



2020 SUMMER LAYOUT TOURS



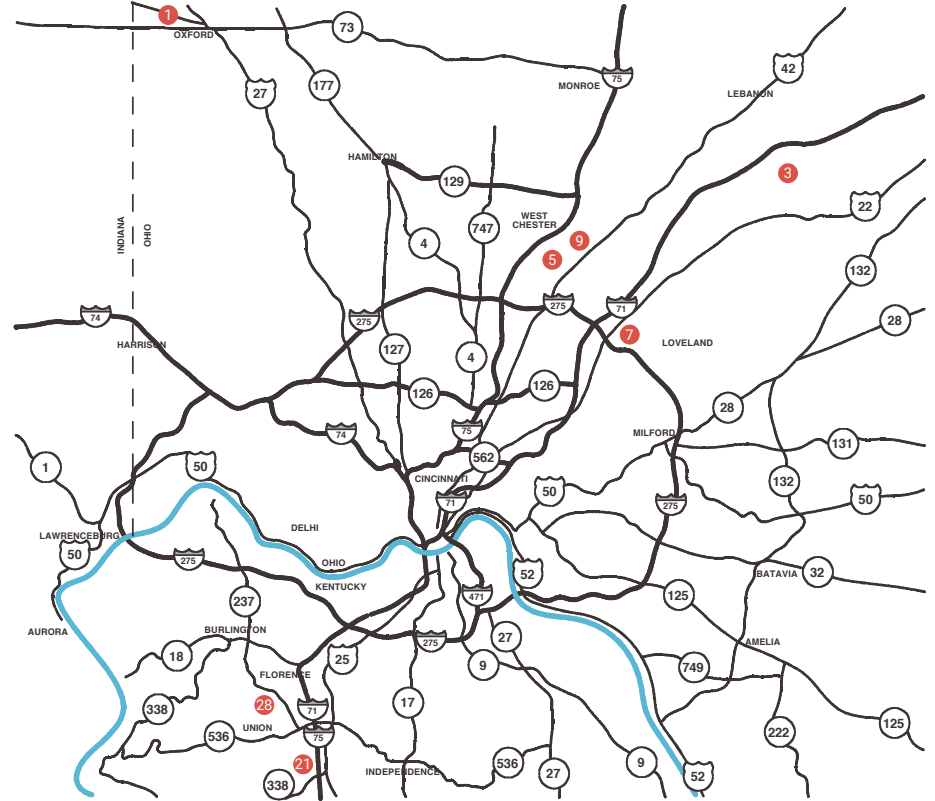
SATURDAY, JULY 11TH 2020 • 12-6PM

ONE DAY ONLY



Greater Cincinnati Garden Railway Society

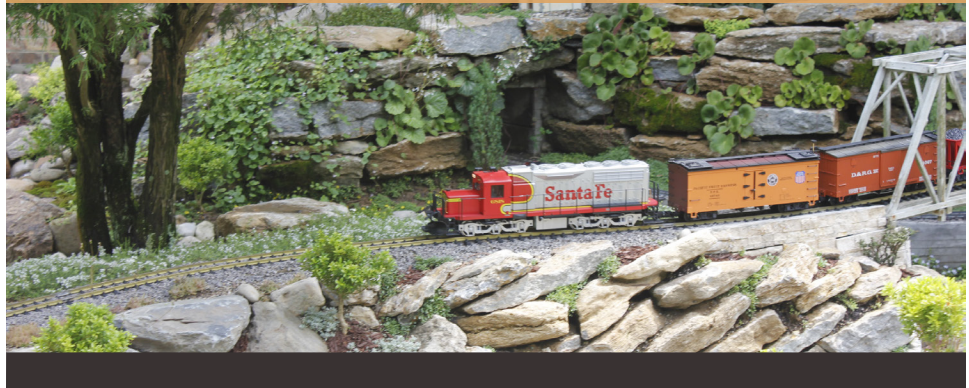
Greater Cincinnati Area



OVERALL TOUR MAP

1 3 5 7 9 21 28 Layouts on Sat July 11th

* PLEASE NOTE ALL LAYOUTS ARE ONLY OPEN ONE DAY!





MIDWESTERN & RAINBOW TUNNEL RAILROAD

Allan & Liz Pantle

📍 111 COUNTRY CLUB DR OXFORD, OH 45056

📍 LAT 39.51560 LONG -84.76515

📞 (513) 524-2124

The Midwestern and Rainbow Tunnel Railroad is a combination mainline and branchline model railroad set in the 40s & 50s. The MW & RT RR covers approximately 1700 sq ft with 500 ft of track. The track winds through a garden of over 60 different varieties of plants, around a rock stream and pond, and past more than 20 buildings. Trains go

through a tunnel, climb 40-ft long hills with 2% grades, and pass over 3 bridges and 5 trestles. A variety of trains run on the railroad – including those pulled by articulated steam locomotives, diesel locomotives, and small narrow-gauge locomotives. A digital command control system is used for train operations. The layout is handicap accessible.

Directions: Take I-275 to exit 33 (US 27, Colerain Ave). Take US 27 north into Oxford. On the way US 27 makes a left turn in Millville at a traffic light (12 miles from I-275), and another left turn at High St in Oxford (10 miles out of Millville). Follow High St straight west and it changes its name to Contreras Rd (no longer US 27) at the end of downtown Oxford (Shell and BP stations). Continue straight and follow Contreras road over the RR tracks, past Arby's (on the left) and past Oxford Country Club (on the right). At Olde Farm Rd. (approx 1 mile out of downtown Oxford), turn right into Heritage Subdivision. Turn right on Country Club. Dr. Pantle's house is the fifth one on the right side of the street.



THE MANISTIQUE RAILROAD

Bob & Anna Dransman

📍 2295 MANISTIQUE LAKES DRIVE, LEBANON, OH 45036

📍 LAT 39.394494 LONG -84.166502V

📞 (513) 932-8154

The Manistique Railroad is currently under construction, and this is its first year on the tour. Established about four years ago, by virtue of the first GCGRS "rail raising" in 11 years, it currently consists of a single "lazy-eight" that crosses a koi pond by way of a 7-foot Howe Truss Bridge. Surrounding gardens and woods provide a backdrop for the trains.

A 40-foot concrete viaduct is currently under construction patterned after the famous "Harry Potter Bridge" (a.k.a., Glenfinnan Viaduct) in Scotland. The

framework for a 12-bay roundhouse will be on display. Software for the 36" turntable has also been written for the Arduino-based custom control. It is currently undergoing a conversion from belt drive to a worm gear drive.

Also planned is a depot, a small town, a logging camp, a mining operation and a train shed. Some of the buildings exist today, but much more work is to be done.

There also may be a vintage muscle car or two (or three, or four) on display since the owners are also automobile restorers.

Directions: Take I-71 to Exit 32 (Lebanon/Morrow Exit), then turn South onto S.R. 123 towards Morrow. Go ~150 yards and turn right onto Phillips Road (at the Marathon station). Go 1.8 miles and drive straight into Timberlake subdivision (Manistique Lakes Drive). Drive to the cul-de-sac. When you can go no further, the Dransman's driveway is the concrete one on your left. There are 2 houses on the driveway. The Dransman's is to the right, 500 feet off the road in the woods.

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BUCKEYE SPRINGS RAILWAY

Steve & Karen Carr

📍 7357 SUSAN SPRINGS DR. WEST CHESTER, OH 45069

📍 LAT 39.330457 LONG -84.383127

📞 (513) 777-4919

The Buckeye Springs Railway began in April 2012, has three fully operational main loops with broad curves totaling 380 feet of track. It occupies 2600 sq ft at the top of a steep hill overlooking the neighborhood pond.

The layout is owner-designed and constructed and features 100 feet of

trestle, a water feature, three bridges, dozens of buildings and plants.

The railway uses the setting to provide dramatic views of elevated trains against the pond. There are many opportunities for visual interaction as trains pass near and over each other. Layout is mostly wheelchair accessible over grass.

Directions: Cars and small trucks only: From I-75 Exit 19 (Union Centre Blvd) east on Union Centre Blvd to Cincinnati-Dayton Rd. Turn north on Cin-Day Rd. & go to West Chester Rd. (0.5miles). Turn right and follow W. Chester Rd. past Barret Rd to Revere Run (approx. 1.5 miles). Before Barret, there is a LOW railroad underpass, which is why this route is NOT for larger vehicles. Turn left on Revere Run, then first left onto Wintergreen Drive. Wintergreen ends at Susan Springs. Turn right, go east past two streets and 7357 will be on your right. **Alternate:** From I-71 Exit at Kings Island Dr. and turn west on Western Row Rd. Follow Western Row Rd. and stay on as it changes to Barret Rd. Left on Cox Rd. then right on Monticello and right on Sussex. Right on Susan Springs Dr. and 7357 will be on your left.

NOTE

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FOR LAST MINUTE
CANCELLATIONS
OR ADDITIONS
BEFORE TOUR DAY
JULY 11th 2020.*



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THE GREAT WESTERN RESERVE RAILROAD

Don & Gayle Oeters

- 📍 11261 GRANDON RIDGE CIR. MONTGOMERY, OH 45249
- 📍 LAT 39.25972 LONG -84.32633
- 📞 (513) 469-9611

The Great Western Reserve Railroad has a very rugged and rocky character. Over 600 feet of track is continuously winding in and out with many tunnels and trestles. A waterfall and a babbling brook empty into a scale size lake at the lower end of the railroad.

Two main lines and a station-to-station trolley line intertwine through the rocky slopes. The layout can be walked through as well as viewed from many different interconnected levels. New miniature landscaping has been added. Ask about wheelchair access.

Directions: Take I-75 North to Ronald Reagan Cross County Highway East. Follow to I-71 North to exit 15, Pfeiffer Road. Turn right on Pfeiffer and go to the traffic light. Turn left on Montgomery Road to the second traffic light, right on Weller Road and follow to the Reserve of Montgomery (enclosed by brick wall). Enter Reserve of Montgomery, turning left on Oldstone, right on Grandstone and left on Grandon Ridge Circle. Oeters' is the second house on the right. Alternate = I-275 to Montgomery Rd exit, then south to Weller, left on Weller then as above.



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CLUB LAYOUT

Greater Cincinnati Garden Railway Society

- 📍 7379 SQUIRE CT. WEST CHESTER, OH 45069
- 📍 LAT 39.35150 LONG -84.37459

Our club layout, located outside EnterTRAINment Junction, is a team effort, with club members donating track, plants, rocks, dirt, buildings and most importantly their time.

We have three loops of track which can be electrically powered, or switched off

to allow the use of club member's battery powered or Live Steam equipment and a multi-track yard.

Scenery and trestles were all built by club members. There is more coming, so check back next year. The layout is on a hill, but the upper areas are accessible.

Directions: From I-75: 1. Exit 22 (Tylersville Road) go East on Tylersville 2. Turn right at the first light (Kingsgate) 3. Turn right at the first street (Squire Court) 4. Go to the end of Squire Court where you will see EnterTRAINment Junction. Go to the south side (left as you face the main entrance) around the end of the building. We have a fenced off area, but the gate will be open, so come on in!

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CRANBERRY & LINVILLE RIVER RAILROAD CO.

Dan & Pam Stenger

📍 557 MUSTANG DR. WALTON, KY 41094

📍 LAT 38.92311 LONG -84.63861

☎ (859) 816-5856

Travel back in time to the mountains of East Tennessee and Western North Carolina and visit The Cranberry and Linville River. The C&LR, (circa 1920-1940) a fictitious railroad based on the three-foot gauge East Tennessee and Western North Carolina R.R., consists of two loops. The C&LR, built in 2000, is approximately 1600 sq. ft. with 350 feet of track winding through mountains, valleys, tunnels as well as crossing and following waterfalls and a stream. Like the ET&WNC, the C&LR has five tunnels and

numerous bridges and trestles including a long trestle/bridge combination 64 scale feet high and 445 scale feet long. The C&LR runs mostly battery-powered steam including ten-wheelers, a Shay, Climax and a consolidation. The railway was designed by Paul Busse and built by Dan and Pam Stenger, the owners, with help from their children Amanda and Zach. Harken back to the last century when the whistles of the ET&WNC echoed through the hills..."Tweetsie"! The layout is wheelchair accessible over grass.

Directions: Take I-75 to Exit 175 (Richwood). Proceed west on 338 (Richwood Rd.) to Paddock (just past McDonald's). Turn right onto Paddock and proceed to Mustang (1st left). Turn left onto Mustang. 557 is the third house on the left side of the street.

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D&R SCENIC RAILROAD

Dan and Robin Bisig

📍 2722 RUNNING CREEK DR. FLORENCE, KY 41042

📍 LAT 38.970768 LONG -84.681696

☎ (513) 919-2646

The D&R Scenic Railroad is a dream come true for owner Dan Bisig and is just 2 years old. It's a perfect size garden railroad to inspire anyone who is looking to get started in this terrific hobby.

The track design was done by friend Dan Stenger. The layout was built by a few other GCGRS members in only one day. This layout has 2 trestles and a variety of scratch built buildings

with whimsical themes. The town of Kendallville, anchored by the station, is surrounded with everything you would expect in a Steam Era town. Occasionally a small traveling Circus comes to town to entertain the locals.

This small but fun layout will hopefully motivate anyone who is considering getting into garden railroading, that you can do it too!

Directions: Take I-75 Exit 180 (US-42; US-127). Proceed West toward Union/Florence on US-127/US-42 approximately 8 miles (you have gone too far if you get to Walgreens and Wendy's). Turn right onto Farmview Dr. At 3rd Stop sign - Turn left onto Ridgecrest Dr. At next Stop Sign - Turn left onto Steeplebush Dr. At next Stop Sign - Turn left onto Running Creek Dr. We are the 6th house on the left side (look for the Train Sign) Parking is ONLY on the left side of the street