



## A VIEW FROM THE CAB

Three wonderful things are going to happen this month of September, the summer crowds and accompanying traffic are going away, and the Millsboro Northern Bypass will open. I for one am really looking forward to both of these things as they will make my 45-minute commute to the club house much easier, and maybe faster. Finally, we host our Indian Summer Train Show in Ocean View on Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup>. Should be a fun month.

With Labor Day weekend now over, we have also wrapped up our second Model Train Yard Sale event for 2025. I don't have actual figures yet on our net proceeds, but I know the traffic in our parking lot and the club house was steady for three and a half hours, and we had 11 vendors outside. I know also that we sold a large slice of our Diecast vehicle inventory. By now we had hoped to have the eBay store officially open, but some extra documentation requested by the eBay administrator is being provided so we should be active by the second week of September.

This time of year, we normally look at building a small layout to offer for sale at our Ocean City Holiday Show at the end of November. Doc says he wants to make it a 4 ft by 8 ft layout, because that size is much easier to sell. We will discuss the gauge and start of the construction very soon.

Plans are underway to consolidate the amount of diecast merchandise that we display for sale, so we can turn the area back over to the G-Gauge Team so that they can start to rebuild their display. We look forward to that plan getting underway very soon.

Our Traveling Thomas the Tank Engine layout tour of local libraries was so successful that we have been asked to start it again when the schools go back in session. That plan will start with Millsboro Library in October, and we'll see where it goes after a few weeks at that location.

*John Hodges*



## ***Pennsylvania Railroad GG-1***

**POWER, SPEED, ART DECO DESIGN, AND LONGEVITY**

In 1915 the PRR launched a program which resulted in the electrification of its entire main and branch line network in the Northeast Corridor by 1935. By 1930 it was clear that a new higher-powered locomotive was needed to replace the "boxcab" P5's to lead modern streamlined passenger trains between New York and Washington at speeds of up to 100 mph. The General Electric two section frame design which allowed for higher speeds on curves was selected from a design competition with Westinghouse. Fifteen GG-1 locomotives were produced by General Electric and the balance of 124 were manufactured by the PRR Altoona Works. The shell design was crafted by famed industrial designer Raymond Loewy. The GG-1 was a true workhorse, pulling both passenger and freight trains for nearly 50 years, for the PRR and successors, Penn Central, Conrail, and Amtrak. The last GG-1 in service was retired by New Jersey Transit in 1983,

# Summer Fun at the Delaware Seaside Railroad Club

## Rods to Rails Car Cruise

On Saturday August 23<sup>rd</sup>, a large contingent of classic cars, hot rods, and enthusiasts convened in the parking lot of the DSRC for our first *Rods to Rails Car Cruise*. This family fun event was designed to show off classic cars, meet new friends, and see the model trains running in the DSRC Museum. Thanks to Samantha for organizing this fun event.



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## Train Load Yard Sale



Good friends, good trains, and great weather! The 13<sup>th</sup> edition of our ever-popular Train-Load Yard Sale took place at our Clubhouse on Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup>. The event was a great fundraising success for the DSRC and the proceeds will be used to defray operating expenses of our Clubhouse and keep the Museum open to the public free of charge two days per week year-round. Just as we experienced in the Spring, sales of diecast cars and trucks “drove” the revenue. Thanks to everyone who attended and supported our Club’s Mission.

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## Upcoming Events of the DSRC

### ***Indian Summer Train & Toy Show***

Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at the Hope Center in Ocen View, Delaware

### ***Eastern Shore Train & Toy Show***

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> at the Roland E. Powell Convention Center in Ocean City, Maryland