



A VIEW FROM THE CAB

I don't intend to jinx the situation with the weather. It has certainly been a very mild winter so far. I have noticed a slight improvement in our number of visitors lately at the club.

The Preston Show went very well according to reports from Chris Karr and several others who were there. Since then, we have also displayed our larger O gauge modular layout at Seaford, and the setup there has convinced me that we need to organize ourselves better to eliminate the likelihood of missing crucial items needed for the operation of the layout. So I will undertake to make a few changes so that we know what goes in the trailer each time we pack up, and what goes back to the club house, if anything.

We are coming into our next major fundraiser, and materials about the "Quarter Auction" scheduled for March 21st will be going out soon. We need items for the auction to be brought to the club on or prior to our March 8th meeting.

We continue to receive generous donations of train equipment and other related materials to sell at our club house. In the past week or so, two layouts have been sold that yielded over \$1,600 to our bank account. Our team is capable of building any layout in any gauge, large or small. It can be fully detailed, or simply track properly installed on a well-constructed table with permanent or folding legs. The options are totally customized to meet the needs of the railroader.

And there is another HO home layout coming our way in the form of a donation, whose owner was kind enough to tell his family where his trains were to go when he passed. These donations allow us to continue our mission: "To promote and support the hobby of model railroading and appreciation of Toy Trains".

Our team of builders will soon start construction on another O Gauge display: A second Thomas the Train layout. With our current Thomas layout being too large to fit into the elevator at the Georgetown Library, we wanted to make sure that next year we can still provide that featured layout for the kids to enjoy over the holidays this coming winter.

John Hodges

QUARTER AUCTION ITEMS YOU CAN WIN March 21



SEAFORD TRAIN SHOW 2023



Emptying the trailer



Sadly, I just checked our Facebook page and saw that only 3 persons shared this with their friends. We need, actually **MUST** do better than that. Last year we netted almost \$2,000 from this event. We can only better that **IF** you share this with your friends and community. I know your friends would like to support the Delaware Seaside Railroad Club, but **YOU** have to show them how. You must share this today and tomorrow.

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