

FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY – EVENT REPORT

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SUBJECT: **2016 NMRA Pacific Coast Region / FRRS Joint Convention**

On July 24, I attended the planning meeting for the 2016 NMRA Modesto convention and discussed with the committee the idea of a joint FRRS / NMRA PCR convention.

Overall the idea was met with positive enthusiasm. We discussed several issues and some tentative solutions were proposed. Also, additional room was arranged and a schedule was discussed.

The proposed cooperation outline is as follows:

1. Registration and Treasury will be managed by the Sierra Division.
2. We will charge the same fare to attend the convention for either organization.
3. Any profits will be split based upon percentage of attendance by the respective organization.
4. Two Banquets will be held in adjoining rooms, one running in NMRA fashion, one FRRS. We will look into the possibility of a no host mixer prior to the banquets.
5. The WP presentations and clinics will be held in the Napa Room.
6. The WP Clinics and Presentations will be held from Noon - 9:00 on Friday (with a two hour dinner break around 5:00) and 9:00 - 4:00 on Saturday.
7. A vendor / display room will be determined with the hotel, but the staff stated that many are available. FRRS will be coordinating vendor / display room.
8. The FRRS will commit to a minimum of 30 rooms per night on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.
9. The FRRS will look at coordinating a possible tour and photo session at the CCT in Lodi. Scott Inman (Tours chair) will coordinate with Eugene.
10. NMRA and FRRS Members will have equal access to all events. Only exception is that NMRA rules prohibit a Non-NMRA Member from entering a modeling contest.
11. FRRS can have model displays, but modeling contests are limited to NMRA.
12. Insurance will be provided by the NMRA. (NMRA committee to confirm) FRRS should look at cross-endorsement on their insurance.

Unless the Board has a comments / objections, I will present this to the NMRA PCR as our agreement for cooperation and continue coordination with them.