

# The Columbus Garden Railway Society

## I ON TRACK I

**JUNE 2019** 



### The Sutter Park Lumber Railway chugs along

SUNDAY JUNE 30 2:00-4:00 p.m.

2:00 p.m. Trains running 2:30 p.m. Meeting and Snacks Clinic: Revolution Control System by Justin Derita

Bob and Kathy Duggan hosting 2245 Sutter Parkway Dublin 43016-8931 614.761.8499 deisel45@hotmail.com

Host Bob Duggan Article and photos by Bob Duggan

Bob Duggan's railroad consists of 350 feet of track. Four trains can be running at the same time with two being point to point.

The Sutter Park is whimsical with a fully animated carnival one of the highlights of the layout, which, weather permitting, will be functioning. The other focal point of the layout is the lumber yard from which the railroad derives its name. Structures range from scratch-built to bird houses.



The Sutter Parkway Lumber Railway has been open for twenty years on the Fall Garden Railroad Tour and hopefully you will enjoy coming to visit on Sunday, June 30.

Two additional railroads open preceding the event at the Duggan home.

See page two for descriptions of the 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. pre-meeting layouts.



**Directions to 2245 Sutter Parkway, Dublin 43016**One block north of Hard Road between Sawmill Road and Smoky Row Road.

From I-71 take I-270 west to the Sawmill
Road exit 20; go north following signs for
Sawmill Road North, merge onto Sawmill
Road for half mile to Hard Road; right onto Hard Road;
left onto Stanburn Road which will dead end into
Sutter Parkway, staying right 2245 is on the right.



### June 30th CGRS Pre-Meeting Mini Club Tour

by Jed Hacker, Richard Abler, Bob Collins; photos by Richard Abler and Bob Collins

Check out two mature gardens of Columbus Garden Railway Society before the June 30th club meeting. Richard and Barbara Abler and Bob and Cora Collins will open their gardens starting at 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m., then head over to Bob and Kathy Duggan's for our June 30th meeting at 2:00 p.m.

#### The Puddlefort and Patio Railroad

of Richard and Barbra Abler is modeled after a central Wisconsin village and farmland served by the Chicago & North Western Railroad. A trolley line serves Puddlefort Village.

This railroad boasts well established small scale plants, dwarfed trained conifers, rock garden plants, and much more.

The Puddlefort and Patio Railroad 990 Blind Brook Drive, Columbus OH 43235





### The Grand Rapids and Reed Lake

**Railroad** of Bob and Cora Collins has four loops on a raised bed. Train operations are favored over gardening. Structures on the railroad are reflective of the imagined areas around Reed Lake in the suburbs of Grand Rapids at the turn of the 19th century.

Bob runs live steam locomotives, on four loops, with an operating catenary system to support streetcar operations.

The Grand Rapids and Reed Lake Railroad 924 Middlebury Drive Worthington OH 43085



# The May Sun Shines on Three-Club Event

Article by Ginny Clark, Columbus GRS; Photos by Justin Derita, Columbus GRS

After a very rainy night, we had a beautiful sunny day for the Three-Club meeting at the Springfield home of Danny and Dawn Wells. Columbus Garden Railway Society, the Miami Valley GRS, and the Northern Ohio GRS came together for a Swap Meet and Potluck Luncheon on Saturday, May 18. The rain had caused some flooding in the field where we had parked in the past, but Judy Roth very kindly provided a shuttle service between the Wells' home and a nearby parking lot.

When we arrived there were several tables set up for the swap meet and many deals were already taking place. Trains were running in the back yard and were looking great over the newly installed AstroTurf. Dawn explained that the AstroTurf made the railroad upkeep much easier. Now instead of spending several hours a day pulling weeds, they can just blow the debris off and have more fun actually running the trains.





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Three



Club



**Event** 



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Each club provided either side dishes, appetizers, or desserts to go with the pulled pork sandwiches. There was certainly no lack of great food choices, including many wonderful looking desserts.

The event started at 12 p.m. and by 1 p.m. most of the swaps had been finished. Everyone who participated seemed pleased with the new finds for their railroads.





This was followed by lunch and a short meeting. Each of the three clubs had a representative speak about their club and what was coming up. Our fall trip was mentioned along with the Railroad Days at Carillon Park, June 22nd and June 23rd.

https://www.daytonhistory.org/visit/dayton-history-sites/carillon-historical-park/

The Bradford OH railroad museum was mentioned as having some upcoming activities.

https://www.bradfordrrmuseum.org. #





### **NEWS TABLE News**

NO May news table meeting



#### **NEWS TABLE, 7:30 pm Thursdays**

June 20 — Alvin & Beverly Mann; 614.436.9405; 5497 Crawford Drive, Columbus 43229-4121 July 18 — 6:15 pm — pontoon ride on Buckeye Lake— 7:30 meeting at Gail & Jerry Klink home

# RAILROAD GARDEN TOUR

The annual garden tour is Sunday,
September 8<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars!!
The marketing has begun,
and I am advertising
that there will be new layouts this year!!
SO, the pressure is on for you folks
new to the club.
WE NEED YOU,
so please consider opening
your home to the Sunday event.

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### Who's Who in Columbus Garden Railway Society

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All articles in this newsletter are provided by the editor unless otherwise noted. Photographs by Dave and JoAnne Hamblin.

### 2019 CALENDAR



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July 18, Thur, 7:30 pm

(6:15 pm)

July 28 , Sun, 2-4 pm

News Table, Klink home, Buckeye Lake Come early for a pontoon boat ride July Event, Easterday home, Dublin

August 15, Thur, 7:30 pm News Table—location to be announced August 25, Sun, 2-4 pm August Event, Mann home, Columbus

November 20-24

September 8, Sun, 1-5 pm Annual Garden Railroad Tour-for public October 17 to October 21 Fall bus tour to Tennessee

CGRS at Model Train Days, C.O.S.I.