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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Dave Brown

Two very important peaces of news start this message. First, if you haven't heard, long time member Bob Dennison passed away on Easter Sunday. More on this later on in the news letter. Second, this being May, the meeting will be on the third Saturday this month. With Memorial day weekend the following weekend, this is how we prevent having a ghost crowd on the fourth weekend.

Last month's mini meet was a great success. The only problem was a lack of tables. We don't know where some of the tables disappeared to, but we managed with some people setting up on the chairs around the edge of the hall. People kept coming in through out the two hours that we were open, and it looked like there were quite a few trains that changed hands. Afterwards a few of us went to our new stand out at Zipps Sports Grill on 16th Street and Bethany Home Road. A good weekend.

The theme for this month's show and tell is military trains. So let's see all those proud Army, Navy, Air Force, and the other smaller branches of the armed forces. Also we will have some updates on the shade structure being considered to protect our trailers at Adobe Mountain Park.

Another major task is to appoint a nominating committee for officers for the next two years. As I have said in the past, everyone needs to take their turn running the club as an officer or as a

board member. I won't be running as President this time to make way for some else to take the helm.

The August Beat The Heat bus tour has started up. In a talk I had with Peter Atonna, I learned that we will have quite an advantage over the general public. We will be let out right at the back door of the hall while the general public will have to park some hundreds of feet away with a hill they must traverse to get to the hall. That and with getting in before the public.

PLUS the layout tours will make the bus the best way to go to the meet. (Editor's hint: the bus will make a stop at a set of layouts not on the tour, and not open to the public attending the meet) If you get the lunch, this year it will be something better than just subway. More on this next month. (Yes, this is a tease to make look forward to next month's letter!)

So long for now, hope to see you at the meeting on the 21st. Keep those trains running.

CALENDAR

GCMR meets are held at 9:00am in the Parish Hall of Our Saviors Lutheran Church at 1212 East Glendale Avenue in Phoenix, located on the north side of Glendale, just east of the traffic light at 12th St. It is easily reached off the Glendale Exit of either I-17 or SR 51. Go east from I-17 or west from SR 51 to 12th Street.

May 21 - GCMR meet - Our Saviors Lutheran Church

June 25- GCMR meet - Our Saviors Lutheran Church

July 23 - Cactus Summer Swap Meet, see flyer this issue

August 6 - Beat the Heat Swap Meet, Prescott, see flyer this issue and also the bus trip flyer

MEETING MINUTE3S

No formal meetings were held last month

SUMMER CACTUS UPDATE

Here is some information on the July Cactus Meet from Dave:

- + tables are available now. See the reservation form in this issue.
- + the problem which happened at the January meet where Saturday access to the hall from the East entrance was not allowed has been corrected. Sellers will be able to unload there both Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. Per Dave, it is not sure at this time where you can then park, on the east or west side of the buildings.

BEAT THE HEAT UPDATE

- + As all are probably aware, the meet has a new location and a much larger hall. It will be at the Embry Riddle University Activity Center. Although a bit farther drive, it will be much easier to reach. Just follow the map and be sure to take the Fain Road turn from SR69. You will then be on a freeway until you turn onto Willow Creek Rd. It is then a half mile to the entrances to the show.
- + Please note, there are two parking areas and routes to the show. If you are a seller, take the non-signalized, third entrance and follow the road directly to the hall. You have the adjacent parking lot all to you. If you are coming to the show only, take the first light on Willow Creek and follow that road all the way

around to a series of parking lots. Go to the last lot and then follow the signs to the hall.
+ Now, the really good news, the Bus will be the way to go. You all know of the fun of traveling with a group of your fellow trainiacs. But for this year, there are a couple of extras. First, note on the map, the bus will drop off and pick up from the Vendor's parking lot. You will get off right at the door to the hall. No walking from the Public parking lot. Next, for bus passengers only, there will be two layout visits not on the public's tour. Not telling you which. So, be sure to get your reservation in now, at this time we do not know how many seats there will be on the bus.

FAREWELL: BOB DENNISON

by Dave Brown



It is with great sadness that I must report the passing of Bob Dennison. I first met Bob when I first joined the AT&NM division of TTOS. John Horne, who invited me to the meeting, introduced me to a lot of people that day. So names went in one ear and out the other.

When I got home after the meeting, I got a call from Bob asking me to help with the trailer under construction at that time. (Old big blue) Having no idea who was calling, I said no and hung up. Next I called John Horne to ask him what and who was this Bob Dennison. He filled me in and gave me his number so that I could call him. That's how I got railroaded in on wiring

that trailer. Through out that summer we met at some warehouse over by 19th Avenue

It was hot in that metal oven, and only three of us were there during that time. Somehow we got it wired in time for Railfair that year.

Shortly after it was complete, Bob stopped being President of the Division. I remember the statement when he said not to ask him to run. It was "Please note the mistletoe attached to my coat tails as I walk out the door!" That was Bob.

We stayed in touch and we with Frank Koenig and families became known as the cheap table at the Christmas party. That was because when Peter Atonna reached our table, we would open with the lowest bid possible for the center piece.

At one Christmas party, we practiced bidding from around the table, twice, and when we reached the end, the bid was all of a dollar. Peter was flabbergasted on what happen and after such quick bidding we still maintained our cheap reputation.

Bob was a good friend, even if he had no time for Lionel. If it wasn't American Flyer or standard gauge, he didn't think it was any good, and got rid of it as soon as possible.

So long my friend, hopefully you'll find some standard gauge in heaven that needs your help in repair and repainting.

LOTS OF FOLKS ENJOYED THE MINI-MEET

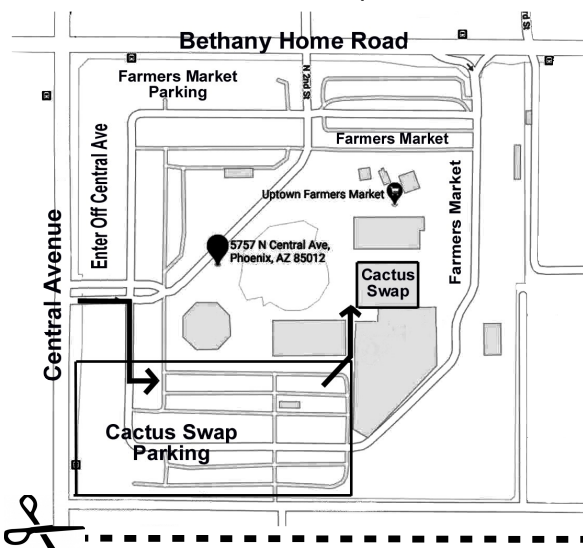


“ONE OF ARIZONA’S LARGEST MODEL RAILROAD SWAP MEETS” CACTUS SUMMER TRAIN SWAP

SATURDAY, JULY 23rd, 2022

SWAP FROM 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

with table top auction at 12:00 noon



NORTH PHOENIX BAPTIST CHURCH FELLOWSHIP CENTER

5757 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85012

**Due to Large Farmers Market restrictions:
Saturday unloading instructions
will be sent prior to the meet**

Presented by your pal, Casey Cactus, and the
GRAND CANYON MODEL RAILROADER

Print legibly. No refunds after July 16, 2022

NOTE: unclaimed tables will be released at 8:00 AM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Security: I will abide with badge identification entrance requirements.
Buying, selling, ethics and behavior: In case of dispute, the Meet Chairperson and/or impartial referee appointed by the Meet Chairperson shall arbitrate the dispute and render a timely decision and I hereby agree to be bound by such decision. **I will not pack until 12:00 PM.** Not responsible for lost or stolen articles.

Signature _____ Date _____

Make check payable to: “**Grand Canyon Model Railroaders**”
Mail to: John Draftz, 1507 W Willow Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85029

or

Credit cards accepted via PayPal - visit www.gcmrr.org

Email: info@gcmrr.org

Info: John Draftz 602-942-3457

\$25 per 8' banquet table

(Bring a table cover, if desired)

How many tables? _____

Amount enclosed? \$ _____

Request? _____

Will you participate in the auction?

Seller? _____ Buyer? _____

Admission Name Badges

1 or 2 tables = 2 badges max.

First and last name please

Badge Name _____

Badge Name _____

3 or 4 tables = 4 badges max.

Badge Name _____

Badge Name _____

More badges available at \$5.00 each

Name Badges **REQUIRED** for your security

MORE THAN 4 TABLES - CALL

IT'S TIME AGAIN FOR THE FANTASTIC
BEAT THE HEAT

SWAP MEET BUS
WITH MULTIPLE LAYOUT TOUR
IN COOL PRESCOTT, AZ (Embry Riddle Univ.)

(Swap meet presented by Central Arizona Model Railroad Club)



SATURDAY, AUGUST 6, 2022

CASEY SAYS: "IF YOU LIKE MY CACTUS SWAPS, YOU'LL **LOVE** MY BUS TOUR"

LET CASEY DO THE DRIVING!



COMFORTABLE DELUXE MOTORCOACH
SAVE ON GAS AND STRESSFUL DRIVING
ON-BOARD VIDEOS AND BOTTLED WATER
ON-BOARD STORAGE FOR PURCHASES
PRIORITY ENTRANCE INTO THE SWAP MEET
MULTIPLE LAYOUT TOUR INCLUDED
OPTIONAL BAG LUNCH WITH BEVERAGE
LUCKY RIDER WINS A DOOR PRIZE

SWAP MEET ENTRANCE FEE INCLUDED!

Of Course I'm Going: _____ Wouldn't Miss It!

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Select Your Pickup Location:

Arizona Mills leave at 6:00 AM _____ Paradise Valley Mall at leave 6:30 AM _____

Metrocenter Mall leave at 7:00 AM _____ Carefree Highway McDonald's leave at 7:15 AM _____

Number of adult GCMR club members: _____ at \$35 each = \$ _____ Bus Trip Presented By: _____

Number of adult Non-GCMR members: _____ at \$40 each = \$ _____

Number of children under 12: _____ at \$15 each = \$ _____

Number of bag lunches (OPTIONAL): _____ at \$12 each = \$ _____

Total: _____ Make checks payable to "GCMR" \$ _____

Mail this form and check to:

Make your reservation early!

Limited Seats Available

David Brown

3534 W. St. Charles Ave.

Phoenix, AZ 85041

(480-650-5336)



All payments required prior to July 30, 2022

No refunds after July 30, 2022



Beat the Heat Model Train Show 2022 & Extravaganza

*Bigger & Better in our new location
Embry Riddle Aeronautical Univ.
3700 Willow Creek Road Prescott, AZ 86301*

Raffle Prizes MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN
Grand prize \$500.00, 2nd prize \$300.00, 3rd prize \$200.00
& other door prizes

Saturday, August 6, 2022 9am - 1pm

***Model Trains, Toys, Accessories
& Display Layouts***

Adults \$5.00 - Children 12 & under Free

Contact: Fred Williams (928)830-5913 or Dick Gage (802)272-1352

Table Reservations, Std. 6' long \$30.00 for the 1st table,
\$20.00 for extra tables paid in advanced

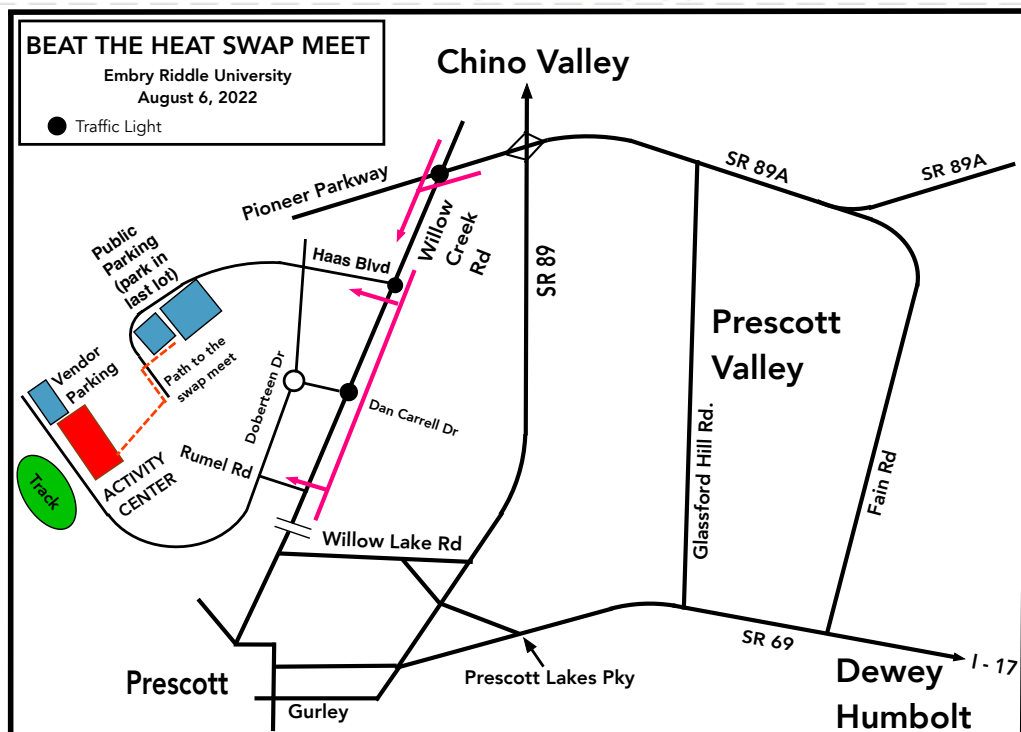
Dealer setup time 7-9 AM NO Early Public Admission

The CAMRRC is NOT responsible for lost or stolen items.

Please Note: face masks recommended, NOT required

Please visit our web site for more info.

www.CAMRRC.com





BEAT THE HEAT 2022

VENDOR APPLICATION

Saturday, August 6, 2022.

The all new Beat the Heat Train Show is bigger and better. We have moved to a new location that is twice the size of our old facility.

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Event Center
3700 Willow Creek Road
Prescott, AZ (see attached maps)

Other changes include – we only have six (6) foot tables so have adjusted our pricing. We are offering upgraded lunches (see below) and there will be a “Hot Dog cart” right outside the door. Dealers have their own unloading area and separate parking lot. We have invited several clubs to bring their traveling train layouts.

NAME: _____

COMPLETE ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

of 6 foot Tables _____ \$30 for the first & \$20 each for additional tables. Total \$ _____

of Lunches _____ X \$12 = Total \$ _____

Helper Names: _____

\$12.00 BOX LUNCH CHOICES – Provided by Flavours by Sodexo at Embry Riddle

Write the number of each lunch in each

QUA

 box below



QUA

Chicken Caesar Wrap
Grilled Chicken Breast,
Chopped Romaine Lettuce,
Parmesan Cheese and Caesar
Dressing in a Flour Tortilla.
Includes Chips, Two Cookies
and Beverage.



QUA

Turkey and Cheddar on Wheat
Thinly Sliced Turkey Breast,
Cheese, tomato and Lettuce on
Wheat Bread. Includes chips, Two
Cookies and Beverage.



QUA

Ham and Cheddar on Wheat
Deli Ham, Cheese, Tomato and
Lettuce on Wheat Bread. Includes
chips, Two Cookies and choice of
Beverage.

**NOTE – Not the actual sandwich as shown, for illustration only. Beverage choices are: Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Ice Tea and Water*

In addition there will be a Hot Dog cart, just outside the doors, serving a variety of dogs, chips and sodas.
Credit Cards only, no cash.

Include this form and your check for the total of tables and lunches.

Make check payable to CAMRRC and mail to:

CAMRRC
Fred Williams
PO Box 25138
Prescott Valley AZ 86312
928-830-5913