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JULY EVENT

This event will take place virtually, using *Zoom*, on **Saturday, July 11th**. You should plan to download the *Zoom* application in advance so you are ready to go. Feel free to contact me with any questions. A link to the meeting and its password, along with further instructions, will be e-mailed to you a few days before the event. We are looking forward to seeing you.

We will begin with virtual coffee and donuts accompanied by socializing at **9:30 AM**, followed by information sharing and a short business meeting at about **10 AM**. The first clinic will depart the station at **10:10 AM**, or thereabouts. Mics will remain open for socializing between planned activities. We plan to wrap up at about **1 PM**, following a break for lunch and our third clinic.

Clinic #1: "Chasing the Old and the New - Featuring the CapeFLYER & the FL9Ms"

First up will be **Doug Scott**, of the HUB Division.

Doug will take us on a photographic journey following the CapeFLYER from Boston to Wareham to Hyannis, and chasing the privately-owned New Haven FL9Ms #2011 and #2026 in service on the Cape Cod Central Railroad Coastal

Excursion and Dinner Trains. The emphasis will be on the West Barnstable Station area as well as the Cape Cod Canal. Also included will be scenes from Hyannis to the canal and down the Falmouth Branch as far as Pocasset. This was filmed during the summer of 2019 and will be set to music so we can sit back, relax and enjoy.

Clinic #2: "Railway Cartoons from the Old Days"

Our second presentation will be by **George Landow**, LRD Director and Professor of English and Art History Emeritus at Brown University. He is a leading authority on Victorian literature, art, and culture.

From the first days of the British railways cartoons, jokes, and satiric poems about them appeared in newspapers and magazines like the British weekly *Punch*. The subjects of these often funny cartoons include railroad safety (or the lack of it), corrupt and dishonest management, and the way railways change society. We see what happens when strangers — especially men and women who do not know one another — are forced to sit together in a railway carriage. Cigar smoking, women's big skirts, and annoying railway staff appear in many cartoons as do lots of British snobbery. Occasionally, because railways have so rapidly become part of everyday life, political editorial cartoons use the locomotives and turnouts to make their points (pun intended).

Clinic #3: "A Virtual Tour of Tom Emmett's HO-scale Layout"

After a break for lunch, our last presentation will be by **Tom Emmett**, LRD Director-at-Large.

Tom's layout is approximately 10 x 30 ft. It is a single-line continuous-run layout that hosts a Class 1 railroad (either Canadian National, Chicago Burlington & Quincy or Chicago & North Western) that interchanges with a freelanced short line, the North Bay Railroad (NBRR), to service customers. The time frame is mostly the late 1970's and early 1980's, with first and second generation diesel locomotives in use.

SUMMER PICNIC

The picnic has been **cancelled** due to concerns for COVID-19. The Wlochowski's have extended their invitation to a date in 2021.

FUTURE EVENTS

August

ANNUAL BOD PLANNING MEETING on Saturday, August 1st. Let us know what you would like us to include in next year's programs. Clinic topics, speakers, field trips, etc. Call or e-mail me with your ideas.

Saturday, August 15th via Zoom. Annual Meeting (we will vote on amending the ByLaws) with clinics, virtually. Details on clinics to follow.

September

Saturday, September 12th at Cumberland Public Library, Diamond Hill Road, Cumberland, RI. A regular monthly meeting open to the public. Our *Rhode Island and Old Colony* N-scale T-TRAK layout,

David Kiley's G-scale *Hogwarts Express*, and *The Polar Express* will be on display for the public to view.

As always, please contact me with any questions or issues. If I don't know the answer, I will pass it to someone who can. Also, if you have any suggestions for future events, please let me know.

Stay well,
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