

The Mainline

ALL POINTS NORTH MODEL RAILROAD CLUB

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Side Tracks

Steve Hashagen

Mark your calendars for Saturday the 21st of July!

This is the official dedication of our new home! We will begin the day with our monthly business meeting starting @ 10:00. Around 11:00 -11:30 we will begin the Official building dedication. We will have a few awards, roast a few people and generally have a good time. Anyone can get up and say whatever they like so just let us know you want to say something and have at it. Around noon we will have a barb-b-que (hot dogs and Hamburgers) for members and their families, and around 1:30 we will take our photographs. One photo will be of all Charter members (those members who originally voted on construction of our building three years ago), and the other will be of all current full members as of July 21, 2001. Starting at 2:30 until 8:00 PM we will host an open house for the other clubs and anyone else you would like to invite to see our new home.

This is a day we have been looking for several years so hopefully you will be able to join us for this historic day in APN's history.

If you are a charter member please make every attempt to be at the club for the photo session, as the photo will be mounted on the wall along with a plaque commemorating the dedication of APN!

If you have any questions please give me a call.

Grounds Committee Chairman Needed!

We are in need of a person to fill this extremely important position! The grounds are a mess and we need a person to take charge of the effort to get it under control. Please give me a call if you can help us with this position. I will be more than happy to help you in any way I can.

Thanks!

As long as we are talking about the grounds we need to begin getting it in shape for the up coming Open House on the 21st of July! The Immediate goal beginning Saturday June 30th @ 9:30 am, is to continue

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ALL POINTS NORTH Model Railroad

Club meets the **third** Friday of every month @ 7:30 p.m. at our club located @ 611 S. Magnolia Drive, Conroe, Texas 77301. Visitors and prospective members are always welcome!

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cutting the front of the property and begin cutting the area around the septic and septic spray area as well as close in against the building!

Please plan on helping if you can! We will need a couple of extra lawn mowers and a few weed whackers. If we get several people to help we can be finished in a couple of hours.

We also need to begin clearing the debris from the area between the building and the street when we get a burn barrel.

Video Night is Back @ APN!

Starting in July the second Friday night of the month at 7:00pm will be video night. For those who were not here when we had "Video night" it is held on the second Friday of every month at 7:00 PM. At that time we will run a couple of videos either from our inventory or ones brought by members. The club will supply the popcorn and the sodas are only 25 cents! This is a great time to show us some of your favorite videos and socialize! I look forward to seeing you on the 13th!

Building Maintenance Schedule!

As we discussed and agreed upon at the June meeting we have started a rotating schedule for inside building maintenance. Each month an alphabetical group of 4 will be responsible for keeping the inside o the building clean. The first person on the monthly list is the team leader responsible for seeing the work gets done. If you can't work that month it is your responsibility to trade with someone else. In addition to cleaning the interior the crew is asked to:

- Let the president know of any items that need repair or replacement
- Supply one bag of 30 gallon or better trash bags whether we need them at that time or not (because we will in time)
- Buy any needed cleaning items such as toilet bowl cleaner, paper towels, etc.

The next three months schedules are as follows:

June 2001

Kevin Grandjean Team Leader

Steve Hashagen Mike Kremheller

Scott Kurzawski

July 2001

Miguel Macias Team Leader

Joel Maye

Ray McClure

Robert Miller

August 2001

Joe Osbolt Team Leader

Charles Richmond

Mathew Sell

Will Smith

Future months, (through November 2001) are posted on the club bulletin board for your review.

Calendar of Events

June 2001

30th Grass cutting and weed whacking

of property

July 2001

All month Work on freshening up and

repairing modules and construction

on new ones

Work on grounds and erection of

out building.

13th Video night @ 7:00 PM

21st 10:00 Business meeting, 11:00

Building dedication, 12:00, Barbb-que, 1:30 Charter Members and current member photos,

2:30- 8:00 PM Open House

Wanted Clinics for Future Meetings

We are looking to start having clinics immediately after the monthly meetings. For instance we could have a clinic on weathering rolling stock, using the DCC system, making trees, hand laying turnouts. In short any topic you would like to learn more about. What can you do to help us get started? Either suggest a topic for a clinic or volunteer to host a clinic. Once we get a topic and volunteer we will schedule the first clinic. Hopefully we will be able to schedule our first one at the June meeting!

Happy Birthday!

July 2001

No July Birthdays

August 2001

4thJim Dunnuck24thKevin Grandjean25thJerry Williams

May 2001 Header Photos

I'm not sure who sent in this month's header picture, but it's a picture of the ballast washout in the BNSF line that runs by our club!

On this Day in our History.

Excerpts from past newsletters...

The Mainline March 1999

For the record the officers in 1999 were:

President Steve Hashagen
Vice-President Charlie Richmond
Secretary Randy Andress

Treasurer Jerry Williams

Member-at-Large

David Funk

APN TO BEGIN PHASE 1 OF OUR PERMANENT HOME BY YEAR END

With more than the necessary quorum needed, APN members voted 17 to nothing (of the total membership of 20) to proceed with the search for and purchase of, property for the site of our future club!

We have our work cut out for us over the next 36 to 48 months! I am confident however, that upon completion we will have one of the premier model railroad clubs in the country.

EDITORS NOTE: And We Did!!!!

unanimously. In case you missed the meeting the new policy will be published in the August newsletter and posted on the bulletin board as soon as the revision is made.

APN By-Laws to be Revised and Updated and Presented to the Membership for Approval

A committee was formed to revisit the by laws and revise them for membership approval sometime early this fall. Steve Hashagen will head the committee, and the members include Charlie Richmond, Willie Watts, Jerry Williams, Bob Miller and Jim Dunnuck. If anyone else would like to join the committee please let us now ASAP but no later than the July 21st meeting, as we want to begin work shortly there after.

Club Receives Donation of Computer

Thanks to Bob Miller for his donation of a computer for the office to APN. It's a nice Packard Bell, which should be current enough to use for our bookkeeping, member lists newsletters, etc. Now we need an ink jet or laser printer to go with it, so if anybody is upgrading their printer think of us for your old one. Thanks!!!

New "Member Acceptance Policy" enacted at the June 15th meeting

As promised a vote was taken on the new member acceptance policy and it was amended and passed