

The

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Post

Official Newsletter of the

Neuse River Valley Model Railroad Club

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. This Month's Program

Steve will be demonstrating the Atlas track software immediately following Wednesday's membership meeting on June 15th. Also be sure to let George know if you plan to attend the installation dinner on June 18, at 6 pm at the club.

. Under the Crown Sheet

So we begin a new year as of the first of June. We have new people on the Board of Governors and new faces in our membership. Our "Installation of Officers" dinner is Saturday, June 18th, at 6 p.m. at our clubhouse in the Outlet Mall. Cost is \$10.00 per member and each guest. Each member planning to attend needs to contact George and make payment no later than the end of the general meeting this coming Wednesday, June 15th. I do hope all of you can and will attend.

Also, as it is the beginning of a new fiscal year for the club, your dues are now due. They are \$120.00 per year for senior members and we hope that as many of you as possible will pay the entire amount this month. Other arrangements can be made through our treasurer, Steve Wills.

The Board of Governors is working diligently under the direction of George Lasley to get the marathon moved away from the fairgrounds area the weekend of our November show. It was devastating to us financially last year and potentially more damaging this year.

The show itself is progressing very well and we hope to have more good news as the summer goes by.

Donations are swamping us, but that is a good thing. Please do not go through books, magazines, buildings, boxes of trains, etc., until we have completely inventoried them.

We have arranged for a field trip to Tichy Trains on July 9th. We would like to be able to caravan over, leaving the clubhouse at 10:30 a.m. and arrive in the area in time to get lunch before beginning our tour at 1 p.m. We will return to the mall when the tour is finished. Obviously, as that is a day when the club is open to the public, we will need a few volunteers to stay and operate the clubhouse. If you have been to Don's before or do not have an interest in this event, please volunteer to stay at the club and entertain the public.

We have a lot going on at this time and I am sure I have forgotten something. I will think of it right after you get this newsletter and hopefully retain it until Wednesday night. Please try to attend and don't forget about the dinner on the 18th. We will need some help in setting up after we close the club to the public at 5 p.m.

JR Fisher

Minutes of the Membership Meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:15 PM., 18 May, 2011

Pledge of Allegiance let by Frank Mansfield.

Fred and Barbie Sparks, 1st meeting visitors.

Joe Austin and Franco Venturi voted to Senior Membership.

Treasurer reports we are solvent.

Correction to previous minutes: Don Jennings did not report on the Wilmington event as it had not yet happened.

Train Show report: Same as last month.

Persons to conduct the inventory of club property needed by the end of May.

The slate of officers for the upcoming year, presented previously, was elected by acclamation.

The installation dinner will be June 18 (Saturday) at 6 PM. Southern Delights Bakery will provide the food. Member cost per person is \$10 each with the club picking up the balance. Reservations are to be in by the end of the June General Meeting. Payment is required if a reservation is made even if you are unable to attend.

Scott Hall announced Maker Faire, June 18, Kerr Scott Building, NC State fairgrounds.

Meeting adjourned 7:55 PM

Program on operating the HO layout with DCC followed, presented by Frank Simmons.

Minutes taken by George Lasley.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Governors

J. R. called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM, 6/06/11

Board members present: J.R. Fisher, Joe Johnston, Clif Kelly, Tom Magnani, Frank Simmons and Steve Wills.

Members George Lasley and Don Jennings, and Probationary Member Doug Tomlinson, were present.

George Lasley reported that we have confirmation for 110 tables for the show; somewhat ahead of last year. Most of his mailings have gone out, with a few responses received.

J. R. said that we need for Pete Hansma to print a run of the show's fliers. Bernie Dawson had suggested that we set up a tent at the Fairgrounds' Flea Market the last weekend, Sept. 24 -25, before Flea Market closes for October's State Fair. We would set up a small layout under a tent and distribute fliers for our show.

J. R. reminded the Board and attendees that the dues for the coming year, \$120/year, \$10/month, are now due.

He will ask Bill Oram to install our ceiling fans. No estimate is available as the final cost will depend upon the ceiling attachments and whether or not the fans we have are operable.

The cost of the Club's dinner, scheduled for June 18th and to be held at the Club, is \$10 per person with the club subsidizing the rest of the cost.

Steve Wills reported that our financial position is somewhat ahead of last year. The cash flow associated with the shows do not follow our fiscal year and makes it difficult to do a year-to-year, month-to-month, cash comparison.

J. R. asked if anyone knows the location of, or has, the DVD that WUNC-TV gave him last year to please contact him. Bernie will work with Jerry Davis to create a new video.

J. R. has talked with Don Tichy about a club tour of his factory. After some discussion it was decided, pending confirmation with Don Tichy, to have the trip on Saturday, July 9th. We would leave, in car pools, from the Mall parking lot at 10:30, have lunch near the factory, in Burlington, tour the factory, have an opportunity to purchase kits and parts, and return to the Mall in the late afternoon.

J. R. discussed assigning weekend coverage by the Board for July and August. He is asking the Board members to accept Club coverage for specific weekends. The Board is to get back to him as to their preferences/availability.

J. R. thanked Tom for installing the replacement lavatory faucet.

Steve will be demonstrating the Atlas track software immediately following Wednesday's membership meeting on June 15th.

In response to Don Jennings' question, Steve said that he is working on a master plan for expanding the HO layout. He will present it at the June 15th meeting for discussion and comment.

George reported on a series of emails with the Raleigh city Government and Police. There will be a City Council discussion of the marathon on June 7th at 1 PM. He has also talked with the Flea Market's owner to keep him apprised as to the progress of the discussions.

On a motion by Steve Wills, seconded by J. R., the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 PM.

Minutes by Tom Magnani

Future Events

The club is open every Wednesday, starting about 7:00 p.m. Also on Saturdays at 10 a.m. and Sundays at 1 p.m.

Membership meeting on Wednesday, June 15.

BoG meeting on July TBA

All events at the club site, 1001 Airport Blvd. Suite 120..

For details on how to arrive at the club, check out our website: <http://www.nrvclub.net>

Note from the Editor

Please send articles to me at joe.nrvmrrc@pobox.com. by the Wednesday before the next meeting, so I can do the newsletter on Thursday. Check out our website at: <http://www.nrvclub.net>

Check the [website](#) to see when the club will be opened.

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NEXT REGULAR MEETING - Wednesday, June 15, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: MORRISVILLE OUTLET MALL, 1001 AIRPORT BLVD. Next to Izod

Monday, July TBA, 2011, 7:00 p.m. BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING, at the club at Morrisville Mall.

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