

THE CALL BOARD



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Abbreviated Annual Meeting Report

The NVNTRAK Annual Business Meeting was held on January 27th at Franconia Fire Station. **BOD** nominees were **Jim Anderson** and **Dave Freshwater**, who were eligible for a second term, and **Rodney Bohlmann** and **J.B. Weilepp**, who were nominated for the open positions vacated by retiring **BOD** members **Brian Brendel** and **John Steitz**. In the absence of other candidates, these members were elected to the **BOD** by acclamation.

In the **BOD** meeting after the Annual Meeting, the **BOD** was newly organized as:

Officers

President: David Freshwater
Treasurer: Ann Prentice
Secretary: Jim Anderson
Superintendent: Rodney Bohlmann

Directors-at-Large

Nick Sklias
Phil Poole
J.B. Weilepp

The live auction raised \$607 for the club and the silent auction allowed members to sell more than \$1100 in locomotives, cars, structures and other assorted railroad items.

More information on the Annual Meeting will be in the March **Call Board**.

NVNTRAK Condolences

NVNTRAK offers its condolences to Edd Braithwood on the recent death of his mother. The sympathies of all NVNTRAK members are extended to Edd and his family.

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RAIL EVENTS TIMETABLE

BOLD Events are NTRAK module events.

Saturday - Sunday, February 2-3, 2008: Great Scale Model Train Show, The Cow Palace, Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium, MD 21094 (410) 252-0200 Coordinator: Noll Horan (703) 426-0700, Trailer: None. Show Hours: Sat. 0900 - 1600 Hrs.; Sun. 1000 - 1600 Hrs. Set-up: Fri. 2/1/08 1500-2000 Hrs., Sat. 2/2/08 0700-0900 Hrs., Clamp-down: Sat. 0730 Hrs. Wear NVNTRAK ID. Layout Type: Nn3 layout only

Sunday, February 3, 2008, 1300-1700 Hrs.: February Back Shop. Fairfax (Franconia) Fire Station #5, 6300 Beulah Street, Alexandria VA 22310; (703) 971-5858. Contact: Rod Bohlmann. Trailer: N/A Projects: 1) Track laying on new modules 2) Power-pole conversions on modules 3) Certification of new modules for Spring shows.

Sunday, February 17, 2008, 1300-1600 Hrs.: Museum Layout, Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, P.O. Box 7, Fairfax Station, VA 22039 (703)425-9225 Coordinator: John Steitz (703) 371-5171, steitzj@georgetown.edu. Trailer: NVX4 [Trailer hauler needed] Set-up: 1100 - 1300 Hrs., Clamp-down: 1200 Hrs. Unload in parking lot, then move vehicle across street to overflow lot. Layout Type: Small Oval, run Caboose Layout

Tuesday, February 19, 2008, 2000-2200 Hrs. [tentative] NVNTRAK Board of Directors Meeting, Prentice Home, 7314 Briarcliff Drive, Springfield, VA 22153 Non-module event.

Saturday - Sunday, February 23-24, 2008: Great Train Expo Show (formerly Greenberg Train Show), Tack Room, Prince George's Equestrian Center, Upper Marlboro, MD Coordinator: Paul Diley. Trailer: NVX3 [Trailer Hauler ?] Show Hours: Sat. and Sun.: 1000 - 1600 Hrs. Set-up: Fri. 2/22/08: 1500-1930 Hrs.; Sat.: 0730-1000 Hrs. Clamp-down: 0900 Hrs. Unload inside building or in back. Park in Vendor/Exhibitor lots in back or on the side. Wear NVNTRAK ID. Layout Type: Medium Oval; Company Store, OLI.

Sunday, March 2, 2008, 1300-1700 Hrs.: March Back Shop. Fairfax (Franconia) Fire Station #5, 6300 Beulah Street, Alexandria VA 22310; (703) 971-5858. Contact: Rod Bohlmann. Trailer: N/A Projects: 1) Soldering Clinic; 2) Power pole conversions of modules; 3) Certification of New Modules for Spring shows.

Saturday - Sunday, March 8-9, 2008: Great Train Expo Show (formerly Greenberg Train Show), Fredericksburg Expo and Conference Center, 2371 Carl D. Silver Parkway, Fredericksburg, VA 22401 (540) 548-5555. Coordinator: t.b.d. Trailer: NVX3 [Trailer Hauler ?] Show Hours: Sat. and Sun.: 1000 - 1600 Hrs. Set-up: Fri. 2/22/08: 1500-1930 Hrs.; Sat.: 0730-1000 Hrs. Clamp-down: 0900 Hrs. Unload inside building or in back. Park in Vendor/Exhibitor lots in back or on the side. Wear NVNTRAK ID. Layout Type: Medium Oval; Company Store, OLI

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R A I L E V E N T S T I M E T A B L E

Saturday, March 8, 2008, 0930-1230 Hrs. Lorton Station Elementary School PTA Health and Safety Fair, Lorton Station Elementary School, 9298 Lewis Chapel Road, Lorton, VA 22079 571-642-6000 Coordinator: John Cook (703) 670-9700, jcook@nvtrak.org. Trailer: NVX4. Set-up: 0730-0930 Hrs. Clamp-down: 0800 Hrs. Layout Type: Possibly TTRAK in lieu of small NTRAK oval with OLI

Saturday - Sunday, March 15-16, 2008: Boy Scout Troop 964 Train Show, Saunders Middle School, 13557 Spriggs Rd., Manassas, VA 20112 (703) 670- 9188 http://www.troop964.org/index_files/Train_Show/trainshow.htm Coordinator: Dale Rinker. Trailer: NVX3 [Trailer hauler still needed] Show Hours: T.B.D. Set-up: Sat. 0700-1000 Hrs. Clamp-down: Sat. 0900 Hrs. Wear NVNTRAK ID. Layout Type: Small-Medium Oval; OLI presentations

Sunday, March 16, 2008, 1300-1600 Hrs.: Museum Layout, Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, P.O. Box 7, Fairfax Station, VA 22039 (703)425-9225 Coordinator: John Steitz (703) 371-5171, steitzj@georgetown.edu. Trailer: NVX4 [Trailer hauler needed] Set-up: 1130 - 1300 Hrs., Clamp-down: 1200 Hrs.

Tuesday, March 18, 2008, 2000-2200 Hrs. [tentative] NVNTRAK Board of Directors Meeting, Non-module event.

Thursday - Saturday, March 27-29, 2008: C&O Historical Society Convention, Hawk's Nest State Park Lodge, P.O. Box 857, Ansted, WV 25812. (304) 658-5212 1-800-CALL WVA, <http://www.hawksnestsp.com/> Coordinator: Matt Schaefer (703) 978-2946, cando.matt@verizon.net. Trailer: ? Set-up: Thursday 1800-2300 Hrs.; Clamp-down: Thursday 1800 Hrs. Show Hours: Friday: all day and evening; Saturday: all day until 2000 Hrs. Layout Type: Serpentine medium-sized NTRAK layout with members of Lynchburg NTRAK (DCC).

Sunday, April 6, 2008, 1300-1700 Hrs.: March Back Shop. Fairfax (Franconia) Fire Station #5, 6300 Beulah Street, Alexandria VA 22310; (703) 971-5858. Contact: Rod Bohlmann. Trailer: N/A

Saturday - Sunday, April 12-13, 2008: Great Scale Model Train Show [Tentative – NTRAK and T-TRAK], The Cow Palace, Maryland State Fairgrounds, Timonium, MD 21094 (410) 252-0200 NTRAK Coordinator: t.b.d. T-TRAK Coordinator: Steve Jackson (703) 362-3568, Trailer: ? Show Hours: Sat. 0900 - 1600 Hrs.; Sun. 1000 - 1600 Hrs. Set-up: Fri. 2/1/08 1500-2000 Hrs., Sat. 0700-0900 Hrs., Clamp-down: 0730 Hrs. Wear NVNTRAK ID. Layout Type: NTRAK and T-TRAK layout (tentative).

Sunday, April 20, 2008, 1300-1600 Hrs.: Museum Layout, Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, 11200 Fairfax Station Road, P.O. Box 7, Fairfax Station, VA 22039 (703)425-9225 Coordinator: John Steitz (703) 371-5171, steitzj@georgetown.edu.

Preliminary 2008 Schedule	
May 3-4	Fairfax Station Train Show
May 4	Back Shop
May 16-18	Kimberton Meet (Nn3)
May 18	Fairfax Station
June 1	Back Shop
June 7	Manassas Railway Festival
June 14-15	Alexandria Waterfront
June 15	Fairfax Station
June 25-29	Derby City Express, Louisville
June 25-29	Movies Under the Moon
July 14-20	NMRA Anaheim
July 20	Fairfax Station
August 3	Back Shop
August 17	Fairfax Station
August 22-24	Bedford N Scale Weekend
August 23-24	Greenberg Chantilly
Aug. 31—Sept. 1	Fairfax Station Train Show
September 21	Fairfax Station
September 28	National Burn Camp
October 4	Bethesda-Chevy Chase
October 5	Back Shop
October 11-12	Great Scale Show, Timonium
October 16-19	NMRA MER Chantilly
October 19	Fairfax Station
November 2	Back Shop
November 8	Damascus
November 8-9	Rockville Lions
November ?	Gaithersburg Train Show
November 16	Fairfax Station
December 6-7	Fairfax Station Train Show
December 6-7	IKEA College Park
December 12-13	South Columbia Baptist (TTRAK)
December 13	Kena Temple (TTRAK)
December 13	Purcellville
December 27-28	Greenberg Chantilly

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