park Railroad Museum Freight House By Bill Graver

The 2017 season included events resulting in an in-crease in the number of visitors to the Heritage Park Railroad Museum (HPRM) and a surprising number of volunteer hours. In addition, the 1909 era Boston & Maine model railroad expanded its historic inter-pretation of railroading in the greater Wakefield area.

Heritage Park Railroad Museum Model Railroad Work Crew

George Allen, Rochester; Rich Breton, Rochester; Jay Ehlen, Durham (New Member); Bill Gaver, Brookfield; Lee Gridley, Ossipee; Chris Oliver, Rochester; Joe Santoro, Wolfeboro; Bob Verdonck, Moultonborough; Ken White, Rochester; Bob Zeliff, Wolfeboro.

These members provided a total of 1352 volunteer hours during the 2017 calendar year.

Expansion/Improvements to Model Railroad

Weekly work sessions were devoted to expanding scenery dioramas, constructing, painting, and decal-ing freight cars, passenger cars, as well as steam loco-motives. Prepared model layout for visitor participa-tion. Upgraded the model railroad electrical compo-nents to permit train detection and installed the Frei-wald Software TrainController computerized automa-tion system to provide a control program for use dur-ing museum summer season weekends and special events throughout the year....thanks to the generous donations of three individuals. The automated pro-gram permits running multiple trains realistically de-picting station stops, trains passing each other on sid-ings, and having train whistle and bell signals reflect-ing the prototypical actions of the real railroads.

Not included in the summary of volunteer HPRM hours, were the hours members of the model railroad work crew worked at home constructing structures,

Heritage Park Railroad Museum Freight House By Bill Graver

rolling stock (freight and passenger cars), and other diorama details for placement on the 1909 era model railroad. **Special Events**

Three HPRM events of special interest included members of the Seacoast Division of the National Model Railroad Association attending an April 8, 2017 Open House, a July 30-31 weekend featuring the New Hampshire Garden Railway Society's traveling outdoors exhibit with live steam model locomotives pulling passenger and freight trains, and a special Open House on November 26 as part of the 22nd annual Tour de Chooch, a self-guided tour of 26 model railroads in southeastern New Hampshire and north shore Massachusetts. **Visitor Participation**

The 2017 summer season of the HPRM in addition to special events attracted some 867 visitors to the Freight House. Visitors were from the six New England states, Canada, New York, Pennsylvania, North & South Carolina, Florida, Virginia, England/UK, Washington, Idaho, Michigan, Arizona, Arkansas, Maryland, California, and Tennessee.

Goals for the 2018 Year

Increase awareness in the community and beyond of the Heritage Park Railroad Museum.

Clean/refinish Freight House floor.

Increase/improve table and wall historic displays.

Provide display cabinets for donated model railroad items and railroad memorabilia.

Expand/improve camera presentations located on model railroad layout.

Increase number of model railroad work crew members and docents.

Continue construction of structures featured in the 1909 landscape of the five villages of Wakefield.

Golden Spike Challenge by Tom Oxnard

You may have seen in the latest Coupler that the NER is having a Golden Spike Challenge. Bill Brown, our AP Chairman, will track the number of Golden Spike awards earned by each division, and prizes will be awarded to those individuals who participated from the winning division this year. Prizes will be from model train businesses in the NER.

For those of you who have been in the hobby of model railroading for a while you probably already have a layout complete with track, turnouts, engines and cars. Hopefully those trains are running well, and there may be more track to lay. There may be more scenes of towns and country with bridges, ravines and mountains.

Consider looking at the NMRA Achievement Program to guide you on your travels. It becomes an interesting way for you to keep track of your records, your progress and your accomplishments.

The Achievement Program starts with the Golden Spike Award. For many people you may have already met most of the requirements needed to achieve this award. It is an easy introduction to this enjoyable program.

Go to the NMRA website and click on the Achievement Program to bring up the Golden Spike: a list of 6 requirements in 3 categories. First you need to display 6 units of rolling stock. They need to show some effort to improve or modify their look straight out of the box by painting, decaling, detailing, or weathering.

Secondly, you must construct 8 square feet of layout. You already have this part completed, but you can also build a modular unit if you get into Free-mo.

Thirdly, construct 5 structures. These may be styrene commercial kits but they need to be improved with painting, detailing, and weathering. Or a craftsman kit. Bridges and trestles are also structures that count.

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Fourthly, you need 3 types of trackage as in turnouts and crossings and grade elevation. These have to be installed on proper roadbed that is raised and ballasted and shows good drainage. The trackage can all be commercial (you don't have to hand-lay anything) and the "types of trackage" do not have to be different.

Next all the trackage must be properly wired so that 2 trains can be operated simultaneously. This means blocks in DC or DCC, but also double track main or single track main with sidings where you can cut power.

Lastly you need one additional electrical feature such as a powered turnout, signaling, turnout indication, or lighted buildings. Yes the powered turnout is just a switch machine that runs off the Accessory terminal of the power pack.

And yes, it is that simple. An AP judge does need to come see your layout and make sure that all of the categories are complete and fill out the form, which then gets submitted to the NER AP manager. It is a fun process that can launch you on to more detailing and weathering, and even scratch building. Many of you have already done the work, and I will gladly come to your home in New Hampshire to see your layout. I'm sure Larry Cannon will do that too in Maine.

So let us get you a Golden Spike award and you could win some prizes.



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Lou Champagne (HO) Cape Porpoise & Western. 28
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Gregg McFarland (HO) B&M White Mountain Division,
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Rick Mills (HO) Cape Ann Rail System, 536 School
Street, Berwick 207-619-0855

Mike Pedersen (HO) Western Maine Railroad, 75
Madison Street North Berwick 207-676-2639

Central Area

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Road, Lewiston 207-786-3929

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207-882-8006

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783-2100

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Nautical Drive, Cumberland Foreside 207-776-2033

Great Falls Model Railroad Club (Many) 144 Mill
Street, Auburn 207-933-2477

Norm Poulin d.b.a. Norm's O-Scale Moose River Valley
Railroad, 41 Roosevelt Trail, South Casco

Note: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm 207-655-2550



Seacoast Winter Event Report

By Tage Erickson

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729-3072

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ern Road, Warren 207-273-0185

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Eastern Maine Model Railroad Club (HO) Katahdin
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Vick Fuller (G) 30 Joe Avenue, Winslow 207-873-
3045

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Baymeath Road, Bar Harbor 207-288-2921

Brandon Kulik (HO) Northern Terminal Railroad, 140
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In spite of the extremely cold weather and just 2 days removed from the winter storm labeled the “Bomb Cyclone”, our Winter Event began promptly at 10:00 AM with opening remarks from Tage Erickson. Many thanks go out to the 30 members who made the effort and came out to attend the Event. We had no new members or guests in attendance.

The first presentation was from Chuck Hastings of the Southern Maine Model Railroad Club. Chuck provided a presentation that brought us up to date on the Club’s modular layout progress. The SMMRC’s modular layout is now in full operation and available for display at train shows and other events. Chuck’s slide presentation included pictures of the completed layout and a discussion of many of the issues that they had to deal with during the past year while the module construction was in progress. It is very obvious that they have made tremendous progress since their presentation to us, at the Winter Event of 2017, one year ago.

The next event of the morning was the Division’s Annual Meeting, conducted by our Division President, Erich Whitney. Erich outlined his annual report which documented all the success with major activities that the Division had participated in, during the past year. We had another extremely active year in the Division, thanks to the efforts of all the members.

The Annual Meeting included a vote on the acceptance of the annual reports from the various committees, and then the election of 3 directors for another 3 year term. Chip Faulter, Ralph Brown, and Glenn Mitchell were reelected by the members, to continue their service as Directors of the Seacoast Division. Congratulations to all three of these Directors and a

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hearty “THANKS!” for all your service and dedication to our Division and our wonderful hobby.

During the annual meeting, an issue was brought up with regard to attracting younger members to join the NMRA and the Seacoast Division. Chuck Hastings suggested that we form a committee to look into different ways that we could possibly use to accomplish this goal. One suggestion that was offered was to work with local museums, including tourist railroads, to help connect with potentially younger members. This is an issue that is extremely important as our Division progresses into the future. None of us are getting any younger! The final presenter of the morning was our very own MMR, Tom Oxnard. Tom gave us a wonderful presentation on Backdrops. He discussed materials, paint, brushes, perspective, and many techniques that can be used, that allow backdrops to give a model railroad depth, perspective and realism. Tom used several examples on his own layout, to make his points and show us his methods. Following his presentation, Tom had backdrop materials available for any member that wanted to practice his techniques during the lunch break. Thank you very much, Tom! Well done!

During the lunch break, the members were able to visit the “For Sale” tables. Since we have added this feature to our meetings, the amount of tables that we need to display items has increased from one table to three tables. There were a lot of great items for sale! These items always generate a lot of discussion among the members. Please think about taking advantage of this opportunity at our next Event.

Following the lunch break, Bob Bennett discussed several new buildings and flats he had recently constructed that lend realism to his layout, up against his own backdrops. These buildings included a fau covered bridge, a grammar school based on the building

in Weeks Mills, a bunk house structure, a general store that had been kit-bashed from from a gas station, and a “tell tale.” These buildings were on display for the entire meeting. The detail on each building was amazing. Of particular note was the technique Bob used to give depth to the fau covered bridge flat that he built. It was incredible how you could look through this bridge and “see though it” when the bridge front was only about 1 inch in depth, as it was placed against the back drop. Excellent work, Bob!

The final presentation of the day was by Dr. George Carhart. George’s presentation was highly informative. He went through the Portland, Maine rail network as it evolved from the 1800’s through the early to mid 1900’s, showing us blueprints and photos of the rail yards and surrounding structures. He also described the physical changes that have occurred in the City of Portland as a result of railroad construction and abandonment. If you are modeling the Portland, Maine area, this presentation is for you!

With time running out, the Show & Tell & Ask portion of the event was not done. The event was adjourned at around 2:00 PM so the members could visit Rob Selberg’s layout, on the way home.

Good Fences Make Good Neighbors by Tom Oxnard

This wonderful poem by Robert Frost applies to railroad layouts as well. There is a large variety of boundary fences that you can build that enhance your scenery. Fences help define a business or property, and separate scenes. They were used extensively at the backs of buildings to protect them from the railroads. They are very helpful in adding detail to a scene and creating a transition to a backdrop. They are good for piling up materials or collecting junk at the edge of a business. They are important at the sides of roads and above cliffs and drop-offs.

Central Valley makes HO Fencing (#1601) that includes picket fences, welded 3 pipe railings and stair railings, 3 board fences and wooden vertical board fences (that can be plastered with posters). Bar Mills makes laser cut vertical board "Insta-Fence". They also make a laser cut post and rail support fence that



can be used with their corrugated paper that you paint to look like corrugated metal.

There are many fences that you can scratch build easily. Probably the simplest is a post fence made from 3/16" dowels. First I paint the dowel with wood stain or white paint. I mark the hole spacing after the scenery is in place, and then drill a hole or simply punch a hole with an awl. With glue on the tip, I push in the uncut dowel, and then with sharp rail nippers I cut it to length. Continue this down the line for several inches. Very simple.

Onto some of my wooden posts I glue 2x8" or 2x10" stained boards after the posts are in place. On others I string 28 gauge wire that I wrap around each post for the whole length of the fence.

I have made pasture wire fences for my horses and cows from appropriately thin Christmas tree boughs. I plant these in the layout in the same manner. When the glue is dry and the posts are set, I take the Berkshire



Junction EZ Line and string it or wrap it at each post, held in place with AC glue.

Another easy fence is the stone wall. Collect your favorite small stones from your driveway. It will be the easiest stone wall you have ever built. Be careful of size as a 1/8" stone is a 1 foot stone in HO.

What I see most around businesses and industries and railroads is chain link fence. This is perfect for hiding some things, and being able to see through it at other times. A couple of decades ago I purchased a metal chain link fence kit, and later some styrene chain link fence from Walthers. As I wanted to put it in more places I found it easier to scratch build. I use brass wire (.022- .028" = 2 to 2 1/2"), paint it a dull gray, and cut the posts to 6 1/2 feet. I glue those in holes with Walthers Goo. I then glue the top long rail onto the posts with Goo, and may leave it "rust" color or paint it gray. At the ends of fences you can place a diagonal pipe. The chain link is veil fabric cut 6 feet tall with an Xacto knife or scissors. Glue this on with Tacky Glue.

Good Fences Make Good Neighbors by Tom Oxnard

There are certainly imperfections but these are common with chain link fences as it sags or comes loose.



So stay friendly with your neighbors with good fences. I am sure you can think of other varieties to make.

First Day on the Job by Dave Sias



First time operator and new NMRA member Butch Taggart arrives in Ashland with the Milk Train and prepares to pick up a Brookside Milk car destined for Boston.

: On the train schedule, the stop in Plymouth includes taking on water at the Plymouth standpipe. Butch spots the tender right under the spout for the brakeman to fill the tank .



Earlier in the day, Butch was the engineer on the local passenger train, The Kearsarge, here departing from Woodsville, NH and heading south to Plymouth, NH.



As the Kearsarge departs Plymouth, passengers are arriving at the station for the Alouette which will take them far to the North into Canada and eventually Montreal.

First Day on the Job by Dave Sias



In Ashland, Butch holds the main with the Kearsarge as the local Concord-to- Lincoln freight CO-1 pulls into the siding. CO-1 will do some switching in Ashland and the Kearsarge will be on its way south to the Weirs and Lakeport.



Leaving Ashland and heading south the train passes bye Little Red Riding Hood as she walks unknowingly towards Grandma's house. No one knows what really happened there



At about the same time the Kearsarge is holding in Ashland, Lou Champagne is arriving in Woodsville with the Pompy, a local freight pulled by an RS-3. Yardmaster Tony Keegan will work the cars Lou drops off at the Woodsville Yard.



The Kearsarge's stop at the Weirs is brief but provides some interesting characters to watch on the boardwalk and the street. But, it's time to go and Butch pulls out of the Weirs station on time

First Day on the Job by Dave Sias



The next stop will be Lakeport and Lakeport Switcher engineer Perry Smith is preparing to clear the main for the Kearsarge to arrive. The switcher is shoving a cut of cars into the Irwin Boatyard siding.



As the train passes Old Farm Road, farmer Hiram Haystack continues his discussion with his goat about who is going to put who" back in the pasture



Butch is still on time with the Kearsarge and pulls out of Lakeport right on schedule, much to the dismay of Mr. Bluster who is always late for his train. He's missed it again!



On Butch's first run of the day with the Milk Train, he made it to Concord in record time. Concord Assistant Yardmaster Richard Parshley (of the Klickety Klack Model Railroad) is exclaiming "You made it from Woodsville how fast!"

First Day on the Job by Dave Sias



Now, later in the day with the Kearsarge train and no need to rush to get the milk cars to the Hood plant, Butch eases his train into the Concord train shed slowly



The passengers depart on their various ways for the day, some in more of a hurry than others



Concord Yardmaster Nelson Kennedy watches the smooth arrival of the Kearsarge with admiration and wishes he could run a train as well as Butch.



With still some miles to go before reaching Boston, the Kearsarge departs Concord with the steady hand of Butch Taggart on the throttle. There will be a few more station stops, but the train will arrive safely at North Station. Nice job Butch!

Images for another year By Harry Gordon



Images that we hope not to see until next year. Northern Maine Junction on 2/7/18 awaiting the storm and CMQ train on the way to Searsport around Prospect and Lanes pit the same day. Photo's by Harry Gordon



AP Report by Tom Oxnard MMR NH

Larry Cannon MMR ME

Glenn Mitchell has earned his Chief Dispatcher AP Certificate

John McHugh has earned his Electrical Engineering AP Certificate ate.

. There is a challenge to all divisions of the region for Golden Spikes so come on all you people let's make the Seacoast an active division.

New Members Welcomed

No new members reported this time . Do you have a friend that would benefit from being a member? Even one new member can make a difference .



CMQ on the way to Searsport . Photo by Harry Gordon

Timetable

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| April 7 | Seacoast Spring Event | Rochester NH |
| April 7 | Great Northern Train Show | Dover NH |
| April 8 | Downeast con model show | Saco ME |
| April 13 | Derry Fun Night | Derry NH |
| April 15 | Dartmouth / Lake Sunapee model RR Show | North Sutton NH |
| April 22 | Hooksett Lions Club Show | Hooksett NH |
| April 28 | Great Falls Model RR Club Show | Topsham ME |
| May 5 | Contocook Riverway ASSOC Train Show | Contocook NH |
| May 5 | Opening Wiscasset Narrow Gauge | Alna ME |
| May 5 | Opening Maine Narrow Gauge Museum | Portland ME |
| May 11 | Derry Fun Night | Derry NH |
| May 19 | Surplus Inventory Sale Great Falls RR club | Auburn ME |
| June 8 | Derry Fun Night | Derry NH |
| July 14 | Seacoast Summer Event GFMRRRC | Auburn me |
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