

NEWSLETTER

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When attending a Membership meeting please enter through the weave room entrance, there will be a sign. Walk through the weave room to the elevator and onto the second floor. This is a National Park security rule and the Society has to abide by it. — Buddy Winiarz, President

B&MRRHS CALENDAR

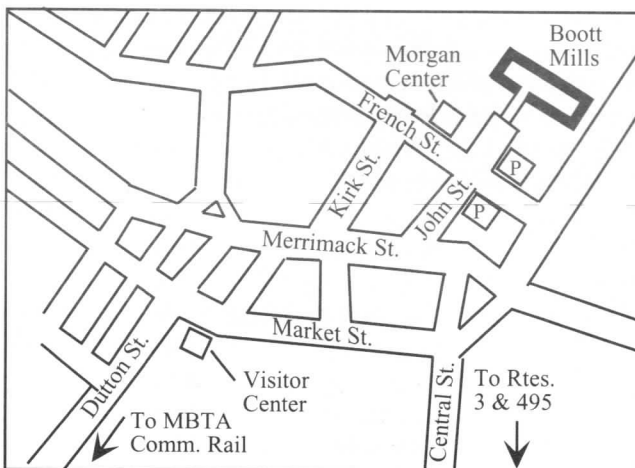
Meetings commence at 3:30 pm on the second Saturday at Boott Mill unless otherwise indicated.

- MAY 8** **B&M#3713** with Ellis Walker.
- JUNE 12** **Open House** in the combine on Dutton St. from 1 - 4PM for the Membership
- JULY 23 - 25** **No meeting** Lowell Folk Festival
- AUGUST** **No Meeting** Vacation.
- SEPTEMBER** **No Meeting** We will be taking a trip on the Wilton Scenic Railroad in Wilton, NH. The cost for the ride on the Budd RDC's is \$10.00 if we book and prepay by August 21, 2004. If you want to go and do not sign up before hand it will be \$12.00 the day of the trip, pending room on board. A flyer will be enclosed in this Newsletter or the July August issue. There are fares for Children (5yrs. and under) and Youths (6 to 12).

DIRECTIONS TO THE LOWELL MEETING PLACE

At the traffic light near the Mogan Center, take a right or left depending on which way you come down French St., go past the little guard shack (Parking lot is on right-Boarding House Park is to the left), Walk over the trolley tracks and bridge, into the courtyard, bear to the right and go to the end. The doorway will be lighted. Also look for signs.

VISITORS MUST PARK IN THE LOT ON FRENCH STREET-NO PARKING IS ALLOWED IN THE COURTYARD.



NEXT ISSUE

The deadline for the *July-August* Newsletter is **June 4th**. Please send all items to the Newsletter address or E-mail. News items, especially local items not likely to be reported in Boston, will be greatly appreciated.

MEMBER INFORMATION

Newsletter

Correspondence concerning the Newsletter can be sent to either

The address on page I
or emailed to:

Bmrrhs@ix.netcom.com

All Other Correspondence goes to the following address (or by email) including catalog orders, correspondence with the Board of Directors, Archives, Historian, or Bulletin.

B&MRRHS, P.O. 469, Derry, NH 03038 or
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In all instances involving money DO NOT send cash as the society will not be held responsible for if lost.

Make checks, etc. payable to **B&MRRHS**

Address Change: if you change your address please let the Society know by mail or email. When you do not let us know, it costs extra for postage: first mailing, returned postage and second mailing, i.e., three mailing costs to one person.

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- Please renew your membership within the ninety-day renewal period or you will be deleted from the membership list.
- All renewing members are provided a preaddressed renewal envelope, containing your membership data on the flap.

Please **DO NOT** over tape the flap.

- Write any address changes on an additional piece of paper and include within the renewal envelope
- Payment is by check or money order ONLY... please do not send cash. You may pay by cash if you attend a Membership meeting or train show at which the society has a presence.
- If you do not get society publications after renewing contact the society at the address below.
- Prior to moving, please notify the society to insure continued receipt of society publications, etc. Failure to do so requires additional expenditures to have returned mail forwarded to you if your new address becomes known.
- A RED DOT on your address label indicates that this is the last item you will receive from the Society, as you have not renewed within the allotted timeframe.
- All questions regarding your membership should be addressed to:

Membership

c/o B&MRRHS, PO Box 469
Derry, N.H. 03038

Buddy Winiarz, Membership Sec.

B&MRRHS Membership Dues

All values in US dollars. Dues are payable by check, money order, postal money order or cash. Sorry, but we are unable to accept charges. Please allow 4 to 6 weeks for processing.

Please send membership requests to:

B&MRRHS - Membership
PO Box 9116
Lowell, MA 01852-9116

Basic	\$30
Basic & Spouse	\$32
Contributing	\$35
Canada & Overseas	\$50
Sustaining	\$50
Supporting	\$75
Benefactor	\$100
Corporate	\$500

Newsletter Editor Needed

Our Newsletter Editor, Pat Abegg has stepped down from the position due to personnel circumstances. The Board of Directors accepted his resignation with regret.

The position is open to all members of the B&MRRHS in good standing who wish to apply. We hope to have an Editor for the Sept/Oct issue.

At the present time our "layout/camera ready" man, Bob Warren and myself, "interim editors" are working to put out the Newsletter. Please bear with Bob and I.

All applications may be sent to the Societies PO Box in Derry, NH, attention BOD. Deadline will be August 1st.

The E-mail (bmrhsgix.netcom.com) and PO Box in Gloucester is no longer open for Newsletter use.

Buddy Winiarz, President

Welcome aboard to our new members from December 2003 to March 2004.

Glenn Annis	VT	Frank Luczak	CT
Paul Carver	CT	Joe Marano	NY
James Costello	MA	Thomas Michalowski	MA
Stephen DePaola	MA	Gerard Morin	Canada
Bill Dulmaine	MA	Dave Murphy	MA
Joe English	MA	Gary Peters	CT
Brian Fons	ME	Charles Pratt	NH
Richard Gorman	ME	Stephen Pronovast	MA
Karl Henderson	CT	Gary SanAntonio	NH
Ronald High	MA	Charles Schneider	PA
William Keay	MA	Randy Toops	MA
George Kenson	MA	Jonathan Wells	ME
Don LaPlante	MA		

Company Business

January 2004

Buddy Winiarz took us through New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts and Vermont. Along abandoned Boston and Maine trackage, the St. Lawrence & Atlantic, Amtrak, Claremont & Concord, NS, CSX, GRS, MBTA (MBCR), and scenes from the Boston & Maine from 1918 to the 1970's.

February 2004

Justin Winiarz took us along on a tour of railroading in Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, New York, Mass. and New Hampshire.

We saw railroading of the Indiana Harbor Belt, CSX, Union Pacific, NS, Indiana & Ohio, GRS, C&C, Amtrak, N.E. Central, N.E. Southern, MBTA.

One of the highlights was the fact that in two hours at Dolton, Ill. a total of 19 trains and one CSX Inspection car was seen.

March 2004

Gary Webster had us on the Boston & Maine in New Hampshire in the Manchester, Concord, Dover and Bow areas. In and around Boston and along the Fitchburg. "Foreign power" of Penn Central, some D&H, and many of the different paint schemes at the time of the Guilford takeover of the B&M.

HELP NEEDED

The B&M Combine on Dutton St., Lowell, will be open and manned by members of the Society and open to the public on Saturdays during June, July and August from 1 PM to 4 PM with the exception of the July 23rd weekend due to the Lowell Folk Festival.

We are looking for "workers" to come down to the Combine July 24th and 25th to help out for the Folk Festival. Anyone interested may contact Jim Nigzis or myself via e-mail at CPC835-DD@Juno.com or drop us a postcard at the Derry PO Box.

Where We All Live

Every now and then we like to let you know where we all live. In this update of the Membership there are seven states that we have no members in: Arkansas, Idaho, Kentucky, Mississippi, Montana, North Dakota and Utah.

The B&MRRHS has been holding steady in the 1175 to 1190 membership over the past several years. At the present we have 1174 members.

Alabama	1	New Jersey	24
Alaska	1	New Mexico	3
Arizona	7	New York	58
California	22	North Carolina	9
Colorado	7	Ohio	9
Connecticut	46	Oklahoma	1
Delaware	2	Oregon	3
Florida	35	Pennsylvania	18
Georgia	5	Rhode Island	12
Hawaii	1	South Carolina	6
Illinois	12	South Dakota	2
Indiana	7	Tennessee	5
Iowa	3	Texas	11
Kansas	1	Vermont	24
Louisiana	2	Virginia	15
Maine	45	Washington	10
Maryland	8	Washington, D.C.	1
Massachusetts	516	West Virginia	1
Michigan	14	Wisconsin	5
Minnesota	3	Wyoming	2
Missouri	1	Canada	6
Nebraska	1	Germany	2
Nevada	3	U.K.	5
New Hampshire	208		

The above list also includes any exchanges and complimentary memberships.

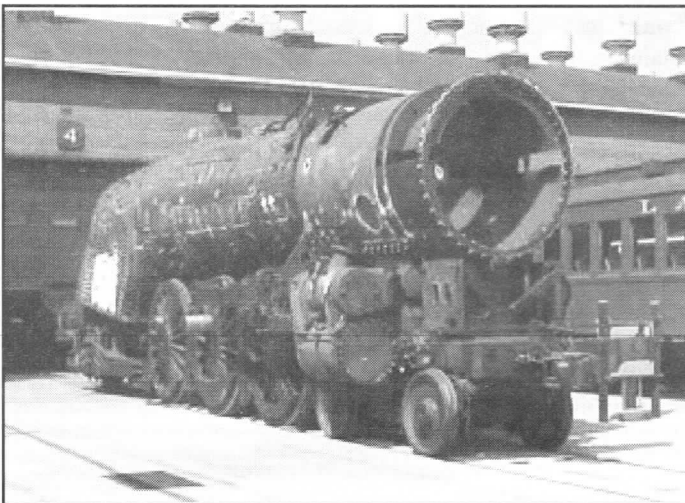
Buddy Winiarz,
Membership Secretar



This is Londonderry, NH on the Manchester & Lawrence Branch...the station is actually the former Wilsons station that replaced the station at Londonderry after it burned down in 1921. Wilsons was located in Londonderry approximately 2 miles south of the Londonderry station. The chimney in the background still stands today and is the only remaining "structure" left from that 1921 fire."



*Manchester, NH yard looking south...circa 1930's.
Photographer—unknown*



3713 sits outside the Steamtown shops while repairs are made to its booster engine.

Tank Cars on the Boston and Maine

A question was asked about some model tank cars and what companies would one see on B&M rails.

Tim Gilbert offers the following information.

The model Tank Cars represent tank cars built and designed by American Car & Foundry. Intermountain's likewise replicate AC&F design & production. From 1914 through the early 1950's, there were only two other tank car manufacturers, Standard Tank & General American (GATX), and GATX bought Standard in 1927. But there was a third design for the "general petroleum" tank car - Union Tank Line. While UTLX did not own their own tank car manufacturing operation until the 1950's, they generally had the two others build to their designs.

Any tank car in New England were either owned by shippers themselves or leased from private tank car lines which included GATX, UTLX and SHPX (AC&F's car leasing arm). Below is a summary of the major oil companies listed in Ken Akerboom's List of Industries in the Group's Files:

American Oil - a Standard Oil of Indiana subsidiary. When the Standard Oil Trust was broken up in 1911, the "baby Standards" continued their lease's with the Trust's Tank Car Line, UTLX, which became an independent company after 1911.

Atlantic Refining - In 1954, they owned less than 100 cars if any at all. I do not know from which line they leased.

Cities Service - Owned their own cars.

Esso or Standard Oil of New Jersey - UTLX

Gulf - Owned their own cars.

Mexican Petroleum - Don't Know.

Shell Oil - The ownership of tank cars carrying Shell Oil varied throughout the country. Each region made their own arrangements. UTLX, however, began to get a foothold with many of Shell's Regions, but I do not know whether UTLX got the lease for the region serving New England.

Socony Mobil (SO Co. of New York) - UTLX

Texaco - In 1935, GATX purchased 4,662 tank cars from Texaco in preparation in becoming their lessor. The TCX reporting mark remained in use, however, through 1953 at least. Some of the 4,662 cars purchased in 1935 may have been built by AC&F.

Tidewater (Tydol) - Owned their own tank cars.

Because GATX acquired a lot of car lines as well as shipper fleets (UTLX did to a much lesser extent), those fleets had a lot of tank cars designed and built by AC&F. The problem is to find out which numbers of the cars were.

Only during WW II did the B&M carry any crude petroleum.

A Projector Slides Off Into The Sunset

With zero fanfare, Eastman Kodak Co., principal U. S. manufacturer of slide projectors, has told its important customers that it will cease production of its once popular lines in June 2004. Meri-Lou McKeever, Kodak's project manager for slide projectors said, "In the past three years the decline has been very fast." Twenty years ago Kodak sold almost 300,000 slide projectors, This year it will sell 18,000. Retailers say Kodachrome and Ektachrome slide film, still widely used by professional photographers, will remain on sale.

*The Green Block, Cent NY Chap NRHS from
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