

# *FUN*TRAK Times!

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## ***RAILS ALONG THE MOHAWK***



***FUNTRAK*** club member Malcolm Jones maintains order on the layout at the annual show in Amsterdam. This is a small mall show that club members enjoy attending and provides a laid back atmosphere for running trains without the pressure of worrying about too many issues spoiling the enjoyment. This event fits nicely into *FUNTRAK*'s schedule of participatory events. We look forward to attending next year!

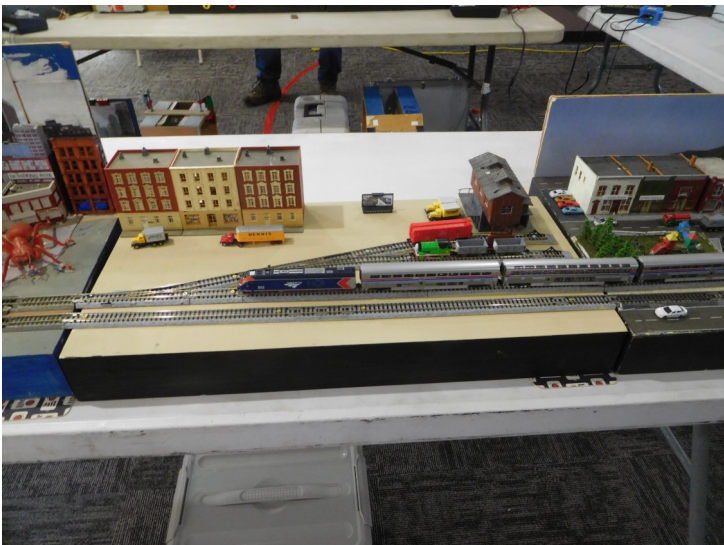
## From the Desk:

Adaptability! This is what makes t-trak so interesting and fun. Planning makes everything move along smoothly. *FUNTRAK*'s layout coordinator, John Fleming, has the planning for layouts perfected. John arranges the space and tables allocated for the shows *FUNTRAK* attends and adapts whatever modules are available at the time. Naturally, when it comes time to do the actual setup, things may have changed. The space available may have changed, the modules used might not be available, or any other number of changes that affect the planned setup may occur. John readily adapts to any and all of these situations. If someone brings a different module to the show, John quickly adapts the layout plan to accommodate the new module. This also means that rarely are any two setups ever the same. This helps maintain the interest of observers and operators alike. The planned layout for Volney last month had already undergone three revisions. Coordinating all these changes is done behind the

scenes with little recognition for the person doing the planning. There is much more involved than just showing up at the show to set up. John has always managed to ensure everything goes as smoothly as possible and everything works. Often, this means some last minute changes to some portion of the original planned layout. Club members quickly put together the necessary items to fix any problems that may arise. This may include different modules, altered table arrangements, electrical considerations, or different space allocations at the last minute. All these factors come under the heading of adaptability. To this end the layout coordinator for *FUNTRAK* has always done a phenomenal job. Every show *FUNTRAK* attends is always successful, largely due to the efforts of *FUNTRAK*'s layout coordinator, John Fleming. Thank you for keeping us ahead of everything and ensuring everything runs well at the shows!

**Brian**

# AMSTERDAM



# EVENTS

# Schedules

## Spring Time Express

### Model Railroad Show

Oswego Valley Railroad Association

At the Volney Volunteer Fire Barn

3002 State Route 3, Fulton, New York

Saturday, May 2, 2026 10:00am to 5:00pm

Sunday, May 3, 2026 10:00am to 4:00pm

Adults-\$6:00 Children 6-12 \$3:00

under 6 FREE

Information: 315-796-9095 or 315-561-1162

## Lehigh Valley Railroad Historical

### Society Station Museum

8 East High Street

Shortsville, New York

will be open to the public on

Sunday, May 17, 2026 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Admission is free; donations are welcome.

More info, visit [www.lvrhrs.org](http://www.lvrhrs.org) or call 585-289-9149

## New York Museum of Transportation

6393 East River Road

Rush, NY, 14586

"Trolley Rides"

Sunday, May 31, 2026 11:30 pm - 3:30 pm

Admission; \$12.00 Seniors \$10.00

3-12 \$6.00 under 2 FREE

Reservations required.

## Dunkirk Model Train Show

Chautauqua County Fair

Dunkirk, New York

Saturday, May 9, 2026

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Admission: Adults \$5.00

Children 12-17 \$3.00 under 12 FREE

## May 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	Volney
Volney	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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## June 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

# More Events

## Schoharie County Model Railroad Association

### Train Show

Cobleskill Fairgrounds

113 Sunshine Dr, Cobleskill, NY

Saturday, May 9, 2026

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Admission: Adults \$5.00

Children 12-17 \$3.00 under 12 FREE

# MONTHLY QUIZ

What did the SCL, L&N, CRR, AWP, GA, and W of A railroads market themselves as?

Beginning in 1972, the six railroads would market themselves as the Family Lines System. A unifying color scheme was adopted, but each railroad maintained its own identity. The Family Lines would become the Seaboard System in 1982 with the merger of SCL and L&N.