

The Mainline



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Side Tracks

Steve Hashagen

Clear your calendars on meeting day for the next few months 'cause they will be very exciting @ APN! We will be presenting a permanent layout plan, starting construction upon acceptance, celebrating our 20th Holiday party, electing new officers, and turning the corner on our third year of our building. Don't be one of those who miss out on shaping our future!

Remember you can be one who helps makes things happen, watches things happen, or wonders what happened... it's up to you!

We will be deciding the date and place of our annual December Holiday Party and Awards Presentations at the October meeting so bring your social calendar with you to help avoid conflicts.

Duane Darling has completed installing the new kitchen cabinets he designed, built and donated to the club and they look great! Thanks Duane.

As of this newsletter it appears we will be presenting the proposed footprint for the permanent railroad at the October meeting. The proposed footprint is currently on display for review on the wall where the double doors are in meeting wall. It is done on brown kraft paper (any other designs on display are obsolete). If you have the opportunity, take a few minutes to review it prior to the meeting.

That's it for now, be sure and read through this newsletter because there is a lot of information you will want to make note of. I look forward to seeing you at our meeting on October 19th!

Election Committee to be appointed at the October Meeting

Anyone wanting to serve on the election committee for the upcoming election of our clubs officers at the January 2003 meeting please let me know. If we do not get enough volunteers I will be appointing members at the meeting. The duties are easy, basically passing out and counting the ballots election night. I will review the duties at the October meeting.

The only requirements are that you be a full member in good standing and will be able to attend the January 18, 2003 meeting. This is an excellent opportunity to serve your club as a committee member.

As a heads up! Not being at the October meeting does not guarantee you will not be picked...in fact traditionally it has been the best way to get on the election committee! Most times your fellow members, who are at the meeting, nominate those who are not at the meeting, to serve on the committee.

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Visitors and prospective members are always welcome!

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APN "Board of Directors" Elections

Elections are coming up in a few months and now is the time for any interested persons to explore the possibility of serving on the board of directors. For those who are new, elections are held at the January meeting each year. The process starts in October when the president asks for, or appoints, three members to serve on the election committee. Their job is to produce the ballot and oversee counting the ballots and announcing the results on Election Day.

The only requirement for serving on the Board is that you be a full member in good standing. I have posted a sign-up sheet on the club bulletin board for those who wish to put their name on the ballot!

You can review the duties of each office in your copy of our by-laws. If you have lost yours or need a new set of by-laws just ask me at the upcoming meeting! Serving on your clubs board is a lot of work, but I can tell you from 7 years of experience it has many rewards. I look forward to answering any questions you might have about the opportunity to serve your club.

Fall 2002 GATS Reminder

This years fall GATS show is scheduled for November 9th and 10th at the Pasadena Convention Center, 7902 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, TX. The hours of the show are 12:00 to 5:00 both Saturday and Sunday.

We will be looking for people to help APN host its usual booth to promote our club.

October Meeting Clinic

Please plan on attending the October clinic as Stephen Foster will be showing us structure construction tips as well as realistic weathering! He gave this clinic a few years ago and it was a great clinic to help you improve your skills!

You will not want to miss this one!

Calendar of Events

October	2002
19 th	10:00 am APN Monthly Meeting @ the club
November	2002
9 th & 10 th	GATS Pasadena Convention Center, 7902 Fairmont Parkway, Pasadena, TX 12:00 to 5:00 both Saturday and Sunday
16 th	10:00 am APN Monthly Meeting @ the club
16 th & 17 th	Layout Tour open house 12:00 – 6:00 @ club both Saturday and Sunday

November Open House Scheduled!

We have signed up for the November Layout Tour and will be open Saturday & Sunday November 16th & 17th from 12:00 noon until 6:00! More details at the October meeting.

Happy Birthday!

October	2002
7 th	Aaron Coates
November	2002
7 th	David Spencer
23 rd	Terry Bryant

Maintenance Schedule Balance of Year

October 2002

Terry Bryant Team Leader

John Christiansen
Aaron Coates
Duane Darling
Steve Dennis
Jim Dunnuck

November 2002

Joseph Ewing Team Leader

David Funk
Kevin Grandjean
Steve Hashagen
Mike Kremheller
Scott Kurzawski

December 2002

Miguel Macias Team Leader

Ray McClure
Bob Miller
Charles Richmond
Matt Sell
Will Smith

Please remember that if you have a conflict that prevents you from helping with maintenance during your month find someone to switch with you and mark the changes on the roster posted on the club bulletin board.

October 2002 Header Photo

I have not gotten any new photos so this months header is of the double water tenders of UP's excursion Challenger # 3985

Proposed Permanent Layout

Footprint Presentation

As of this newsletter it appears we will be presenting the proposed footprint for the permanent railroad at the October meeting.

Based on that happening I have outlined a possible “first steps” timeline:

- **October 19th** Presentation of layout footprint and cost estimates.
- **November 1st** deadline for proposed revisions and/or modifications.
- **November 18th** re-presentation (based on any revisions)of revised footprint or final review and vote on acceptance of footprint and assessment timeline.