

Mark Gionet's Proctor Station



This Sheepscoot Scale Products North Hampton Station might be the first wood craftsman kit I built. I acquired it at a Timonium Train Show many years ago. At that time, I was modeling the 1980s, so I build it as a mini diorama, and it sat on a shelf for decades until my interests and modeling period changed. The Eastern Railroad built the prototype station in the mid to late 1860s. The Boston & Maine Railroad later absorbed it into its Eastern Division. My modeling inspiration is the B&M's Western Route, so I located the station on an imagined branch line that heads north from Dover New Hampshire.

Getting the kit into its new resting place required the elimination of a bit of the old $\frac{1}{4}$ " plywood base and scale carpentry on the wood platform. This created some patches and different aged boards that might represent changes in sidings and the fronting trackage over time. I know a bit more about B&M paint colors and standards now, so the station sign should be white on black and with a different font (fictitious station name notwithstanding.) The overall paint colors and their application might not be exactly correct, but overall, the station is a nice reminder of how long I've been at this. **Mark Gionet**

