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A Members-Only Exclusive Clinic from Model Railroader Video Plus



[The Garden Variety Railroad Show](#)

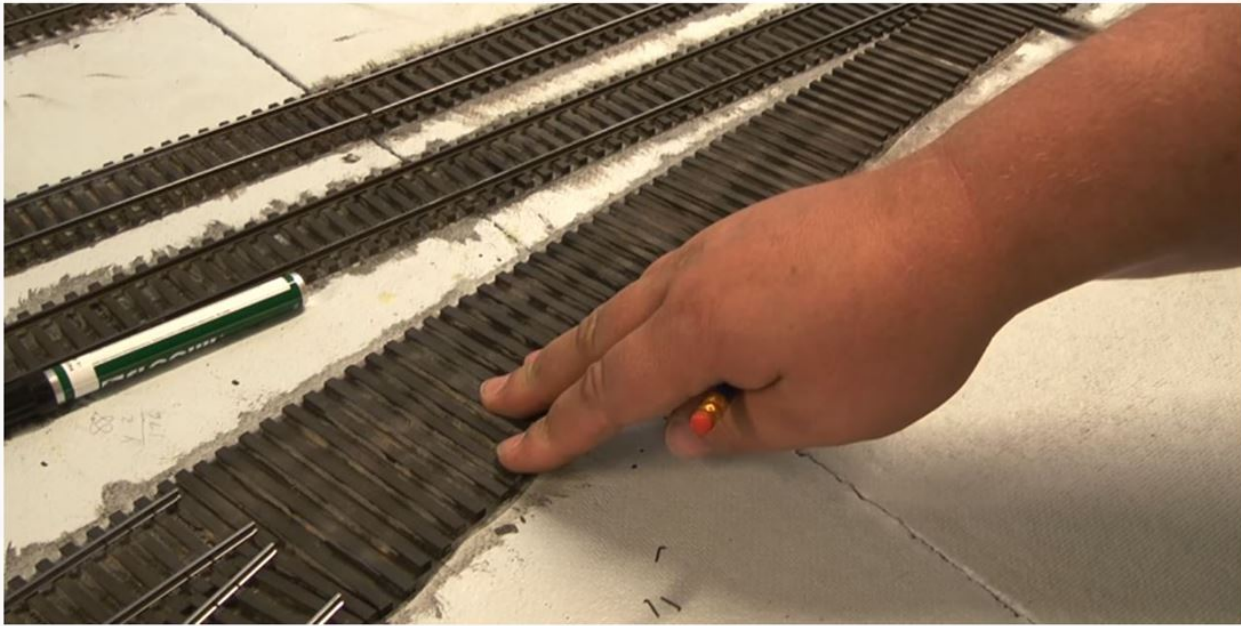
As previously highlighted in MRVP's Rehab My Railroad: Outdoors episodes, the task of restoring and maintaining Kent Johnson's small garden railway (1:29 scale) seems to be a year-round, all-season effort. While work on his main line continues in this new series, Kent, Rene Schweitzer, Cody Grivno, and others will also introduce you to topics, techniques, tools, projects, and new locations that exemplify just how intriguing the world of large-scale model railroading can be. Enjoy this first FREE look at an insightful series playing exclusively on MRVideoPlus.com!



Central of New Jersey Layout at Warley 2019

[Central of New Jersey Layout at Warley 2019](#)

A collection of videos and some still photos of this fabulous Central of New Jersey train layout that was shown at this year's Warley Train Exhibition that is held every year at the National Exhibition Centre near the airport in Birmingham, England.



Hand Laying an O Scale #8 Turnout Part 4

[Hand Laying an O Scale #8 Turnout](#)

In this part of the series the presenter shows how to position the first stock rail as well as the associated guard rail. In part 5 you will see the frog positioned and wired as well as more rail work on the #8....stay tuned and I hope you enjoy the video.



Micro Train Layout in a Coffee Table

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This is the third video that Peter has made on the construction of this table, and the train layout within it, but this is a closer look at how it works with an emphasis on the N scale Layout.

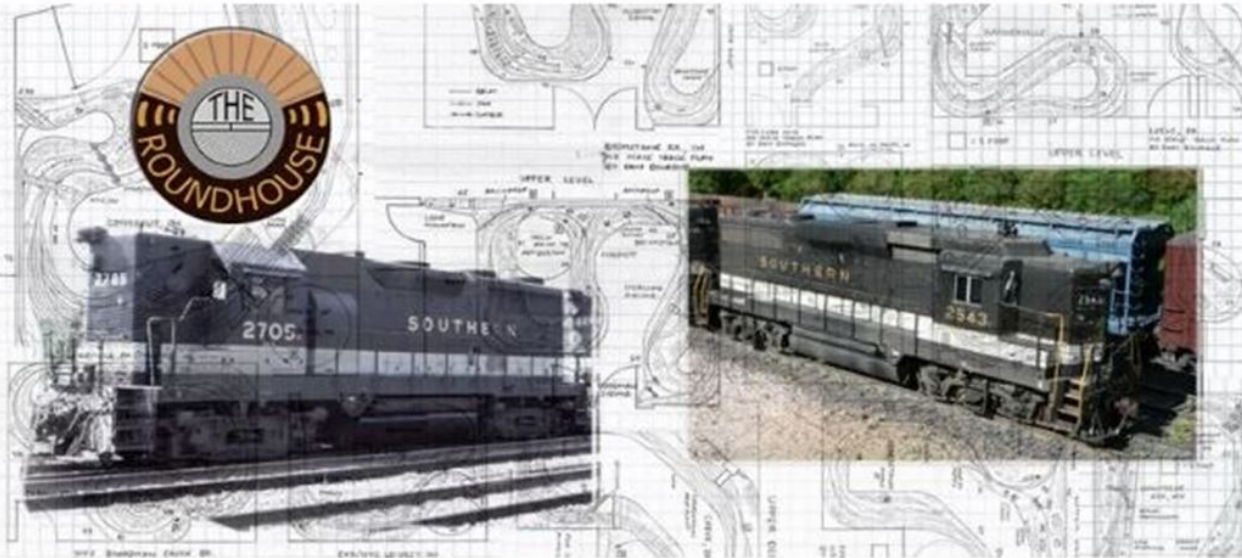
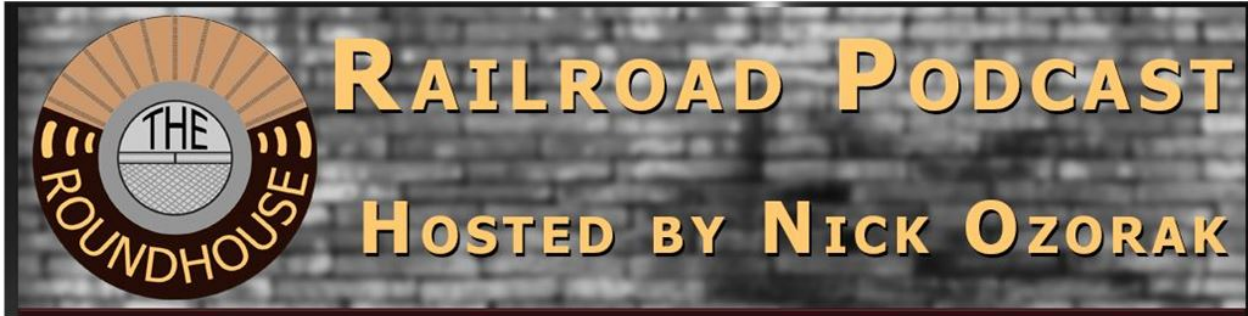


Abandoned Railways - Saluda Grade

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Delay-in-Block Productions' first episode of *Abandoned Railways* features the world-famous Saluda Grade. Spanning 2.7 miles from the bottom of the grade at Melrose to the crest at Pace's Crossing in downtown Saluda, the "Mountain of Challenge" averages an estimated gradient of 4.7%, peaking at 5.1% while gaining an elevation of 606 feet. With the grade railbanked since 2001, the City of Saluda hasn't seen rail traffic in nearly twenty years - but the residents of this great community still remember the trains. What was once a bustling mainline railroad between Asheville, North Carolina and Spartanburg, South Carolina, is now a lonely, idle stretch of mountainous railroad. Covered in kudzu with multiple track washouts, Saluda Grade is slowly being reclaimed by Mother Nature.

Podcast Interviews



Designing a Model Railroad with Dan Bourque Episode 088

[Designing a Model Railroad Ep 088](#)

Are you planning your basement railroad empire? Curious on how an expert compresses entire railroad locations and operations into a small space? Dan Bourque has designed hundreds of train layouts over the past 20 years, and these can be seen on his Appalachian Railroad Modeling website, <https://appalachianrailroadmodeling.com/> Dan shares his step-by-step approach to finding the ideal method of compressing real railroad mainlines and branches into true model railroading.

Best of the Rest



Handlaying Track—Spiking

[Hand Laying Track - Spiking](#)

This video shows how Michael lays model railroad track. There are easier ways to do this, but he enjoys this part of the hobby.



The Last Steam Railway—The Day Stan Left

[The Day Stan Left](#)

In 1971 the presenter found the last steam railway working for industry in Britain and he made a film about the crew who worked on it. The railway served Yates Duxbury and Sons Paper Mill in a village called Heap Bridge just north of Manchester. This is a small industry that could be easily modeled. Included in the video are maps showing where the railway ran.



Making a Winter Layout

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Making a small winter layout for a H0e narrow gauge railway in 1:87 scale. A simple circular track plan with a few sidings and a minimalistic landscape. A family project - and it all fits under the coffee table.



Steam Locomotive Weathering

[Steam Locomotive Weathering](#)

The presenter shows us how he paints and weathers a Bachmann 3F 'Jinty' in 'Worked but Clean' condition. Please, when using/spraying an airbrush, make sure you wear suitable protective clothing (face masks/gas masks) and always spray in a well ventilated space!



National Garden Railway Show 2019

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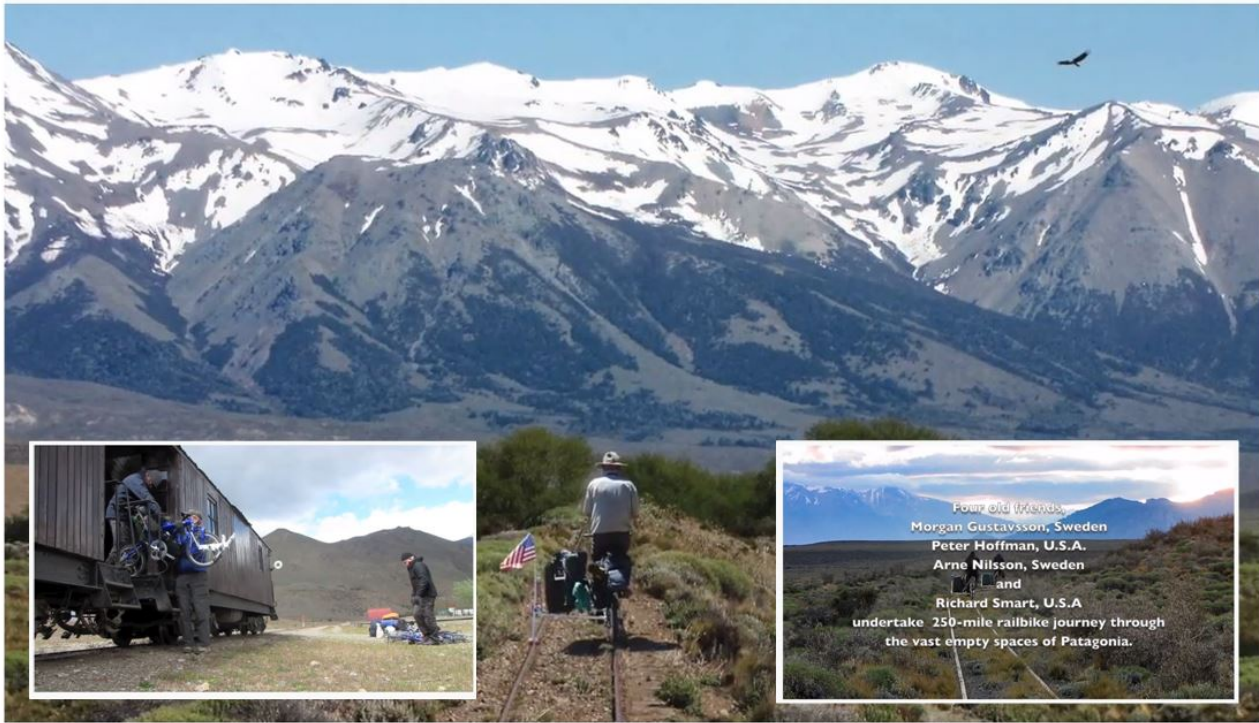
During some quieter moments at the National Garden Railway Show 2019 the Brock Rail cameras had a brief look around at some of the exhibits.



Black Hills Central 2-6-6-2T #110

[Black Hills Central 2-6-6-2T #110](#)

Black Hills Central Railroad #110, a 2-6-6-2T, Mallet type steam locomotive puts on a fine show of smoke and steam as it travels through the hills of South Dakota. This rail line has some of the steepest grades in the United States at up to 6%. The #110 was originally built as a logging locomotive in 1928 for the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company. It spent most of it's time in the woods of Washington state.



Rail-Biking in Patagonia

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Four retired gentlemen undertake a difficult, once in a lifetime railbiking adventure across the vast open spaces of Patagonia. Fighting ferocious winds, camping at abandoned stations and interacting with the friendly locals, all the while enjoying the La Trochita experience as no one has before. Full story: www.latrochita.homestead.com Correct gauge is 2' 9.5", not 29.5". Correct spelling is Gaucho, not Goucho.

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Building a Better Bug

Featured in the Division Business Car Column appearing in the December, 2019 issue of NMRA Magazine.

Learn how you can kitbash a Bachmann HO Scale Doodle Bug into a more compact version and install a Tsunami 2 DCC sound decoder, too!

Sante Fe Railroad

Featured in the Division Business Car Column appearing in the December, 2019 issue of the NMRA Magazine

Take a virtual tour of Rick Stern's HO scale Santa Fe Railroad. Rick is modeling the Southern California area on his layout in the steam to diesel transition era.



TOWARDS PAPERLESS

Going Paperless

Featured in the Division Business Car Column appearing in the December, 2019 issue of NMRA Magazine.



OPERATIONS

Read about a way you can eliminate most of the paperwork from your operating sessions.

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