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We begin this month with a review of last months mini display and information session at the Bulverde/Spring Branch Library, What promised to be a repeat of our highly successful display in November was somewhat of a letdown. This can be attributed in large part to the weather. It was fantastic weayher. We also suspect that being Mother's Day weekend may have also contributed to the slow showing. We still had a fair amount of people show up, just not as many as we had hoped would make it. Nathan had gone all out on the preparations, getting the word out and making all the rest of the scheduling work with the Library. We had 20 adults sign the guest register and probably as many children. Several people showed interest in the club and we may see some new members someday. The layout incorporated the new large radius corners and trains ran relatively well. All in all it still was a good display and we showed the flag and did some educating on model railroading as required by our designation of non profit.

The next show we have coming up will be the Temple show in September. I will be the coordinator for the show. I hope to have a full report for next months meeting.

As always the search continues for a clubhouse and so far no news on that front.

Following the meeting this month will be a presentation clinic on the JMRI DCC interface system. This will be given by our resident Electrical engineer and all around likeable guy, Eric. I am not sure what he will cover but its bound to be good. Come early as seats are going quickly.

We have not made much progress on the raffle layout due to lack of a place to work on it at at the moment. Please see above entry about clubhouse. Kevin has been designated coordinator of this project. We will accept any ideas, donations of materials, time and trackage and buildings. Everyone is invited to participate. No reasonable ideas will be rejected except a volcano. No volcanoes.

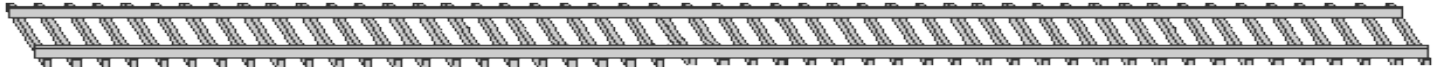
We also need to get a work session together for trailer refurbishment rebuilding project. Pam is spearheading the project.

Eric will be having an open house for his P&E Railroad on the 25th, More details at the meeting.

Well that about does it for this portion of the program, so on with the show.

Bob Williams
Stationmaster

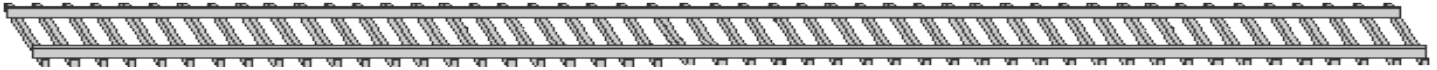




June 2017

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25 Open House for P&E Rail- road @ Erics House	26	27	28	29	30	

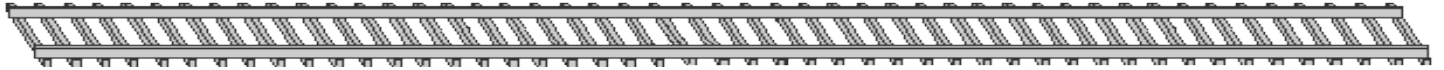




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**CHANGES IN CONTACT
INFORMATION**

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.

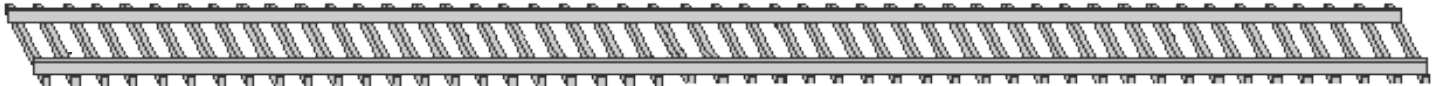
I am selling some N Gage track and bridges. I have some Kato and some Atlas. If any of your members would like to know what I have please call. I am not getting out of the hobby. I currently building a 4 track N Gage rail road on a 14ft by 8ft. I am still in the process of building and have way to much track as of now. Again if any one needs track, bridges, roadbed I have it. Please call.

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SANTRAK Business Meeting Agenda
10:30 am

June 10, 2017
Hobbytown, USA

Agenda for Next Meeting

Standing Business

1. Minutes of May Meeting None
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
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. Kevin is coordinator

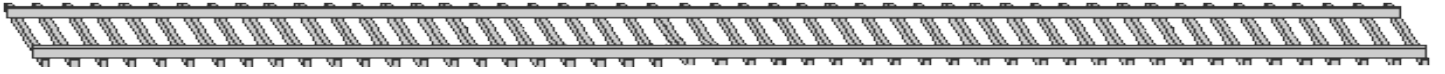
Old Business

1. Clubhouse Search – Frank – Ongoing. Latest update on possible clubhouse locations Realtor contact and Prologis
2. Report on May display at Bulverde/Spring Branch Library.

New Business

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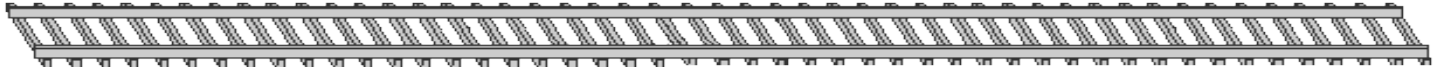


SANTRAK General Membership Meeting Minutes May 14, 2017

Aw Snap
There wasn't a meeting, so no
minutes

B Williams
Stationmaster





Superintendent's Page

From the Superintendent's Desk:

Well things have settled down somewhat and now that my surge in travel has dropped off I should be able to spend some more time looking for a clubhouse. I was glad to hear that the Bulverde show went well and will start looking for other opportunities where we can run trains and interact with the public. Sorry I couldn't be there but the mountains of Mexico were beautiful but the location was remote. Generally I enjoyed being away from phones and Emails but no internet and no TV was stretching it a bit.

We need to schedule a work session for the trailer rebuild before the Temple show. Time is slipping away since the show will be September 16 and 17. While that sounds like a long way off it is practically tomorrow in N-Scale time. Robert Williams has agreed to coordinate our show efforts and we can't wait to see how he will top the Great American Train Show effort of 2016.

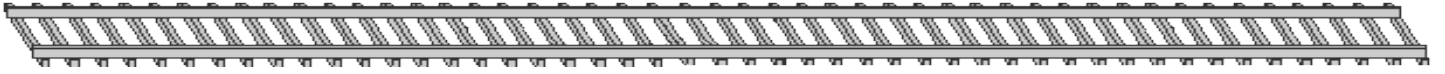
Eric has been kind enough to hold an open house to show off his layout on June 25th and you should have received a flyer with the details from Robert Williams. Please RSVP to Eric as soon as possible so that he can plan accordingly. Since imitation is the sincerest form of flattery I think I will do the same in August (but my open house will be at my house and not Eric's). Need to coordinate the date with my daughters' travel plans but it will likely be either August 19 or 26.

Eric will be giving a clinic on the JMRI DCC interface at the June meeting. I will give a clinic on making signs in PowerPoint at the July meeting (July 8th) and I will see if we can stay at Hobby Town and run trains after the meeting as well.

Kevin is coordinating our raffle layout. The plan is to have the layout substantially complete by the start of the 2018 train show season so that we can sell tickets through out 2018 running trains and doing minor detail projects on the layout at the shows. It is difficult to schedule work sessions for the raffle layout without a clubhouse so we can discuss options at the June meeting. Looking forward to seeing everyone on Saturday.

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

