

**NMRA, MCR, DIV. 7
APRIL, 2011 CONTEST RESULTS**

MODELS: ON-LINE DIORAMAS

Box Stock:

1st Place: Ron Gribbler: O-Scale Tool Shed
No other entries submitted.

Kitbashed:

1st Place: Georgia Dahlberg: HOn21/2 Canal with engine and cars
2nd Place: Jim Ossman: O-Scale Tool Shed
No other entries submitted.

Scratch built No entries submitted.

PHOTOGRAPHY: DIVISION 7 MEMBER'S LAYOUTS*

Slides Prototype: Due to the theme of this contest, there could be no entries in this category.

Slides Model: No entries submitted.

Print Prototype: Due to the theme of this contest, there could be no entries in this category.

Print Model: *

1st Place: John Listerman: Dixie Metal Works on John Listerman's layout;
2nd Place: Bob Adams: Scene on John Miller's layout;
3rd Place: Bob Chapman: Scene on Anton Zillich's layout.

* I want to thank those folks who called me to inquire about this category---the questions were both interesting and challenging to say the least. Let me explain... the first conversations were regarding some layouts of folks we always thought were members, but when we checked, even though we recognize that they attend many of our meetings, they factually have not transferred their membership from their "division of residence", and thus, are not on our division's roster as we outlined for this category. True, we list them as honorary members, but they are not true Division 7 members. Therefore (when/if this category ever comes up again), those particular layouts were not eligible, nor will they ever be, until the person/s transfers membership to Division 7. Then, a bit later, I had a couple of phone conversations to determine if club layouts would be eligible for the competition. After checking the Division 7 roster once again, I found only two club layouts registered---only those will/would be eligible for this competition. And, finally, as a spin-off of some of these conversations, I really had a thought provoking question relative to the theme of "Personnel Workin' on the Railroad" (which was offered in January, but may/could return next year). I won't violate the confidentiality of that particular person nor question, but let me give everyone a hint...you'd be surprised if you did some creative thinking what you could do with this category in terms of having other dimensions. I certainly am looking forward to that kind of entry!!! - Jack

Superintendent note: As Jack has noted, this "category" has certainly given birth to some "spirited" discussion. I have added discussion of the parameters of this matter to the September agenda at the September, 2011 BOD meeting.

Jack Laubisch,
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P.S. Each month I have been posting a laminated copy of the rules for our local competition, as outlined by the Division 7 BOD, on the contest tables. Hopefully this posting will help you should you have any questions.