

2005 Potomac Division Mini Convention

Reported by John Drye

The Division conducted a successful (albeit slightly smaller) convention on April 30th. In addition to clinics, contests, a white elephant table, lunch and layouts, we accomplished a couple of key items of business.

The new Division Bylaws were adopted, aligning the Division with the current state of NMRA National and the MidEastern Region. We also elected a new slate of Division Officers. Thanks to all who helped pull this off.

Next year, we plan to hold the Division Spring "Mini-Convention" in Maryland, recognizing that we have members on both sides of the Potomac. Details to be published as they become available, but we'll have the same slate of activities as our usual event.

Achievement News by Ed Price and Bill Roman, Photos by John Griffith.

Model Contest Award Winners

AP judging. AP Merit Award winners are noted with an "*"

Traction



Martin's Trolley -- Combine

1st Place, Trolley – Combine, Martin Brechbiel; 2nd Place, CG&W Freight Motor, Martin Brechbiel; 3rd Place, Freight Motor, Horace Oliver.

Freight Car

1st Place, EBT 2 Bay Hopper *, John Griffith; 2nd Place, V&W Caboose *, Doug Kirkpatrick; 3rd Place, 2 Dome Tank Car, Robert Thomas.



John's EBT 2 bay hopper



Martin's Pickle Plant

Structure

1st Place, Pickle Plant *, Martin Brechbiel; 2nd Place, Substation *, Charles Day; 3rd Place, Traction Hose Jumper, Robert Thomas.

Display

1st Place, Warehouse, Charles Day.



Charles' Warehouse

Popular Vote Award Winners



Martin's CG&W Freight Motor

Traction

1st Place, Trolley – Combine, Martin Brechbiel;
2nd Place, CG&W Freight Motor, Martin Brechbiel;
3rd Place, Freight Motor, Horace Oliver.

Freight Car

1st Place, EBT 2 Bay Hopper, John Griffith; 1st Place, 2 Dome Tank Car, Robert Thomas.



Robert's 3 Dome Tank Car



Doug's Caboose

Caboose

1st Place, V&W Caboose, Doug Kirkpatrick.

Structure

1st Place, Pickle Plant, Martin Brechbiel; 2nd Place, Substation Charles Day.



Charles' Substation



Martin's CVRR Train

Favorite Train

1st Place, CVRR Train, Martin Brechbiel; 2nd Place, Passenger Train, Doug Kirkpatrick.

Young Modeler

1st Place, Warhammer Figures, Zack Andersen



Zack's Warhammer Figures