

THE FIRST STATE MODEL RAILROAD CLUB, INC. NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2015

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of The First State Model Railroad Club, Inc. will be held on Tuesday, September 8, 2015, at 7:30 P.M. at Jarrell Station at 1282 McKee Road, in Dover, DE.

FIRST STATE MODEL RAILROAD CLUB PICNIC

This year's First State Model Railroad Club Annual picnic for 2015 was held at Bryan Hammond's train layout at 878 Blair's Pond Road. Canopy, tables and chairs were set up for hot dogs, hamburgers, baked beans and tons of side dishes, plus numerous desserts. There was the most watery watermelon brought by Richard and Joyce Stockslager and the biggest knife you have ever seen. Les Souder had a special cake made for Ann because it was her birthday. I think it was her 35th. Also, congrats to Ann, as last month she had both knees operated on and what a recovery. Also, Earl and Betty Brooks were in attendance and Earl had a hip replacement recently and is moving around very well. Hot dogs and hamburgers were cooked to order and were fine. There was plenty of food for the 30 or so members and guests. There was time to visit and chat with Bryan and his brother and wife. Bryan was very happy to share his layout with everyone and explain all the details. As I said, there are approximately 1,000 engines and 10,000 train cars, covering three buildings, with one large building for staging and storage and two other buildings for trains to pass through. What a sight to see! Ask anyone for more details. At about 3:30 all packed up for a trip about 3 miles down the road to George Pechin, Jr's layout at 3544 Williams Road, Houston, DE. George is the proprietor of Williamsville Country Store & Tackle Shop. He also is a Walther's Catalog dealer and his phone number is [302-424-2277](tel:302-424-2277). Be sure to give him a call for all your Walther's supplies. He also uses the discounts in the monthly flyer. George's layout is superb with a big "S" you walk around with fabulous fine detailing. See picture at meeting. If you would like to see his layout, just give him a call. A very special "Thank You" to Bryan Hammond and his brother and wife for hosting our picnic.

S H I R T S

Les has new shirts. The new yellow is like an UnderArmour, but it is called Coolon In, a brighter yellow embroidered with Club logo for about \$30.00. He also has Port Authority 3 button pocket shirts. There are a few extra of them also for about \$30.00 with Club logo. See Les Souder or Jim Thompson.

Jim Thompson, Past President

UPCOMING TRAIN SHOWS:

September 11-13, 2015 - FSMRRC to Montoursville and Steamtown, PA, English's Hobby Supply and 100th anniversary of the Tuckahannock Viaduct. (FSMRRC Excursion dates and times to be discussed at 8/11 meeting).

September 12, 2015 - The Great Lehigh Valley Train Meet, Merchants Square Mall, 1901 South 12th Street, Allentown PA, 10am–3pm, Admission: \$5.00, kids under 12 FREE.

September 19-20, 2015 - 26th Annual Tidewater Regional NMRA Train Show, Virginia Beach Convention Center, 1000 19th Street, Virginia Beach, VA, 10am–4pm (both days). Admission: TBD for adults, (\$1.00 from every paid admission goes to Toys for Tots), kids under 12 FREE, scouts in uniform (with scoutmaster, troop leaders, den mothers, or Brownie leader) FREE.

September 25-26, 2015 – East Coast Train Show, York Expo Center, 334 Carlisle Avenue, York, PA, Friday: 9am–6pm. Saturday: 9am–4pm. Admission: Two-day ticket: Adult: \$18.00, kids under 12 FREE, One-Day ticket: Adult: \$10.00, kids under 12 FREE, Two-Day Group (Club) Rates: \$15.00 for 25 or more tickets when purchased in advance.

September 25-27, 2015 - Second Annual Mid-Atlantic Prototype Modeler's Association Meet, Fredericksburg, Virginia(FSMRRC to discuss possible excursion dates and times at 8/11 meeting).

September 27, 2015 – Trains Collectors Association Atlantic Division Autumn Train Meet, Plumbers Union Hall, 2791 Southampton Road, Philadelphia, PA, 8am–12:30pm. (TCA members only before 9am). Admission: \$5.00.

October 10, 2015 – Boy Scouts of America Railroad Merit Badge Day, sponsored by **The First State Model Railroad Club**, 1282 McKee Road, Dover, DE, 9am–3pm. Open to 30 scouts. Admission FREE. Contact via e-mail: cubbie109@yahoo.com.

October 22-25, 2015 – NMRA Mid-East Region Convention, The Hotel ML, 915 Route 73, Mount Laurel, NJ.

October 24, 2015 – Delaware Train Show, Nur Shrine Center, 198 South DuPont Highway (Route 13), New Castle, DE, 9am–2pm. Admission: \$5.00, children under the age of 12 are free, \$10.00 Early Buyers 8:00am admission.

October 24-25, 2015 – Great Scale Model Train Show, Maryland State Fairgrounds, 2200 York Road, Timonium, MD. Saturday: 9am–4pm, Sunday: 10am–4pm. Admission: Saturday \$9.00, good for both days, kids under 15 FREE, Sunday: \$8.00, kids under 15 FREE.

November 1, 2015 - 38th Annual Gaithersburg Show, Montgomery County Fairgrounds, 501 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, MD. No other information available at this time.

November 1, 2015 – Scranton Model Train Show. Radisson at Lackawanna Station Hotel, 700 Lackawanna Avenue, Scranton, PA. 9am - 2pm. For additional information contact: Scranton Hobby, 517 Lackawanna Avenue, Scranton, PA, [\(570\) 342-1963](tel:5703421963).

November 7-8 – First State Model Railroad Club OPEN HOUSE, 1282 McKee Road, Dover, DE. 9am – 4pm. Contact: [Jim Valle, 302-678-0283](tel:3026780283).

November 7-8, 2015 - 31st Annual Model Train & Railroadiana Show and Sale, Jim Graham Building, at corner of Blue Ridge Rd. and Hillsborough Street, NC State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC. 9am – 5pm. Admission: \$8.00 (covers both days), kids under 10 FREE with paying adult.

November 7-8, & 14-15, 2015 – Pat Mulrooney, OPEN HOUSE, 206 Stoever Dr., New Holland, PA, 11am – 4pm. Contact: [717-419-6880](tel:7174196880).

November 14, 2015 – FSMRRC set-up at Magnolia, NJ.

November 14-15, 2015 – Allentown Train Meet Associates' First Frost™ Train Meet, Allentown Fairgrounds, Agricultural Hall (Agri-Plex), 302 North 17th Street,

Allentown, PA. Saturday: 9am – 4pm, Sunday: 9am – 3pm. Admission: \$7.00 each day, kids under 12 FREE, with paying adult.

November 22, 2015 – Paul Roy OPEN HOUSE, 95 River Run Boulevard, Felton, DE 19943. 10am – 4pm. Contact:[302-289-3560](tel:302-289-3560).

November 28-29, 2015 – Delmarva Model Railroad Club’s 30th Annual Holiday Open House, 103 E. State Street, Delmar, DE. Saturday: 11am – 4pm. Sunday: Noon – 4pm. Free parking and admission. Layouts in Z Scale, N Scale modular, N Scale, HO Scale, S Scale, O Gauge, Standard Gauge, and G Scale. White Elephant table, Refreshments, and Train Videos.

November 28-29, 2015 – Greenberg’s Train and Toy Show, New Jersey Expo Center, 97 Sunfield Avenue, Edison, NJ. 10:00am – 4pm both days. Admission: \$9.00 (good for both days), kids under 12 FREE.

December ??, 2015 – FSMRRC CHRISTMAS DINNER/PARTY

ARE YOU GOING TO HAVE AN OPEN HOUSE??? IF SO, PLEASE LET US KNOW.

Do you have something you would like to share with the members of FSMRRC? If so, please submit them to stockslager@gmail.com by the end of each month.