

Ozark Garden Railway Society Dispatch

September 2014



August Meeting



meeting started around 5:30 p.m. with a sale and swap meet. Items for sale ranged from rolling stock to accessories. It was also a good opportunity for some members to set and visit while others took in the



members had brought. By the time the business meeting was over, it was starting to get dark and the lights of the miniature buildings brought a whole new perspective to the layout. This was Sherry and Glen's first attempt at having an evening run and it was a success.

The August meeting was hosted by the Carlisle, Schuetzville and Monett Railroad owned by Glen and Sherry Carlisle. Even though it had been a warm August day, the shade and nice breeze made it a very pleasant evening. The



many changes that Glen and Sherry had made to the C.S. & M. R.R. Before the business meeting started, Sherry served hot dogs fresh off the grill which was accented with the many side dishes that other



September Meeting

The OGRS will not be holding a regular club meeting in September. Instead the club will be at the Steam-O-Rama in Republic, Thursday the 11th thru Sunday the 14th. Dennis Rayon will be setting up the layout around 5:00 p.m. the afternoon of Wednesday the 10th. He will need help setting up and running trains during the event. The times are Thursday thru Saturday 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from noon until 4:00 p.m. Dennis will also need help after 4:00 p.m. on Sunday to take down the layout. If you have a train that you would like to run, this event would be a good opportunity.

Things to Remember

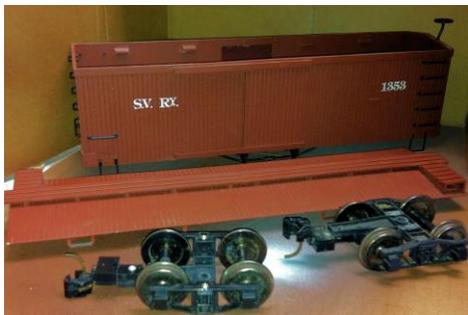
- All back issues of the newsletters beginning November 2010 are archived on the OGRS website. The web address is: '<http://www.ogrs.org>'. Then click on the newsletter archive link.
- If anyone has something to submit to the newsletter such as how to articles, tips, trivia, history of railroading, pictures of your projects, etc. Send email to Glen Carlisle.

Up Coming Meetings

- October 18th – Bill Hickory – Springfield, MO.
- November 8th – Dennis and Martha Rayon – Mt. Vernon, MO.
- December 13th - Christmas Dinner Bois 'D' Arc MO.

Weathering

Some people are happy with just taking a piece of rolling stock or building straight out of the box and adding it to the layout. There is nothing wrong with doing this if that is what you like. However if you are like me, I am not happy with the shiny toy look of new plastic. One simple way to fix this is to spray on a flat clear finish. This removes the shine and gives the building or railcar a more realistic look. By taking away the shine, the railcar will still look like a brand new car just put into service. However, a brand new engine pulling a train made up of brand new cars still does not add much realism to a layout. I am one



that loves the looks of an old weathered building or a piece of rolling stock that looks like it has been around a long time and is well used and even abused. But, having everything weather to this degree is not very realistic either. To achieve a true sense of realism, there must be degrees of weathering ranging from new to very old. If you watch a real train pass, the locomotives and railcars will have various stages of age, rust, dirt and abuse. In this article I will be illustrating how to quickly and easily give a Bachmann boxcar a lightly weathered effect.



There are several methods of weathering using different types of paint, chalk or weathering compounds. For this car I used flat enamel paints and an airbrush. The first thing that I did was remove the roof and the trucks from the body of the car. The parts should be cleaned in soap and warm water and let dry completely.

I thinned the enamel paints 25% with paint thinner so that they will spray through the airbrush. Also, this will make the paint more transparent. The first thing that I painted was the trucks, wheels and the underside of the boxcar using a flat black. This covers the shine of the black plastic and the metal wheels. Next I used a brown that was much darker than the car. This being a wooden boxcar, I airbrushed with the direction of the boards. I covered the whole car with a very thin transparent layer of paint. Just enough paint to take away the shine and tone down the original paint; But, not using enough paint to change the color of the car. This was accomplished with the transparency of the paint and by keeping the airbrush at a distance from the car. I also would randomly move the airbrush closer to add darker areas and streaks giving the appearance that the car's paint is starting to change from exposure to the weather. Looking at the photo, you can see the difference between the left side of the roof and walkway which has been spray and the



right side of the roof which has not been sprayed. I also airbrushed some of this dark brown on the trucks, wheels and underside of the car being careful not to cover all the black. This will give the effect of that the car is starting to get dirty from the different weather conditions it is exposed too. Finally, I mixed enough yellow with some of the brown to create a color that would resemble light rust starting to form. Using a paint brush I highlighted some of the metal details. This was a quick and simple weathering job on this car. However, if you want to spend more time and use a couple more colors you can enhance the weathering effects even further. **Have fun!**



Good Luck and May God Bless

For those who may not have heard, Bob and Jane Newquist have moved to Maricopa Arizona. Bob and Jane are part of the founding members of the OGRS. Anyone who would like to contact them and wish them the best of luck, their new address and phone number is: Bob and Jane Newquist 21405 N. Diamond Dr., Maricopa, AZ 85138-9563. Their home phone is 520 350-1727.

For Sale

Aristo-craft short radius switch brass used RH \$20, excellent condition

Bachmann 1:20.3 2-6-0 mogul (NEW IN BOX), Spectrum Model, Midwest Quarry & Mining \$160

Bachmann 1:20.3 2-8-0 Used, like new Spectrum Model unlettered \$325

Bachmann 1:20.3 0-4-0T Spectrum Model, Midwest Quarry & Mining, used like new \$75

Bachmann 1:20.3 side dump car, new \$35

AMS 1:20.3 box car C&S (NEW IN BOX) (highly detailed, steel wheels) \$90

Kadee Coupler height Gage NEW \$15

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