

# ALL ABOARD

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May 2017

It seems like such a long time since last issue. In fact it has been over a month since last issue. But what a month it has been indeed. We attended the New Braunfels 28th Annual Train Show and Jamboree on the 8th and 9th. The show seemed well attended and we actually had two layouts running simultaneously. We made good use of our new wide radius curve modules in one layout. They seemed to work great and we ran some passenger trains and long length cars with out any problems. The super elevation on the curves could also be observed from the right viewpoint. The sales table also seemed to do a brisk business. All in all, a good show.

On April 22nd we setup at the Amtrak Station next to Sunset Station for this years Rail Fiesta. This event was formerly known as National Train Day. Amtrak dropped support for the program, so it was moved back to April and made part of the Fiesta programming. We set up a small layout in the station and awaited the throngs of people. However as is usual for Fiesta activities the weather did not favor the event. Cool temperatures and blustery winds combined to keep participation low. We did begin to have some people come by later in the day. The event was well attended with members so assembly and teardown went well. We still need to work on logistics of pickup and drop off at the storage however.

Our May meeting will be at the Bulverde/Spring Branch Library in Bulverde. For those of you who have not traveled to Bulverde, it is located just south of Chicago, Illinois or so it seems. Actually its north of town off 281. This event should far exceed our last setup we had in November. This time it was advertised more widely and for a much longer period of time. The Library will have programs setup for the children and this should be a great opportunity for us to shine in the public eye. We will also be doing demos on scenery, tree making, track work and such. We were supposed to have our meeting also but this may or may not occur due to scheduling. We can begin setup at 10:00 am and should be out by 4:30 pm. Eric should be there with most of the modules and I will bring the two large radius corners. Ya'll come now, ya hear.

Our next train show will be the 35th Annual Temple Model Train Show September 16th and 17th. We will be participating as part of a larger layout with AustNTrak (Austin) and Northwest Crossing (Houston). I am show coordinator for this show.

In other news, the search continues for a new clubhouse and Frank is doggedly pursuing leads.

Bob Williams  
Stationmaster



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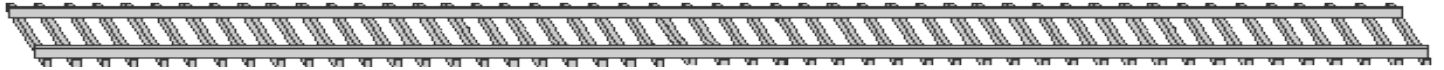
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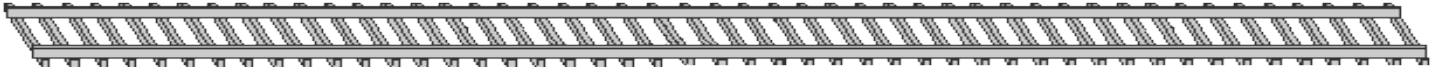




# May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Meeting at Bulverde/Spring Branch Library
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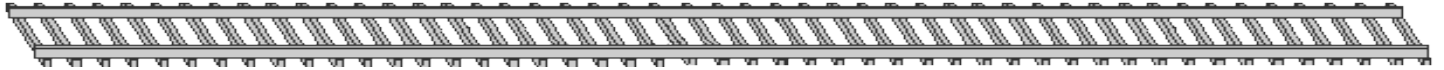




# June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Meeting at Hobbytown USA @ 10:30
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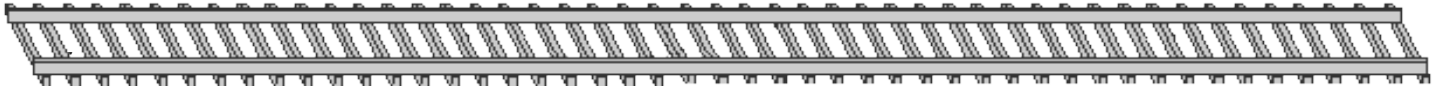
**CHANGES IN CONTACT  
INFORMATION**

If you change an address, e-mail, phone #, etc., please let us know.

**If you don't tell us, we don't know!**

This space available for general ads for members in good standing or whatever.  
Please note this is to see if you really read the newsletter. We have not approved any  
of this, its just an idea.





**SANTRAK Business Meeting Agenda**  
**10:30 am**

**May 10, 2017**  
**Bulverde/Spring Branch Library**

Agenda for Next Meeting

Standing Business

1. Minutes of April Meeting
2. Financial Report –
3. Membership Report
4. Train Show Participation
  - Sep 16th and 17th 35th Annual Temple Train Show
  - Oct 28th and 29th 2017 NBRRM 8th Annual Fall Train Show
5. Clinics and such
  - Eric will give a clinic on JMRI in June
6. Raffle Layout – The raffle layout design will be worked on this year for work And completion for sales to begin in early 2018. We will go with a 3x5 one piece layout concept.

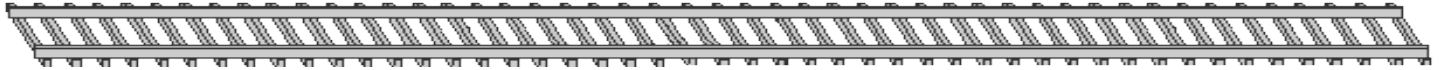
Old Business

1. Clubhouse Search – Frank – Ongoing. Latest update on possible clubhouse locations Realtor contact and Prologis
2. N Trak layout at Frank’s is operational and awaiting trains

New Business

1. N scale layout at the National Train show in Orlando Florida Aug 4-6.
2. 2.Temple Show September 16th and 17th. Bob W. will coordinate.





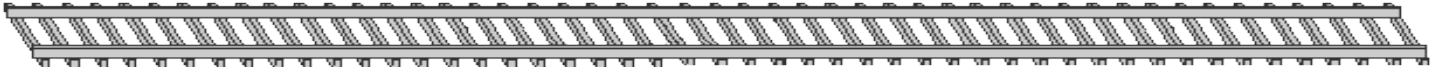
**SANTRAK General Membership Meeting Minutes April 1, 2017**

1. Meeting called to order at 10:34 am by Ray.
2. Members present: Bob W, Mark, Bob A., Tom, Pam, Eric, Bill, Kevin, Frank, Gary, Susan, Ray, and Jim C.
3. Minutes were accepted as written.
4. Financial report was read by Bill.
5. Membership report shows 25 members, 16 Full, 9 student/associate. 9 for quorum. This will be adjusted as dues are accessed
6. Train Shows
  - 6.1 Next show will be April 8th and 9th. NBRRM 28th Annual Train Show Jamboree'
  - 6.2 April Train Fiesta April 22nd at Amtrak Station,
  - 6.3 Train layout setup at Bulverde/Spring Branch Library on May 13th
7. Clinics
  - 7.1 June 10th. Eric will give clinic on JMRI.
8. Raffle layout 2017/2018
  - 8.1 Raffle will be more traditional layout with work this year for sales to start early 2018. Format will be about 3' by 5'.
9. OLD BUSINESS
  - 9.1 Clubhouse search. On going. Frank has news on possible clubhouse locations.
  - 9.2 Venues for layout setups. Bulverde/Spring Branch Library in May.
  - 9.3 Track work complete at Franks house for NTrak. Layout operational
10. NEW BUSINESS
  - 10.1 N scale layout at National Train show August 4-6.
  - 10.2 Temple Train Show, September 16th and 17th. Bob W. will coordinate.

Meeting adjourned at 11:18 am

B Williams  
Stationmaster





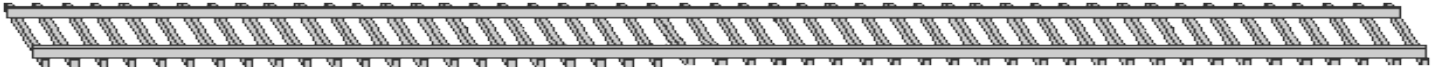
**Superintendent's Page**

From the Superintendent's Desk:

Due to heavy work load, family obligations and travel conflicts, the Superintendent was unable to finish the report for this month. However we are looking forward to next months report which promises to be a real humdinger.

If you have any questions please feel free to Email me or call me in the evenings ([210-884-6863](tel:210-884-6863))





**REGIONAL TRAIN SHOW SCHEDULE 2017**

April 8th and 9th, 2017  
NBRRM 28th Annual Train Show and Jamboree  
New Braunfels Civic Center

