



A VIEW FROM THE CAB

Another summer month is gone and we are naturally dealing with very congested roadways while our local population expands at this time of year.

With fewer walkers than we would normally use for our parade entry, our Thomas The Tank Engine trailer with it's new paint scheme, and updated interior with fresh scenery, looked great and received many ovations throughout the route. And, as is often the case, several families with small kids have visited the club using their "Free Passs".

We have been informed that the contract for the sale of the property on which our building sits has fallen through. The property is back on the market, and we have already opened up our building for a walk through by another potential buyer. So, the news on that front will be quiet for now. We are expecting a reply to our offer to the owner to extend the years of our lease.

An idea that came from member Samantha to assemble a listing of emergency contacts for all of our volunteers. I agreed this idea was important and we are in the process of getting as many Contacts as possible. We have it stored at the club in the red file drawer where we also keep copies of our various forms, etc. We continue to solicitate this information so the list can be up to date. If you have not already done so, please send your emergency contact name(s) and phone number(s) to Frank Parrino by email at fparrino@verizon.net

Finally, we are assembling a committee to arrange and operate our eBay sales efforts. If you want to volunteer for this effort, please contact me at jchodges46@verizon.net.

John Hodges



The Mt. Washington Cog Railway

CLIMBING TO THE TOP OF NEW ENGLAND, SINCE 1869

Here is "Ammonoosuc", a coal fired steam engine, built in 1875, beginning its ascent to the summit of Mt. Washington, New Hampshire, elevation 6,288 ft. A cog railway can climb very steep grades because it is gear driven with a toothed wheel on the engine that engages with the rack rail in the center of the track. The Jacobs Ladder section of the railway is the steepest with a grade of 37.4%. The summit is renowned as the home of the worst weather on earth, with hurricane strength winds averaging 110 days per year. However, on clear days the view from the summit is spectacular, from southern Quebec to the Atlantic Ocean, 90 miles away. A must-see attraction when you are visiting the White Mountains of New Hampshire. The Cog Railway is located very near to the famous Mt. Wasington Hotel in Bretton Woods. For more information , please visit www.thecog.com.

Upcoming Events of the Delaware Seaside Railroad Club

Rods to Rails Car Cruise

On Saturday August 23rd, the DSRC invites all owners of classic, vintage, antique cars, or hot rods to bring your car to the Clubhouse Parking Lot for our first *Rods to Rails Car Cruise*. This is entirely a fun event designed to show off your car, meet new friends, and see the model trains running in the DSRC Museum. The event runs from 10:00 am to 2:00 p.m. and there is no registration fee or judging, just a fun event for the entire family. Pre-registration is not required and for more information please contact Samantha by e-mail at jeepgirl21813@yahoo.com.



Train Load Yard Sale



The 13th edition of our ever-popular Train-Load Yard Sale will occur at our Clubhouse on Saturday, August 30th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. This indoor and outdoor event features everything for the model railroader: engines, rolling stock, track, transformers, buildings and complete ready-to-run layouts in all gauges will be offered for sale by the Delaware Seaside Railroad Club and many independent vendors. The DSRC will feature its large inventory of Z-scale and G-gauge model trains and diecast cars and trucks, most in new-old stock unused condition. The Club's four major interactive operating displays will be running throughout the sale for your viewing enjoyment. This event is sure to be an exciting day for all model train and diecast car enthusiasts. There is no charge for Guests or Vendors. However, vendors that would like to display their model train items for sale do need to bring their own tables, chairs, and pop-up canopies or umbrellas if desired. If you are interested in selling at this event, please contact Skip @ chessietrain@comcast.net or John @ jhodes46@verizon.net to register as a vendor.

DSRC Archives: Preserving Our History

The Delaware Seaside Railroad Club was founded in February 2004 and we are now in our 21st year. Twenty-one years ago this month the DSRC was looking forward to their August picnic and planning to place an HO layout at the Historic Georgetown Railroad Station. To preserve the history of our Club, Dave Lawrence and Chris Karr have embarked upon a project to assemble archives of our Newsletters, Meeting Minutes, and selected other documents in both printed and digital format. The digital versions will be stored on Windows thumb drives employing pdf files. As technologies change the plan is to update the digital portion to whatever new storage format becomes popular. Duplicate copies stored in different locations along with a Cloud backup via our website are being created. More information on this project will be presented at our August 13th Members Meeting.