Club History



September 2003, John Beck, Eric Dobson, Doug Hornberger and Bill Mixon met at Bethany McDonalds and formed the Delaware Seaside Railroad Club.

First Formal Meeting, February 2004 – at Ocean View Town Hall, 20 new members joined. In 2005, the meetings were moved to Bethany Beach Town Hall. In 2010, the meetings were moved to the South Coastal Library.

INCORPORATION – July 2006. Club By-Laws were approved in October. On March29, 2007, the club became a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.



Historic Georgetown Train Station – The club opened its first "home" in the Historic Georgetown Train Station. Our first teaching sessions took place here with the children from Georgetown Elementary School. The kids designed and built several layouts over the years. We had permanent layouts there including "S" Gauge, "O" Gauge and "HO" Gauge.

During the May 7, 2011 Open House, a fire of unknown cause destroyed the second floor. All but the club's offsite layouts were destroyed.



Present Home - In July 2021, the club moved from Clayton's Crossing to it's new home located on Route 113, north of Selbyville. Club meetings are on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m.

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Delaware Seaside Railroad Club, Inc. Delaware Model Railroad Museum

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Hours: Wednesdays from 5 pm - 7 pm Saturdays from 10 am - 3 pm

Our organization is a **501(c)(3) Educational Charity**as recognized by the US IRS.

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Our mission is "to promote and preserve the history and hobby of model railroading". Our goal is to educate and entertain people of all ages on the many advantages of model railroading and the collecting of toy trains as a hobby.

Educational Programs

Workshops are conducted on the care and maintenance of toy trains, and on how to build a home layout. Donated layouts are refurbished by workshop participants with guidance from member experts.

Train Shows and Yard Sales

We sponsor train shows every Spring and Fall, and yard sales at our clubhouse, where we and vendors sell their model railroading wares to the public. Our club operates train layouts and accepts offers to purchase refurbished train layouts.

Community Events

Whenever possible members participate in parades throughout the year in several Sussex County towns. Our float consists of a trailer that has sound and smoke with a small town circled by a G-gauge Thomas The Train. Members hand out information brochures inviting the public to visit our clubhouse and to attend our other events.

Fund Raising

Our organization could not exist without the financial support provided by donations from Sponsors and Patrons. Sponsors are businesses that donate \$100 or more Patrons are individuals or families that donate at least \$50 to our educational, charitable organization.

SPONSOR/PATRON BENEFITS

(Sponsor - Business, Patron - People)

- Contributions are tax deductible or can be applied as an advertising expense.
- A framed certificate with your name will be displayed on our clubhouse wall in thanks for your financial support.
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- You will be provided with a Certificate of Appreciation that we hope you will proudly display.
- You will receive our monthly newsletter.
- Sponsor Logos and/or name will be posted on our website with a link.
- Please call to arrange a private tour of our clubhouse or visit us during our normal hours of operation.

HOW DO I BECOME A SPONSOR or PATRON?

- 1. Complete all sections of information form including type of sponsorship.

 (PLEASE PRINT)
- 2. Enclose a check payable to: DSRC
- 3. Give this form, with your check, to the DSRC member that contacted you

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DSRC P.O. Box 479 Ocean View, DE 19970

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