Upcoming Events:
1) Next CPR&SS Club meeting: Saturday, Nov 14 starting promptly at 11 AM. Weather is predicted to be good so we’ll meet in the shelter at the track.
2) “A Carillon Christmas” Train planned to run every night 6 – 9 PM Nov 24 thru Dec 30.
3) Holiday decorating at the track – see CPRSS.org website for latest work session & times.
4) No December meeting. All meetings in 2021 will be on the 2nd Saturday at 11 AM.

Next CPR&SS meeting discussions: Club support for the holiday train runs, work days, train storage, begin discussions for 2021 activities, etc.

Members: Club memberships EXPIRED on March 31, 2020. You MUST be a member to run ANY equipment at the track. For memberships, please send an email to: Larry Wassell, Reilmann6240@att.net or postal mail to 2824 Vale Dr., Kettering OH 45420. For info see Membership at: www.CPRSS.org

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Above are Linda and Bob S wrapping holiday light strands around a tree by the switch tower on Oct 22. They have wrapped all of the trees in the grove area and the area west of the engine house.
At left is Scott L running loco 7695 on the Oct 03 public train run day. Due to COVID we are running a shorter route which still goes through the hillside tunnel – which riders like. It’s our blue route and frees up and isolates the one inch track on the west half of our track. Jim H measured the route as a half a mile run.

Above left is visitor David W with his 0-6-0 that he made over a 4 year period. Above right is his Van Brocklin-style steam pump. Steam comes in at the top left, through the displacement lubricator, then into the pump top section, exhausting downward on the right side. Water is pumped in the bottom section. Each side controls the other sides motion.

A Van Brocklin steam pump build article was included in the May/June and July/Aug 2020 issues of Live Steam & Outdoor Railroading magazine. See LiveSteam.net

At left are Dan and wife, Darlene, running on the one-inch scale track on the western half of the track. They made several rounds and carried a few passengers.
At left is Shaun H running 7695 on the Oct 03 public train run day. You can see the yellow spacer bars between the passenger cars installed to provide social distancing. Previously we had all ten passenger cars in one train but only loaded even numbered cars then odd cars on the next trip. Spacer bars allow us to run two 5-car trains which we expect to need for the holiday train runs.

At right are Jim H and Will G painting the first storage unit on the Oct 13 work day. The unit was made from loco 7695’s shipping crate with a section added to extend it to be long enough to store a locomotive with its engineers car or it can hold two locos.

At left is Will G about to move locos 1932 and 652 into the storage unit. Note that the yellow transfer tray must be used to do the transfer. These two locos were being stored in the earthen tunnel on the hillside but were deteriorating badly due to rain and mist still blowing through the tunnel.
Below is Ken H on 7695 on the first passenger train run on Oct 24, 2020. This was our last daytime train run of 2020.

At right is Spencer F doing a blowdown after a successful day of running on Oct 24. It was a bit chilly which makes the steam show up very well.

At left is the completed first storage unit showing the back door. The unit is 15.5 feet long with a doorway clearance that is 21 inches wide and 28 inches high. All of our current locos can be rolled inside but 7695’s engineers car cannot because it currently has a very high control stand. Therefore, 7695 and its engineers car should only be stored in the engine house which was the plan from the start. For the holiday train runs, 9615 A & B can be stored here as a unit and rolled out quickly as a second train or as a backup to 7695, should it break.

At left is a second storage unit that has been built and is itself ready to use. It replaces the decrepit table that was there and doubles as a table also. It has two hinged doors on the front and is currently too far away from the lift for the yellow transfer tray to be used. A transfer bridge is planned to be build shortly so this unit can be used to store loco 1932 or 652. It is 8 feet long but is built so another unit can be attached to the back end making it long enough to store 1932 with its engineers car. If needed, the unit can be moved closer to the lift.
The Nov CPR&SS club meeting is scheduled for Saturday, Nov 14\textsuperscript{th} starting at 11 AM at the track shelter.

Note the revised starting time – 11 AM. The meeting starts promptly at 11.

Be there or a quorum may not be met and no official business can be conducted.

At right is the Carillon tower on Nov 5, 2020, just after having the pole put on its top by the yellow crane in the bottom left of the picture. Cables were already being strung from the top down to the ground. If like last year, there will be 100 cables with 200 lights on each cable for a total of 20000 lights. The holiday event at the park is called \textit{A Carillon Christmas} and begins Nov 24. The CPR&SS train runs begin at 6 PM that same day also. Train runs are scheduled to run every night the park is open starting at 6 PM. CPR&SS members are needed as engineers and conductors and an online sign up website is in work – check your email. We need several engineers to sign up and be trained on the locomotives and their operation and also conductors to be trained on their duties.

Miscellaneous links: Check for coronavirus updates on each website as things can change quickly. 
Mill Creek Central: Last work session is Nov 13 & 14, 2020. 
FortWayneRailRoad.org Cincinnati Cinder Sniffers Indiana Live Steamers 
Age Of Steam Roundhouse All tours appear to be over for 2020 but check their website or call. 
Lebanon Railroad Dayton Train Show Was Nov 7 & 8, 2020 but was canceled due to Covid. 
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UP.com/heritage/steam/ 
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