

Max Maginnes earns MMR 315

Max Maginnes started the early 1950s with a slight variation of the usual tinplate, this time with O-gauge Hornby and later with Hornby Dublo. More recently he has concentrated on modeling the 42 inch gauge prototypes of his native New Zealand in S scale. He has been an NMRA member since 1989 in the 4th Division, PNR.

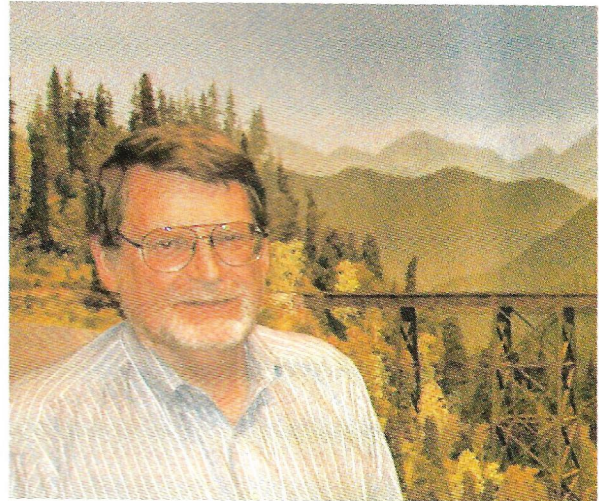
Max also belongs to the New Zealand Model Railway Guild and the New Zealand Railway and Locomotive Society. Many of his articles have appeared in the Guild's "New Zealand Model Railway Journal."

Most of the structures, cars and other models built for the AP certificates appear on Max's home layout reflecting the 1960-70 period. The modest size (13x9 feet) reflects the need to totally scratchbuild many items for the unusual prototype and

minority scale combination. However, the flourishing local Sn3 community has been a major source of inspiration for fine model building.

Excursions into HO have included work on several individual local layouts and in constructing a model of Northern Pacific bridge 56 for the Puget Sound Model Railroad Engineers 1950s era layout in the Washington State Historical Museum. This bridge is partially seen in the photo above.

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