





Welcome to the North Central O Gauge Model Train Club

A Model Railroad Club for individuals who like to run O Gauge Trains and share their interest with like minded individuals.

The club has monthly train runs on the 2nd Saturday of every month except in November. Members bring their trains and operate them for the public and patrons of the library. This event has an average of over 600 visitors on each of these days.

The layout consists of three loops of track set up to run Lionel Trains with Cab 1, Legacy, and conventional operation, as well as MTH, K Line, and Williams by Bachmann engines. A member can come to the library during normal open hours, sign in, and run trains, once they are familiar with the general operations of the power supplies. Only members are allowed into the train area.

In addition to the monthly train runs there are special runs. This is done on a modularized operating traveling layout with 3 tracks. The modules are housed in a trailer and the club tries to set-up for a minimum of 4 local events in Lake, McHenry, and Cook Counties of Illinois, and have even run trains in communities just into Wisconsin. Special runs are on a single day, Saturday. Member participation is encouraged for both the setup and to bring their trains for the run. A typical special run lasts approximately 6 hours. The layout is decorated in themes such as Halloween, Christmas, Circus, and Hobo. The club is reimbursed for these runs and this is a significant source of income. These one day runs usually average over 800 visitors.

The club also does two Community Service runs. One is in May at Lambs Farm, and the other is in September at Fall Harvest Days in Union Grove Wisconsin. During the year a Saturday or two is designated as member only days called "Non-Picnic Days". Members run trains from 9 to 4 on this day, and many members bring in lunch and soft drinks to share. On those days the public is not invited.

The club also has a guest program, whereby an individual who has an O Gauge train they would like to run on our tracks has the opportunity to do so at no cost. In addition, the club has a member who is very good at repairing trains and is willing to help them get their engines running.

Membership dues consist of an entry level fee of \$35.00 for the first year and \$60.00 per year thereafter. The train club and permanent layout is located at the Fremont Public Library, 1170 N. Midlothian Road, Mundelein, Illinois 60060, (847) 566-8702.

Thank you for your interest. The Board of the North Central O Gaugers Model Railroad Club Inc. welcomes your questions and comments, and invites you to visit our Website: http://www.ncogtrains.com/

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