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CAPITOL LIMITED EAST 2014 CONVENTION AUGUST 7 TO 10, 2014

RAIL EVENTS TIMETABLE

Sunday—August 3, 2014—Capitol Limited 2014 Convention Committee Meeting. 1200-1330 at Franconia Fire Station #5, 6300 Beulah Street, Alexandria, VA.

Sunday—August 3, 2014—Back Shop. 1330-1700 at Franconia Fire Station #5, 6300 Beulah Street, Alexandria, VA.

Sunday—August 3, 2014--Board Meeting 1500-1600 at Franconia Fire Station #5, 6300 Beulah Street, Alexandria, VA.

Thursday to Sunday—August 7 to 10, 2014—Capitol Limited N Scale East 2014 Convention at Dulles Expo Center, Chantilly Virginia. Setup starts at 0800 Thursday, August 7.

Sunday—August 17, 2014—Fairfax Station Railroad Museum at 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station, VA 22039. Public Hours 1300-1600. Set-up Coordinator: Jim Davis; Trailer: NVX-3; Trailer Hauler: Jim Davis. Set-up: 1100-1300; Clamp-down: 1200.

Sunday and Monday—August 31 & September 1, 2014—(Labor Day Weekend)—Fairfax Station Railroad Museum at 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station, VA 22039. Public hours 1200 to 1700 each day. Coordinator: JB Weillepp. **Caboose Only.**

Sunday—September 7, 2014—Back Shop. 1300-1700 at Franconia Fire Station #5, 6300 Beulah Street, Alexandria, VA.

Sunday—September 7, 2014--Board Meeting 1500-1600 at Franconia Fire Station #5, 6300 Beulah Street, Alexandria, VA.

Sunday—September 21, 2014—Fairfax Station Railroad Museum at 11200 Fairfax Station Road, Fairfax Station, VA 22039. Public Hours 1300-1600. Set-up Coordinator: Jim Davis; Trailer: NVX-3; Trailer Hauler: Jim Davis. Set-up: 1100-1300; Clamp-down: 1200.

Looking Ahead:

October 12—Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, T-Trak

October 19—Fairfax Station Railroad Museum, NTRAK.

SUPERINTENDENTS CORNER BY ED BOLAND

ARE YOU READY ????

“Capitol Limited 2014 NTRAK East Convention”

August is upon us and we only have a very few days left before our convention opens for business. There may be some jobs that still need to be filled. Please contact **Cotton Bowen**, cwsbowen@verizon.net, as he is coordinating the jobs and times. Cotton’s home phone 703.450.5857 or cell 703.309.3068. We can never have too many volunteers!

Wednesday, August 6, 2014 we are at **Chantilly EXPO Center** to start marking the floor for the layouts and venders and Thursday morning the flood gates open wide. If you need help with anything on your modules, plan to bring them to the back shop Sunday. Please give me advance notice so that the proper supplies will be on hand. edboland1@verizon.net

‘Til next month

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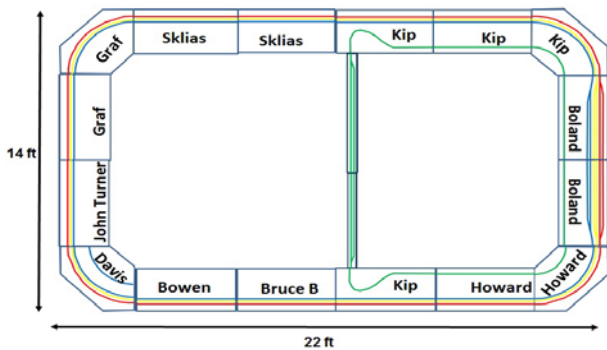
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July was a little slow—only four pages this time.

**FAIRFAX STATION
JULY 20, 2014
BY
JIM DAVIS**

OK—It is summer! It is a nice day! We don't normally have many visitors at the July Fairfax Station Show. Probably it will be just us and the trains. Wrong answer! Where did all the people come from? It turned out, as you can see from the pictures; this was one of the best attended shows we have had in a quite a while. We even saw a lot of members, in addition to those that set up modules.

For the setup we had the normal crowd of module providers: **Cotton Bowen, Jim Davis, Steve Graf, Ed Boland, Kip Petrick, and Nick Sklias**. **JB Weillepp** did the duties in the Caboose and handed out a few convention shirts. Wait a minute, why was I down to one module? A corner at that!



I had to make room for two firsts. **Bruce Baldwin** and **John Turner** each had their first module in a show—just in time for Ed's certification for the Convention. It is really great to see some new members get a module done. Of course the track work and electrical passed—thanks to some Back Shop help and visits to my workshop.



John's Module.
John works at a print shop (I think) and showed up at a Back Shop with a full 4 ft. by 2 ft. diagram of his arrangement. It helped, he ended up moving the turnout some to smooth the curvature into the siding.

Scott Wahl, who had been a member in the past, came by with two modules seeking a little advice. Scott has rejoined NVNTRAK, and I just happened to have two sets of POFF Power Pole cables handy. As a former Treasurer, I am always happy to take people's money. I even know how to get it to the right place. Add one more set of hands and two modules for the Convention. This was the only show in July. We got to run some trains and wonder where all the people came from.



Bruce did the frame at track, Sophie Hoover did the scenery.



Close-up of Sophie's effort.



Yep—Ed has it approved.



CONVENTION NEWS

Capitol Limited N Scale East 2014 is arriving at the station (Dulles Expo Center) on Thursday, August 7th.



The work of the convention committee is almost complete. Now is the time for your volunteer service. What sorts of convention activities will need volunteers? Some examples:

- Greeting and escorting conventioners arriving at the Dulles Expo Center to register for the Convention.
- Helping with registration at the Dulles Expo Center.
- Directing conventioners with modules to their set up location.
- Helping with the setup of modules.
- Working one or more shifts at the Company Store.
- Helping with Clinics and Contests
- Helping on tours.
- Just being available.

To board the Capitol Limited N Scale East 2014 express, plan on attending the Backshop, Sunday, August 3rd, from 1:00 until 3:00 p.m. to sign up. In addition to being a volunteer during the Convention, also plan to run a train or two!

All aboard.

Convention Cars have been shipped.

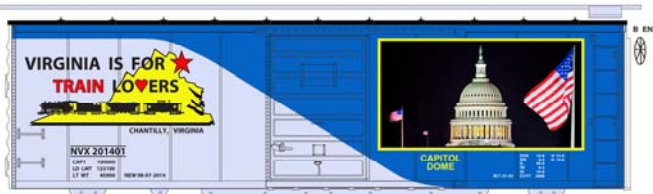
Fairfax Station Kits are on hand ready to be sold at the Company Store.

Both are limited runs—when they are sold there will be no more.

Buy early.



Capitol Limited N-Scale East 2014 Convention Car



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