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A VIEW FROM THE CAB

And now the real fun starts!

As they used to say in the old days, ..." Our Dance Card is Full!" The coming weeks will see our club moving and setting up nine layouts before Thanksgiving. With four of those going to the Georgetown Public Library, 3 going to the Dockside Hall at the Ocean City Convention Center for our Eastern Shore Train, Toy, and Hobby Show, and the L shaped "S" gauge and the 16-foot "HO" layouts from the clubhouse going to the Winterfest of Lights at OC's Northside Park. Those three layouts going to the OC show include a newly constructed 4' by 9' "HO" layout, a 4' x 8' "O" gauge John Deere themed Lionel layout with two trains running, and the Thomas the Tank Engine layout which is being borrowed from the club house. The set-up of these layouts will be spread out over several days and that schedule is coming together now.

The setup date for Georgetown is scheduled for Nov. 20th starting at 9:30 am. We will be setting up at Northside Park sometime around Nov. 15th to 18th, with the exact date and time to be established very soon as the Winterfest display opens to the public on Nov. 20th.

And we will set up at Dockside Hall for the show on Wednesday the 26th, the day before Thanksgiving. The tables for vendors at the show will be set up by the OCCC staff. This will be a quick setup as all three of the layouts are on a single table. At the same time, we will also set up the entry/admissions table and crowd control points.

Our ebay store is up and running very well. We have sold over \$3,500 worth of donated merchandise, and the packing and shipping team is working on a very timely basis. So far, we have received very good reviews from our ebay clients.

Our "G" scale team has installed their tables and is moving forward with the next phase of construction which is to lay the track plan and start getting track connected. The layout looks more impressive as the tables are higher to make working a little easier.

We have a planning meeting set for Nov. 5th to get the most up to date information about the Ocean City events and to get our volunteer sign-ups started. Our regular Monthly meeting will still be Nov. 12th at 6 PM, but you are invited to attend the Nov. 5th meeting at 5:30 pm if you wish. As was the case last year, we will close the club on Saturday the 29th of November while the show is going on.

Together, we will present a great set of displays for our visitors in the coming weeks

John Hodges



Happy Thanksgiving!



The First Thanksgiving 1621, Jean Leon Gerome Ferris (1899)

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Holiday Roundup of the Delaware Seaside Railroad Club's Model Train Displays and the Train Show





There will be numerous model train displays housed in climate-controlled sheds inside the Winterfest of Lights. Tickets are required for Winterfest public admission; donations collected at the model train displays support the Ocean City Beach Patrol & DSRC.

Eastern Shore Train, Toy & Hobby Show



The 2nd Annual Edition of the Eastern Shore Train, Toy, and Hobby Show takes place at The Ocean City, Maryland Convention Center on November 28-30, 2025. This exciting three-day show and sale is produced in conjunction with Ocean City, Maryland's Holiday Shoppers Fair, and in collaboration with the Ocean City Beach Patrol.



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Georgetown Public Library Holiday Train Display



The 14th Annual Georgetown Public Library Model Train Display opens to the public on Saturday, November 29th for a run of four consecutive Saturdays, concluding on December 20th. The displays are open from 10:00 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. In addition, on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the Holiday season, the displays will be operated for prearranged tour groups of elementary school children and senior citizen organizations.



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