



# MARCH 2024



## POTOMAC DIVISION NEWSBRIEF

### What's Coming Up?

Mar. 9, 10am, Hobby Barn, John Gray, Prototype Practice

Mar. 17, 3pm, Virtual Clinic, Ernie Little, Open Modeling Discussion

Mar. 19, 7:30pm, Virtual Board Meeting

Mar. 23, 1-3pm Layout Tours: Sean Hoyden & Cam Green

### What's Coming in The Flyer?

Meet the Member: Deane Mellander, MMR #68; Martin Brechbiel builds a Western Union MoW car; Greg Cassidy discusses Liquid PSA and Gallery Glass; Ernie Little builds a staging yard; Brian Sheron on Digitrax HWNI.

### New Contest Coming

The popular vote contest for our November Joint Meet with James River will be a Square Foot/T-Trak Module Challenge. Details in the next *Flyer*.



### The Flyer Challenge: **Real** Engines



For the first time, we're calling for photos and descriptions of your favorite train engines—real ones,

not models! **Due by March 5th** and sent to: [potomac-flyer@potomac-nmra.org](mailto:potomac-flyer@potomac-nmra.org) Remember we can only use photos you have taken. Time is running out!

### Board Elections Update

Ken Wilson and Jerry Stanley are running unopposed for Asst. Superintendent and Paymaster respectively. We thank them for volunteering. But we still need your votes.

April 1, 2024 - Ballots will be mailed out to those members without email addresses on record.

April 13, 2024 - eVoting will commence.

April 20, 2024 - eVoting will conclude; deadline for receipt of mailed ballots by the Nominations Committee.

### MER Convention Dates Changed

Due to hotel renovations, Piedmont Junction 2024 in Durham, NC has been rescheduled from late September to Oct. 17-20. Room rates have been reduced! Go to: <https://piedmontjunction.cpd13.org/>

### Model Train Stuff (MB Klein) Mystery

First an announcement said Model Train Stuff was closing. But then a notice went up on the company website saying it "*will return. Stay tuned for further details.*"

OK. We're standing by.