



The Dispatcher

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Officers for 2002-2004

Superintendent:
Mark Gaeth

Dispatcher:
Chuck White

Treasurer:
Gene Cowan

Board of Directors:
Alan Bell
Bill Wemhoff

AP Chairman:
Daniel Metzger

Membership Chair:
Dan Brown

Meetings:
2nd Monday of
each month
7:00 pm

North Central Region

Northeast Hoosier
Division 3



MEMBERS PRESENT

Bill Wemhoff
Mel Wise
Glenn Roon
Charles White
Lou Bailey

Max Metzger
Gene Cowan
Art Solomon
Rich Swihart
Dan Metzger

John Reitz
Jeff Ashby
A. Metzger
Carl Dirig
Victor Baird

Don Rhodenbaugh
Mark Gaeth

CLINIC

The Clinic was, "how to decal equipment". This clinic was put on by Mark Gaeth and John Reitz, MMR. The first thing that you do is prepare the surface that you are going to decal. Make sure the surface has a gloss coat of paint and that it is clean. The gloss coat will help to hide the edge of the decal. Then you cut your decal out with a sharp hobby knife and put the decal into a bowl of water. Then you apply some setting solution to the side of the model; Micro Scale makes a 2 part decal applying set. You use part one "MIRCO SET", and apply this to the model using a small soft paintbrush. You take the decal with its backing paper still on it over to your model.

You start to remove the backing paper by pulling the decal off with the paintbrush. After it is off the backing paper and on the model you can move it around and position the decal where you want it. After you have it where you want it, you now apply part 2 "MICRO SOL". Word of caution, this part softens the decal to make it form around and sink into any cracks or detail parts. *DO NOT TRY TO MOVE THE DECAL AFTER YOU HAVE APPLIED PART TWO.* The decal will more than likely tear because it is so soft.

Now put the model aside and let it dry naturally. In a couple of hours, you can now apply dull coat to blend everything in, That's it. See how easy it is.

SHOW AND TELL

"Dumb things my wife/family/friends bought me that are train related that they thought I'd like."

Don Rhodenbaugh - A LIONEL salt and pepper shaker.

Charles White - A LIONEL Train Clock and a PINK stuffed Pig engineer.

Carl Dirig - A piece of trolley rail

Victor Baird - A Marklin German 0-6-0 tank engine.

TREASURY REPORT

Our treasurer Gene Cowan says we are in black and everything is OK.

NEW BUSINESS

Mel Wise and Glenn Roon are going to check with Allen Toy to see when and if we can possibly put on the annual picnic out at his house. Glenn or Mel will get back with us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This month clinic is to be put on by Craig Berndt about the EL River Railroad. This is a power point presentation and is very good.

Charles White is going to get in touch with Mike Burgett who put on a Clinic on how CTC works at the last op till you drop session. He is going to see when he would be able to come down to Fort Wayne and give his presentation to our group. A motion by Bill Wemhoff, seconded by Glenn Roon to cover his gas expense. Chuck is going to check into this.

Next Show and Tell: Railroad related artwork.

Next Clinic: Nothing planned at this time.

Next Meeting: Our program will feature Craig Berndt's Eel River RR presentation. This is a MS PowerPoint program Craig has given to the NRHS at Taylor University, at the public library in Columbia City, and other venues including Roann & Butler.

Round Robin Schedule:

Here is the Layout Tour Schedule as of 5 January 2003.

"TBD" means "To Be Determined at a later time". These will be updated as soon as possible.

June 21, 2003, Friday 7:00 PM

Host, Alan Bell, 5822 Kruse Drive, Ft. Wayne, IN

July 18, 2003, Friday 7:00 PM

Host, John Reitz, 1401 Kenwood Avenue, Ft. Wayne

August date and time T.B.D. 2003

Host, Dan Metzger, 4322 Arlington Avenue, Ft. Wayne, IN

September 19, 2003, Friday 7:00 PM

Host, Mark Wilson, 11523 Green Holly Cove, Ft. Wayne, IN

October 17, 2003, Friday 7:00 PM

Host, Rich Swihart, 2519 East State Blvd, Ft. Wayne, IN

November date and time T.B.D. 2003

Host, Jeff Ashby, 7608 Antebellum Blvd, Ft. Wayne, IN

December 12, 2003, Friday 7:00 PM:

Host, Art Solomon, 1120 Lake Point Cove, Ft. Wayne

