

Report on “All Aboard for Kensington,” September 10 through 11, 2011

This was the first appearance by the Trackers at the Kensington Armory. It was a resounding success from all aspects:

- More than 2,000 attendees enjoyed a great layout;
- NCT members did a fantastic job in setting up and operating a very large layout, 32' x 68' that included 2 discrete loops, 5 main lines, Pot Yard, and Mike Fistere's Yard;
- Several organizations requested appearances by the Trackers in the future in other Montgomery County Maryland venues;
- Town of Kensington marked the 120th anniversary of the Kensington Railroad Station's operation;
- Attendees included the County Executive of Montgomery County, Ike Leggitt.



Special thanks are extended to all the NCT members who participated and an extra special “thank you” goes to Bob Easton, Ed Beaver, Mike Fistere, and John Harper. Finally, a very special “thanks” to Jeff Talaga, the Assistant Trackmaster, who did an outstanding job with both set-up and operation of what was an interesting and unique plan that highlighted how much excitement and real railroading action the NCT can put together.

Everyone had one heck of a time!

The Kensington community wants NCT back next year and beyond. They feel they've found a winning community event, and the NCT participants really enjoyed their contribution.