

Minutes

James McGuffick called our breakfast meeting at Twin Pines Diner to order at 1045 following breakfast. There were 19 crew in attendance.

James reviewed the current details for the April conference, which still need to be finalized. It was decided that the raffle prizes would be a Ultimation Sander with Duplicator and a model of the Charles W. Morgan. "Giveaways" for the conference were also discussed, and are to be finalized at our January 13, 2024 meeting. James has already contacted several potential vendors for the conference.

Dave Dinan and James handed out the new Club Polo shirts. Dave did a wonderful job fulfilling this task and without a doubt gets an "E" with 3 slashes!!

A moment of silence was then observed for the December 7, 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor.

We had to "abandon ship" by 1130 per request from Twin Pines Diner and time was running short, so James concluded the business meeting at 1100 to assure there would be time for "show and tell".

To all, from the officers of CMMS, a belated Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, wishing everyone and their families healthy, happy and smooth sailing for 2024.

Respectfully Submitted:

Rick Abramson, Secretary

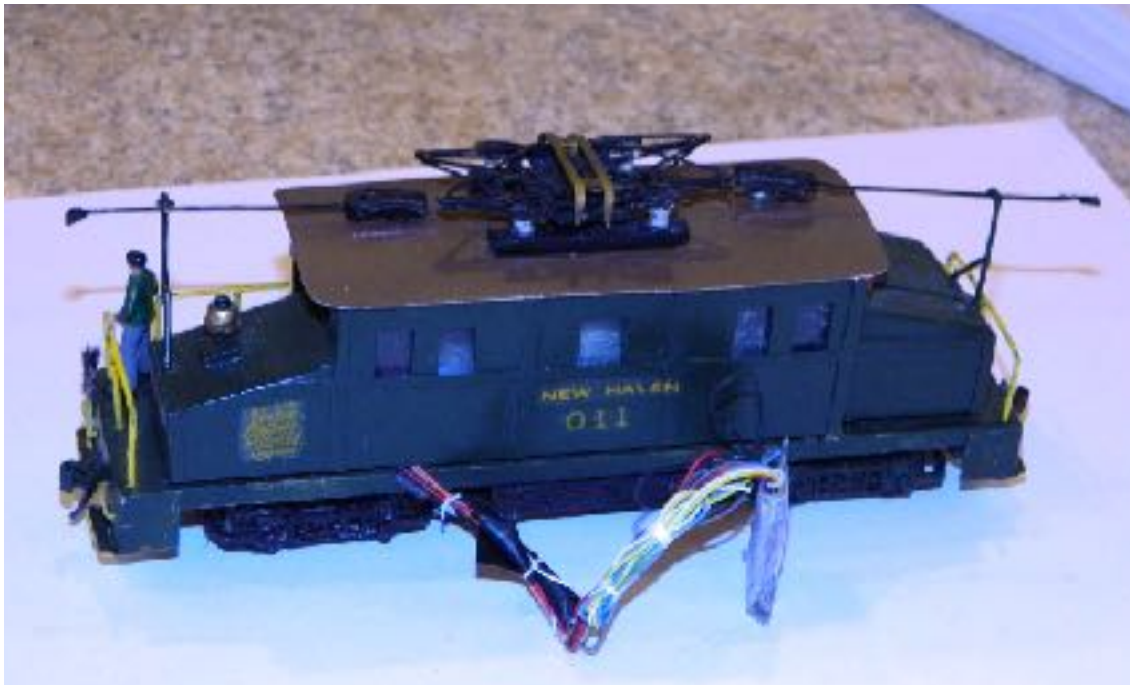
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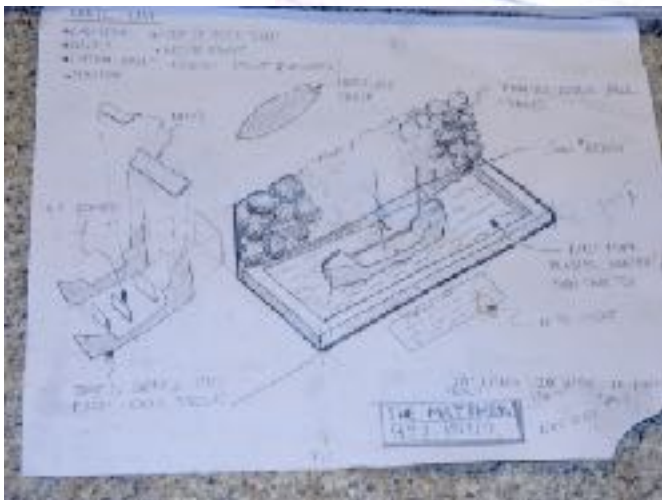
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Electric Switcher - Howard Williams

Howard Williams: Scratch-built HO scale electric switcher ca 1911 used by the Connecticut Co. The prototype was sold to DC Transit and was scrapped in 1955.



Matthew - Gabriel Williams

Gabriel Williams (11 yrs): The vessel is a scratch-built model of the *Matthew* - a caravel - the ship John Cabot sailed on in 1497 when he discovered New Newfoundland. The drawing was done by Grandpa Howard Williams.



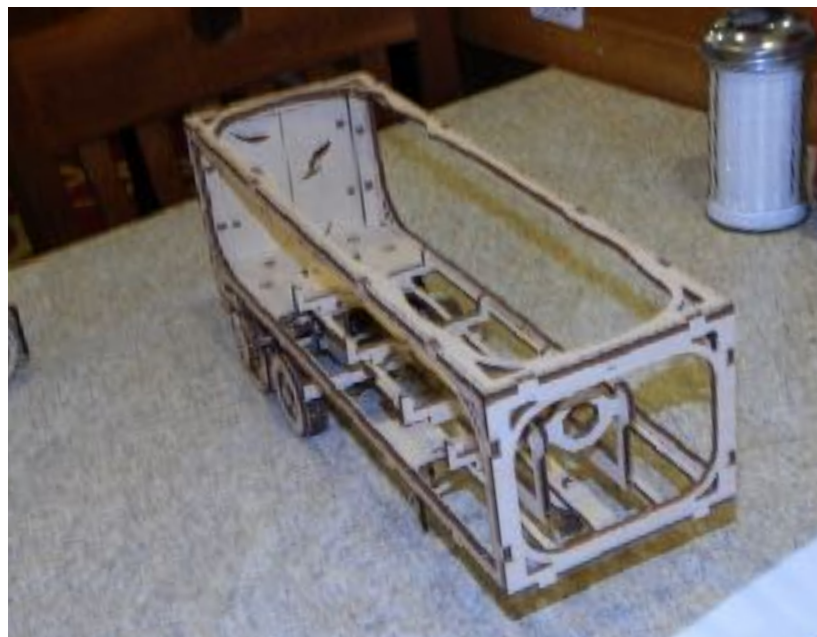
Arabella in West Cove

Justin Camarata: Shared a oil painting he did on board that shows the *Arabella* sailing in West Cove.



USS S-48 - Rick Abramson

Rick Abramson: Scratch-built model of the USS S-48 by the late Lou Chagnon. The prototype was built by Simon Lake in Bridgeport, CT.



U-Gears Model Tractor/Trailer - John Elwood

John Elwood: U-Gears Model, 3-D puzzle of fully operating tractor/trailer.



a)



b)

Models Made by Ray LeClair - James McGuffick's Grandson:

Ray LeClair: James McGuffick's grandson Ray built these models when he was 12 years old: **a)** Tamiya 1/20 scale '93 Indy Car World Cup Series, Newman Haas LoLa T93/00 Ford. The real vehicle sold at auction for \$995,000.00. Hopefully, the model cost considerably less!; **b)** Monogram 1/24 scale Datsun pick-up off-road racer.



1860's Signal Cannon

Fred Kerson: 1860's signal cannon, which Fred thought might also be a child's toy that could be fired. Hopefully, it wasn't aimed at anyone.



Back Row Left-Right: Pete Carlin, John Fisher, Dave Dinan, James McGuffick, Bob Siegler, Justin Camarata, Al Saubermann, Dave Varholy, Mike Jantsch, Rob Szczepanski, Tom Linton.

Front Row Left-Right: Howard Williams & Gabe Williams, Rick Abramson, Fred Kerson, Ed Petrucci, John Adrian Sr, John Elwood, Tom Szabo.

Next CMMS Meeting

January 13, 2024

at

Christ and the Epiphany Church

East Haven

from

10 am to 12 pm