

TUESDAY EVENING

Ladies Meet and Greet – Hosted by Helen Lenart

7:30-9:30PM Deck Room

A chance to meet each other, hear more about non-rail events and learn about activities in the local area.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

#1 Make It/ Take it Clinic - Ken Zieska

6:00 -7:30PM Seminar Room

How would like to start and finish a model during the NASG Convention? During the last three NASG Conventions, participants who had never built a kit and modelers looking to broaden their kit building skills have gone home from the convention with finished structures ready to put on their layouts. Then join Ken Zieska, nationally recognized modeler during the 2018 New England S-PRESS NASG Convention for a Make It, Take It clinic. Over two clinic sessions in about 3 hours you will start and potentially complete a building from a kit. You will learn about different glues, paints, and techniques. There will be a charge for the kit (at cost) and Ken will have several glues, some of his suggested tools and paints for you to use however you are encouraged to bring a set of tools, i.e. knife, cutting surface, pin vice, tweezers, razor saw, etc."

#2 Ride the Rutland! - Jeff English

6:30-7:30PM Deck Room

An overview and discussion of the sights along the rails for the Green Mountain Vermont rail tour from Bellows Falls to Ludlow, Vermont.

THURSDAY EVENING

#3 Coconut Sugar Scrub Clinic - Deane Louise Greene

7:00-8:00PM Deck Room

Learn how to make your own Coconut Oil Sugar Scrub for yourself or to give as gifts. It is so simple and easy to make and feels like an expensive spa treatment. The coconut oil moisturizes and is beneficial for your skin on so many different levels. The granular sugar exfoliates your skin to open up pores and give you a smoother feel. Essential oils can stimulate your senses with peppermint or citrus, or you can soothe with lavender. There will be several scents and non-staining, colorants available. Use this luxurious homemade product anywhere on your body where you have dry or rough skin - soften the rough spots on your feet or moisturize & exfoliate your face. Rub a little into your hands after washing, or use in the shower for silky soft skin. You'll be able to duplicate this anytime anywhere after completing this workshop. Supplies will be provided and you'll be able to take home a jar of your own along with a recipe.

#4 Railroads in the Civil War 1861-1865 - Roy E. Jones III

7:00-8:30PM Seminar Room

This talk will discuss some interesting or little known aspects of Railroads in the Civil War. We'll talk about how Rail and Massachusetts troops were involved in first war battle. How was Massachusetts involved in getting troops to Washington? Who tricked the Baltimore & Ohio RR? Who stole locomotives without track? Then stole track to build a railroad? Who was this guy Herman Haupt? We use things today in Model Railroading that he invented. Was he a Prophet in his writings and work? The costly big dig wasn't the first in Massachusetts. Hear about it! We'll see that Taunton, MA had a big role in the Civil War railroads. As we talk we'll see how effective the U.S. Military Railroad System was. It followed Grant almost to Appomattox for the surrender.

FRIDAY CLINICS – held in several clinic rooms

#5 Simple Jewelry Making - Lynn Barnhardt

9:00-10:30AM Ivy room

Bring your imagination for this fun clinic. You will get a chance to work with memory wire to create bright bracelets, earrings possibly even a necklace. No special jewelry making experience is needed. Examples of different combinations will be on hand to inspire you. The instructor will provide all supplies needed. There will be a small charge for supplies which will be the clinic cost. Lots of colorful choices and styles will be available for these jewelry pieces.

#6 Decals Wet Transfer method-Step-by-Step - Geoff Graeber

9:00-10:00AM Deck Room

This system provides for the precise application of decals to a surface using quality masking tape to delineate where the lateral and inferior margins of the decal will go. Methods will be presented for both the right and left handed modeler.

#7 Scenery: The World around your Trains -

Pat Fucile and Phyllis Sieger

10:00-11:00AM Deck Room

See how suggestions and ideas about perspective, history, people, your hobbies and whimsy can enhance scenery and help make you layout uniquely yours. Learn about non commercial sources to explore from your back yard or travel locations to your kitchen and junk drawers. Watch as two dioramas start with a building and a scene is created around them using these ideas. Share some of your ideas with us as well. After all, in this case, "The world is what you make it!"

#8 Make it/ take it - Ken Zieska

11:00 - 12:00pm Deck Room

Continue building your kit that started in the Wednesday Session

12:00-1:00PM LUNCH BREAK (no clinics)

#9 Chocolate - Herb of the Heart - Rivka Schwartz

1:00-2:30PM Deck Room

What can be better than relaxing with a chocolate treat? Travel through the history of chocolate while tasting chocolate as it was enjoyed at different times and places. Answer the question: Is chocolate a decadent indulgence or a health food? What are its health benefits and where can you find ethically sourced chocolate. We'll discuss the art of making herbal chocolates. Take home recipes.

#10 Understanding 3D printing for S Gauge -Bob Frascella

3:00 – 4:00PM Deck Room

A basic introduction to 3D design and Printing and how it benefits S Scale Modelers. The clinic will walk the modeler through obtaining and using free design software, basic 3D design, and how to print the design using a commercial printing company. An electronic copy of the presentation materials will be provided to all in attendance via email.

#11 DCC Update (Digital Command Control) - Michael Greene

9:00-10:00AM Seminar room

This clinic will provide an update in the area of NMRA Digital Command Control and its application to modeling in S. This includes updates on new products — both recent DCC products (systems, decoders, etc.) as well as products that include DCC. Also this clinic will touch on the topics of installations in S, tools that are useful with DCC, and related products & technologies like the layout control bus.

#12 Going to Provincetown? Ride the Rails- Roy E. Jones III

10:00-11:00am Seminar room

Go for a train ride from Hyannis/Yarmouth down to Provincetown. Take in the sights through historic pictures and some model railroading of actual locations. We'll be on a freight so will have to do some switching like Route 6 building materials in Brewster or some coal for Camp Wellfleet. We'll have to check for the barrel at Pleasant Lake. We will talk about the construction of the Cape Cod Central and how Chatham got left out. We'll put Chatham on the Rail Map too! If we took this trip before 1937 we might have ridden a passenger car so let's see if we could have beaten today's traffic in the late 1800's. Yes we'll pick up a couple loads of Cranberries in North Harwich. Come enjoy a wonderful and eventful rail ride!

#13 A.C. Gilbert - American Flyer Engine prototypes - Carl Byron

11:00-12:00PM Seminar room

A closer look at A.C. Gilbert engine models as toy trains and how closely did he follow the prototype from the small 0-6-0 Docksider to the Union Pacific 4-8-4 locomotive. If time permits, some more information on A.C. Gilbert and the Misto Magic Company.

12:00-1:00PM LUNCH BREAK (no clinics)

#14 The Making of a New England Display – Seminar room

1:00-2:00 PM Stephan Lamb, owner of Stephan Lamb

Associates, will give a 50 minute presentation of the making of the HO-scale New England Model Railroad display located at Gulliver's Gate in New York City. Also included will be highlights of the other countries represented at Gulliver's Gate miniature world showcase.

#15 Modeler's Tips, Tricks and Shortcuts - Malcolm Houck

2:00-3:00PM Seminar room

The clinic covers specialty shop-made tools, jigs, templates and soldering tips. We'll discuss some scenery tips for modeling water and trees as well.

**#16 The Fabulous Gilbert American Flyer S Gauge Streamliners
- A history by Bob Bubeck**

3:00 – 4:00pm Seminar room

The postwar period of American Flyer toy train production by the A.C. Gilbert Co. saw the offering of the sleekest and grandest diesel-electric streamliner models of any U.S. manufacturer during the years from 1950-1964. The evolution and collectability of the ALCO PA/PB, Silver Bullet, NH EP-5 passenger sets are to be discussed as will details about early 1950's chrome plating processing on plastics and some intriguing pre-production examples that did not make it to production. Given the New England location of the convention, McGinnis NH passenger equipment considered by Gilbert, but not produced will also be included.

SATURDAY Morning Clinics

#17 Modeling Milk on your Layout - Ed Loizeaux

9:30-10:30AM Seminar room

An interesting overview presentation of the dairy industry and its dependence on railroad transportation. A visual slide show follows the physical movement of milk from cow to table. Emphasis is on horse-drawn carts, small trucks, trackside platforms, trains, interurban/trolley cars, can cars, creameries, ice houses, ice harvesting, icing machines, bulk milk cars, entire milk trains, pasteurization, homogenization, bottling plants, larger trucks and conversion of milk to other products such as butter, ice cream, cheese, etc. Each step of the process is illustrated, with both prototype and model images, so the modeler can recreate all, or a portion, of the dairy industry on his home layout.

#18 Decals Dry Transfer method-Step-by-Step Geoff Graeber

10:30 – 11:30AM Seminar room

Using a diagram that has enlarged the guiding diagram provided by the manufacturer to the exact size of the car or piece you wish to letter; the placement and dimensions of the dry transfer can be placed on the surface. Procedures will be presented for both right and left handed modelers to facilitate placement.

#19 AF Flyer Repair - Don Hasenzahl

10:30-11:30AM Deck room

Step by step demonstration on how to re-wick a steam locomotive smoke unit - starting with instruction on how to open up the locomotive and advice on how to get best smoke output!