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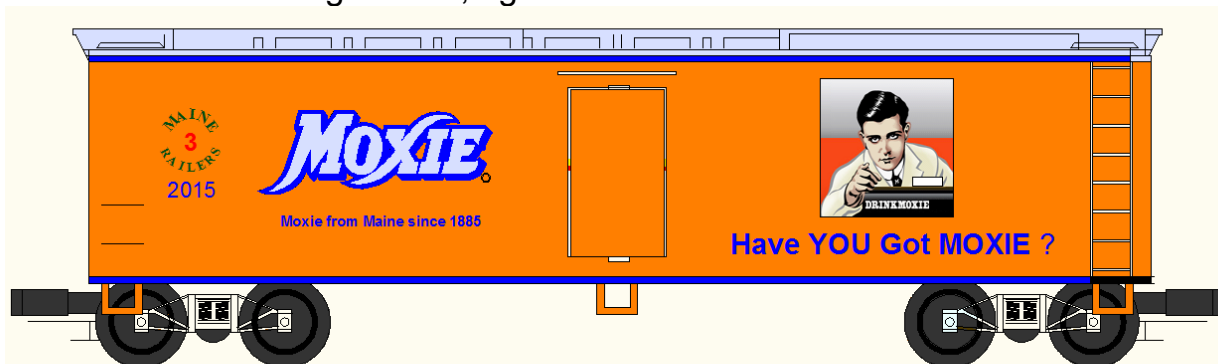
OUR CLUB NEWSLETTER FOR MAY 2015

Hello all,

Our next meeting is set for Thursday, May 14th at 7PM. We'll be meeting at the Richmond Fire Station in Richmond. The address is 7 School St. Richmond. Not far from the Sullivan's home and easy to find. Take a left or right (depending on which direction you are traveling on Main St.) on to School St. and you'll find it. If you become lost, call my cell, showing at the end of this edition.

Meeting topics worth knowing about:

- ***Our 2015 Club Car is in its final design stages.*** Here is a rendering from Jeff Jacobs that presumably will be fairly close to the final product. As before, Weaver Models will be making the car, right here in the USA.



As designed, this is a smart looking car and I'm sure it will sell well to members and other collectors alike, so when it's available, don't hesitate... *And*, we are in discussion with another Maine based business regarding a car for them. Stay tuned, Dana and Jeff have the lowdown on this one...

- ***Conrad Berthiaume is working on designs of a banner or two*** that we would hang at various shows and other events to tell folks who we are. He's come up with a couple of interesting designs. I'm sure he'll have more at the meeting. We also have a rack card in the design stages. These are about 3.5"x8" and are great show handouts. The banners and the cards will help tell our story.
- ***Lionel & the LCCA Convention in July.*** Dana has been in discussion with Lionel; we know where our layout will be located, and we know the size. I'm sure that by the meeting next week, Dana will have the latest info to update us all. I'm sure that this will be an *"all hands on deck"* proposition, with enough work to keep us all busy before and during the convention. *Great exposure for our Club!!!*

In April, We had a great time at Togus, and at the Great Falls Show at Mt. Ararat High School. Here are a couple of pic's of these events. At Togus, the photos only show the layout, as we were prevented from photographing the Vets. Russell Purkey & Ken Thorson brought their extensive collection of military themed cars to Togus. And at the Great Falls show, Sam Carr and Brett Bulmer (via Conrad) get the credit for the photos. *Thanks, to you all for your contributions. More on our website and facebook page.*

Togus –



And Mt. Ararat –



Four happy model train buffs. That's our own Sam Pelletier holding the LCCA boxcar



Lots of action in this shot

On the horizon

- ***Baxter Memorial Library in Gorham*** – This will be our 4th visit. We're in at 7:30AM for set up on Friday the 15th of May. Out on Saturday afternoon, the 16th. More info on timing, etc. at the May meeting and on our website.
- ***National Train Day, usually the second Saturday in May***, has been morphed into *Amtrak Train Days* - www.amtraktraindays.com and at this point, there is no formal plan for celebrating in Maine this year. Amtrak is not coming to Maine, so we are left to our own devices. The "Maine Operation Lifesaver" folks are thinking of doing something at the Brunswick Amtrak station on Saturday, June 20th, so please stay tuned on this one. More info will be forthcoming on this soon.
- ***As mentioned earlier in this edition, we've been asked by Lionel to provide a layout at the upcoming annual LCCA convention this year.*** It's close to home, right down in Danvers, MA. All the details of this opportunity have yet to be worked out, but this one could be a real feather in our cap, *and a lot of work, but good work...* Dana will have an update at the Thursday meeting.
- ***The NETCA (Northern Chapter) have announced plans for their November show.*** This will be their third show, the first two were great successes, so put this one on your calendar, it's set for Sunday, November 8th, in Rochester, NH. The specific information is posted on our website, go there for all the dope and to download the show flyer. Information on table rental is also there. Or, click below for a link to the show flyer:
http://netca.org/pdf/NoNEC_Show_Flyer_Nov_2015.pdf

There are other activities on the schedule and/or in the planning stages so check out the "Upcoming Event's" section of our website to have the latest information.

One last "*attaboy.*" When we began discussions with the Moxie folks, they initially responded with a business relationship model that was untenable for us. Rick Hills met with them, told them what the Maine3Railers were all about and the situation changed rapidly, and for the better. *Thanks Rick...*

That's all for this edition, as always, your feedback, rants, and suggestions are always welcome. And remember to visit our website and our facebook page for all the latest breaking news. *Make it a habit... Whatever we are up to is posted on these two places first. Check 'em out...* www.maine3railers.org & <https://www.facebook.com/maine3railers>

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