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## **MAY EVENT (DATE CHANGE)**

The next Little Rhody Division event is scheduled for **Saturday, May 13th** at the Providence Northern Model Railroad Club located at 1175 West Shore Road (Route 117), Warwick, RI 02889. Signage on the building says "Old Warwick Grange".

Donuts, coffee and socializing will begin at **9:30 AM**, followed by a brief meeting at **10 AM**. Then, it's on to viewing the layout and running trains. If you have an HO-scale engine with DCC that you would like to run on the layout, bring it with you.

Lunch will be on your own this month. Spouses and guests are always welcome.

Note that there are two hobby shops nearby that you may want to visit on your way home: *AA Hobbies*, at 655 Jefferson Blvd, and *Apponaug Color & Hobby Shop*, at 1364 Greenwich Ave., both in Warwick.

## **Providence Northern Model Railroad Club (PNMRC)**

The PNMRC is an HO-scale model railroad established in 1992. The original layout was organized and built at 95 Hathaway St in Providence, where it remained until August 2006. The club obtained space in

the Old Warwick Grange and began construction on the current layout in 2007.

The layout represents a double-track Class 1 railroad running between New Haven, CT and Maybrook, NY to Montreal, Canada. The modeled portion is from Providence, RI to White River Junction, VT. At White River Junction, the double-track mainline to Montreal heads to staging and a modeled portion represents a single-track line to St. Johnsbury, VT, Berlin, NH and Rumford, ME. The club was able to salvage the Rumford Paper Mill and the St. Johnsbury staging yard from the old layout and has incorporated them into the new layout.

In the last year, the area of Blackstone, MA has gone from planning to almost completion. The town of Gardner, MA has also been completed. Many areas have had scenery installed with a 30-foot photo backdrop.

Any member that would like to run a engine they own that has DCC will be allowed to do so.

For more information on the PNMRC, visit [www.ProvidenceNorthern.com](http://www.ProvidenceNorthern.com).

### **OTHER NEWS**

- The *Rails to the Gilded Age* convention committee will hold their next meeting at the convention hotel, The Atlantic Resort Hotel and Conference Center, 240 Aquidneck Ave, Middletown, RI 02842, on **Sunday, May 7th at Noon**. Anyone interested in helping with the planning for this event is welcome to attend. Contact Steve Erickson at [xxxx@gmail.com](mailto:xxxx@gmail.com) if you plan to attend.
- Our June Little Rhody Division event will be our Annual Dinner Meeting and Election on **Wednesday, June 14th** at Chelo's at 2225 Post Road, Warwick, RI 02886. Details will be available soon.

As always, please contact me with any questions or issues. Also, we are always in search of topics of interest for future meetings. If you want to learn more on a specific topic, just let me know.

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