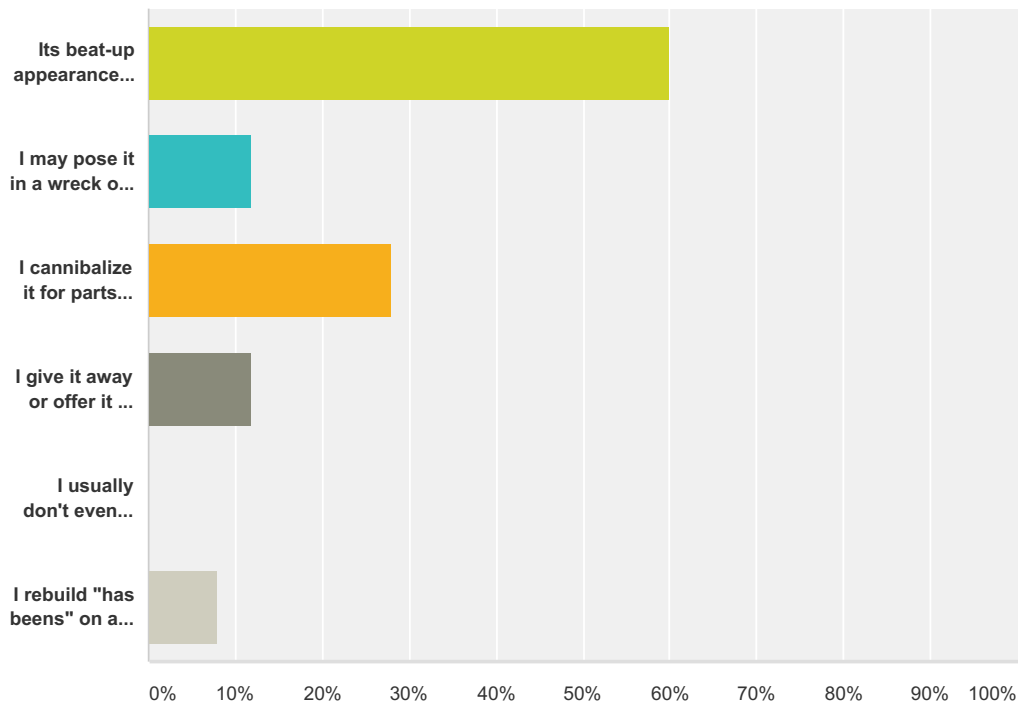


Q1 What do you do with a toy train "has been"?

Answered: 25 Skipped: 1

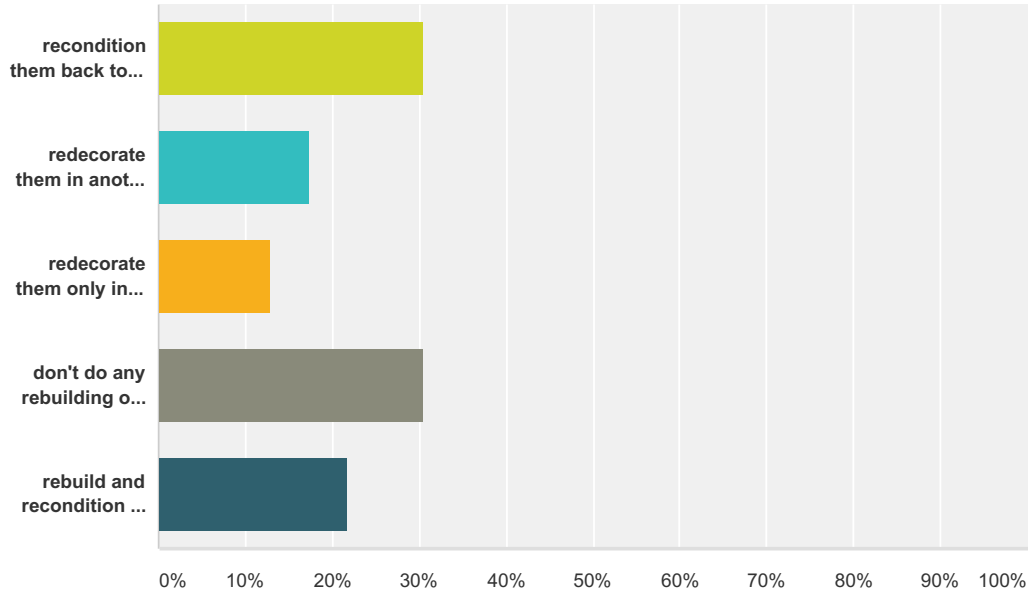


Answer Choices	Responses
Its beat-up appearance doesn't bother me and I keep it for running, possibly with a few "touch-ups."	60.00% 15
I may pose it in a wreck or salvage yard scene on my layout where its beat-up condition looks realistic.	12.00% 3
I cannibalize it for parts to use in refurbishing other items in better condition.	28.00% 7
I give it away or offer it for sale either intact or in parts for others to refurbish.	12.00% 3
I usually don't even bother salvaging usable parts but just trash the item as a "lost cause."	0.00% 0
I rebuild "has beens" on a professional basis for resale or on order from their owners.	8.00% 2
Total Respondents: 25	

#	If you offer such items for sale, where do you usually try to sell them and how do you decide on an asking price?	Date
1	I rebuild pre war trains for myself all the time. I love seeing what they looked like when they were new.	4/6/2015 10:30 PM
2	Every Lionel item has a value for something, regardless of its condition.	3/8/2015 3:57 PM
3	Sell at Swap Meets. Junk always sells faster than very high quality stuff.	3/4/2015 7:29 PM
4	eBay or on toytrains.info (an excellent but underused site). Asking price for a beat-up junker would be no more than a couple of dollars plus postage.	2/28/2015 12:48 AM

Q2 When it comes to rebuilding or reconditioning well-used and damaged toy trains, I . . .

Answered: 23 Skipped: 3

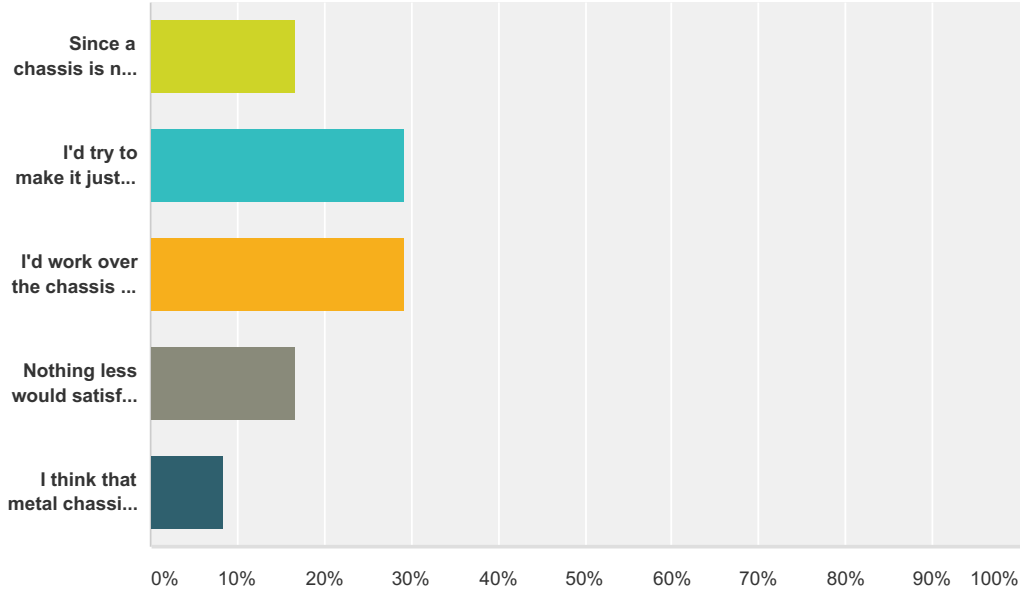


Answer Choices	Responses
recondition them back to their original appearance for myself.	30.43% 7
redecorate them in another road scheme, possibly one that Lionel never had.	17.39% 4
redecorate them only in my favorite or personal road name and colors.	13.04% 3
don't do any rebuilding or reconditioning.	30.43% 7
rebuild and recondition as a professional (or volunteer) service for others.	21.74% 5
Total Respondents: 23	

#	If you order parts for use in reconditioning, what are some of your favorite sources?	Date
1	ebay	4/1/2016 4:43 PM
2	Ebay, Amazon.	3/18/2016 2:51 PM
3	Train Tender, Gardner the Train Dr.	4/12/2015 5:45 AM
4	Lionel, Stanley Orr, Chuck Sartor	4/2/2015 8:29 AM
5	send them out to a dealer for repair	3/31/2015 12:52 PM
6	It's nice to redecorate and have a piece that never was originally made, a true one-of-a-kind.	3/8/2015 4:00 PM

Q3 If you rebuild or refurbish "used up" items, how far would you go to refurbish the chassis?

Answered: 24 Skipped: 2

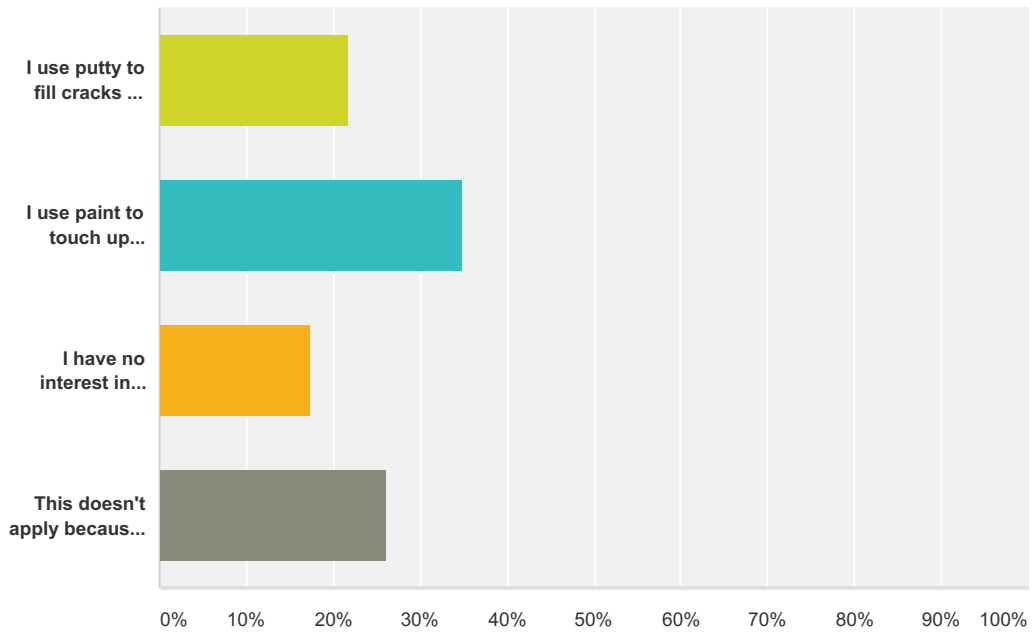


Answer Choices	Responses
Since a chassis is not very visible, I would leave it as-is so long as it remained functional.	16.67% 4
I'd try to make it just runnable but wouldn't make the effort to refurbish it cosmetically.	29.17% 7
I'd work over the chassis to make it into a nice runner.	29.17% 7
Nothing less would satisfy me but making the chassis absolutely like new again.	16.67% 4
I think that metal chassis are beyond my skill and would not attempt to repair one.	8.33% 2
Total	24

#	Comments?	Date
1	At this time, #1 is best but hope in future through practice and experience to take on more challenging projects. Currently do some work on maintaining trains for a local club.	4/12/2015 5:45 AM

Q4 If you rebuild or refurbish "used up" items, how far do you go to refurbish the body shell above the chassis?

Answered: 23 Skipped: 3

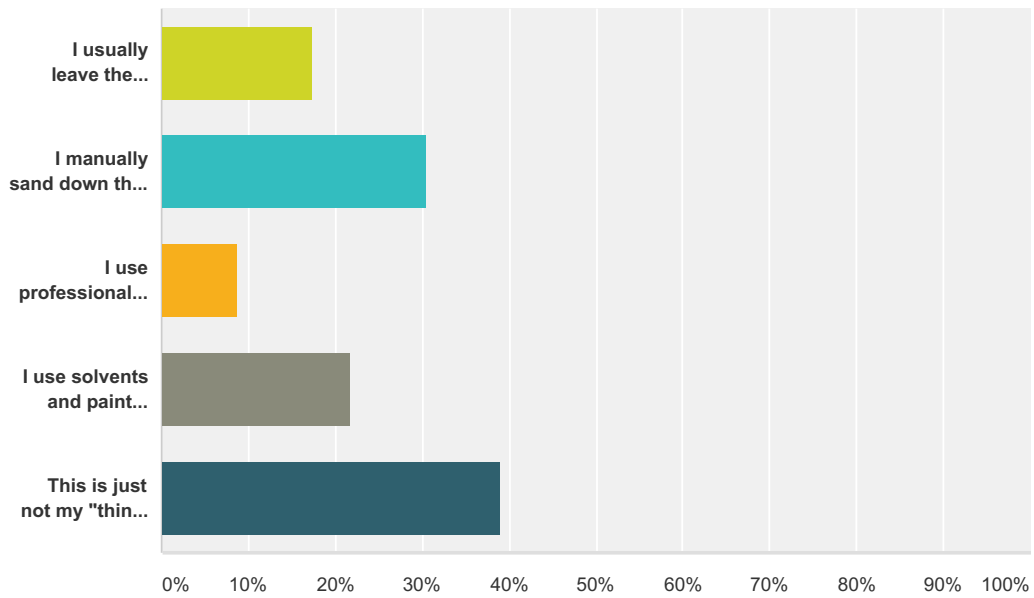


Answer Choices	Responses
I use putty to fill cracks and gouges and sand it smooth before painting.	21.74% 5
I use paint to touch up scratches but I don't do more in-depth "body work."	34.78% 8
I have no interest in such work (or feel that my skills aren't quite up to it) and I buy replacement shells from others.	17.39% 4
This doesn't apply because refurbishing items cosmetically beyond simple cleaning is not part of my hobby activities.	26.09% 6
Total Respondents: 23	

#	Other observations on this question?	Date
1	Same as above answer. Enjoy the work, just need to get to the point where I have the permanent space and time.	4/12/2015 5:45 AM

Q5 How do you prepare a metal or plastic shell for painting?

Answered: 23 Skipped: 3

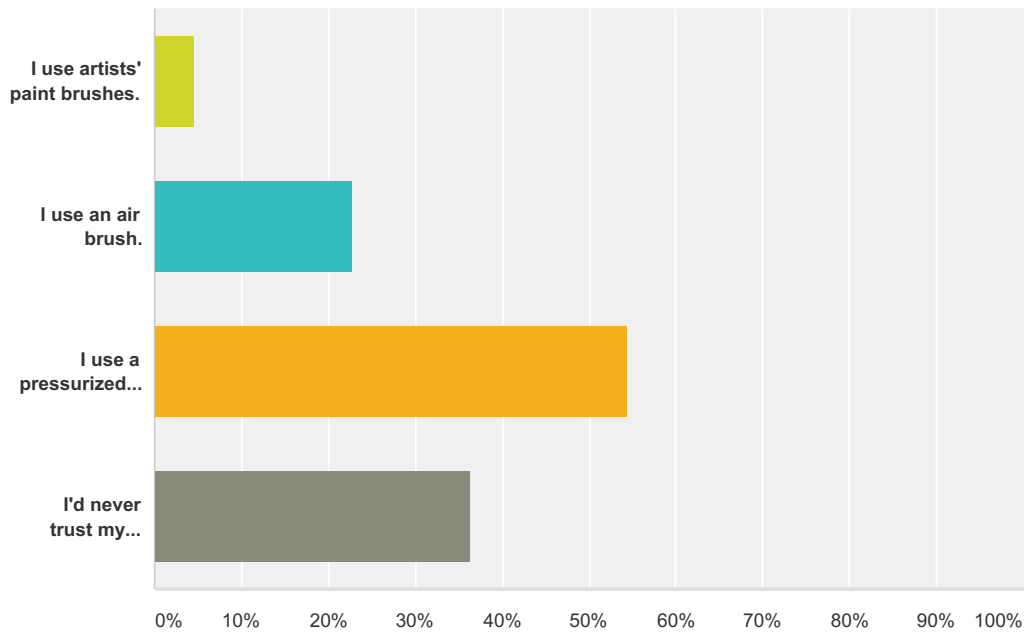


Answer Choices	Responses
I usually leave the original paint and lettering as is and just paint over it.	17.39% 4
I manually sand down the original paint and decoration before painting.	30.43% 7
I use professional sand blasting to remove the original paint and decoration.	8.70% 2
I use solvents and paint removers rather than sanding.	21.74% 5
This is just not my "thing" and I have no desire to do something like this.	39.13% 9
Total Respondents: 23	

#	Comments or observations?	Date
1	Not doing more than just a quick touchup with matching paint if I have it at this time	4/12/2015 5:46 AM
2	It all depends on the item (metal or plastic) how it is refinished	4/2/2015 8:32 AM
3	What I do varies, depending on the value of the item and the condition it is in.	3/4/2015 7:32 PM

Q6 Once the shell is prepared, how do you repaint it?

Answered: 22 Skipped: 4

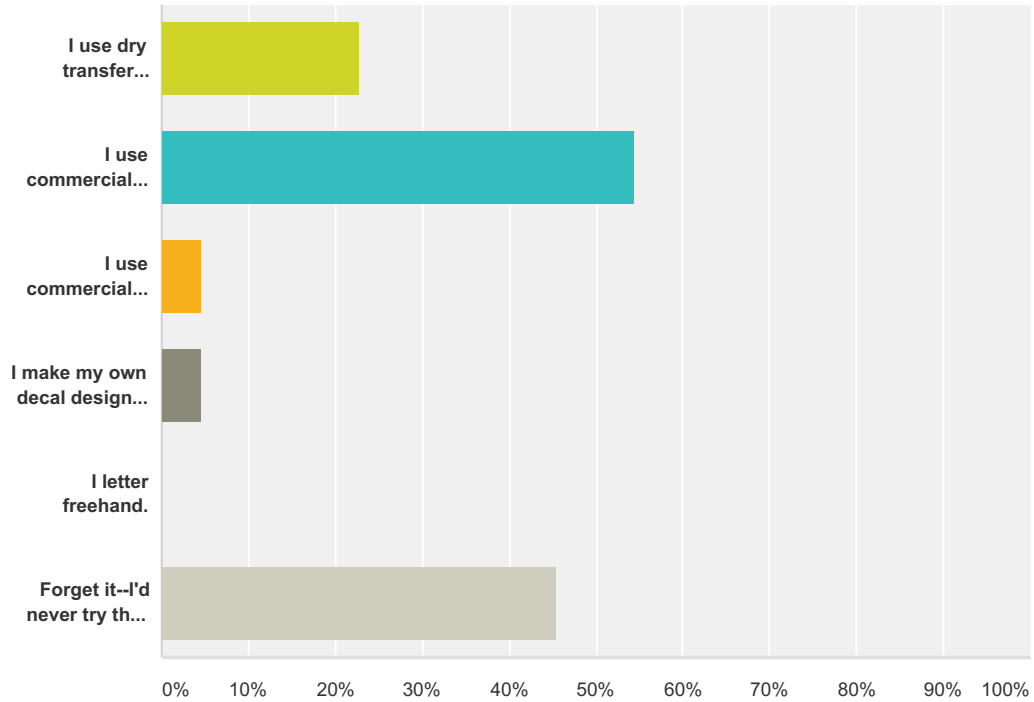


Answer Choices	Responses
I use artists' paint brushes.	4.55% 1
I use an air brush.	22.73% 5
I use a pressurized paint "rattle can."	54.55% 12
I'd never trust my ability to repaint a toy train item (or else I just don't care to).	36.36% 8
Total Respondents: 22	

#	Other ways of applying paint?	Date
1	See above	4/12/2015 5:46 AM
2	I buy spray cans from Weaver.	4/2/2015 8:32 AM

Q7 Once the paint is dry, how do you proceed with additional decoration such as logos and lettering?

Answered: 22 Skipped: 4

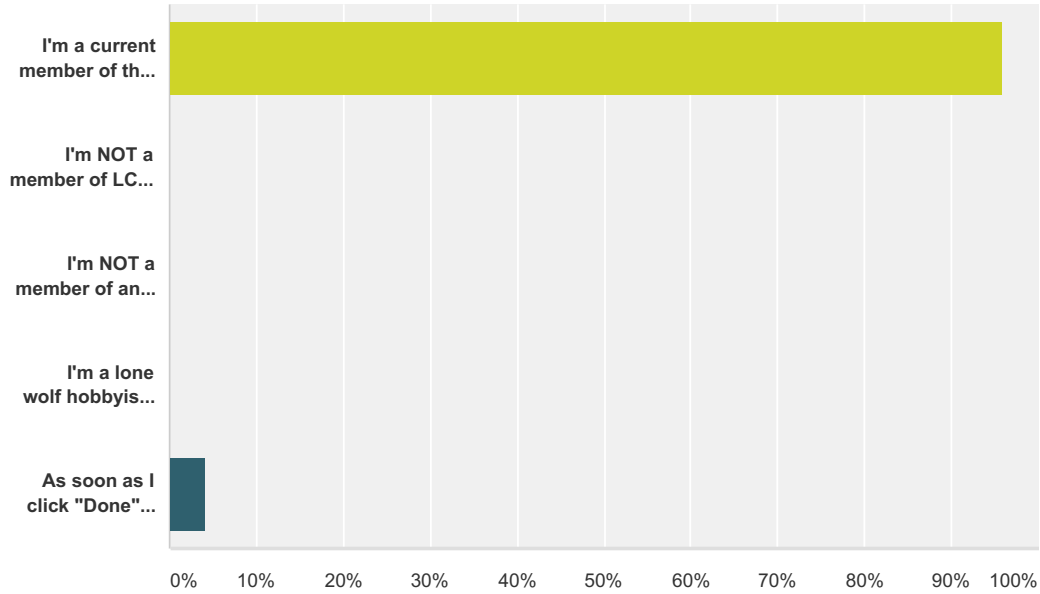


Answer Choices	Responses
I use dry transfer lettering.	22.73% 5
I use commercial water-soluble decals.	54.55% 12
I use commercial pressure-sensitive decals.	4.55% 1
I make my own decal designs and letters with my computer and printer.	4.55% 1
I letter freehand.	0.00% 0
Forget it--I'd never try this myself!	45.45% 10
Total Respondents: 22	

#	Hints, tips or recommendations as to decals, sources, scales, etc.?	Date
1	See above	4/12/2015 5:46 AM

Q8 Please let us know the nature of your train club affiliation. (This question allows multiple answers so that you can select Answer #5 regardless of your other selections.)

Answered: 24 Skipped: 2



Answer Choices	Responses
I'm a current member of the Lionel Collectors Club of America (LCCA).	95.83% 23
I'm NOT a member of LCCA but I AM a member of one or more of the other national train clubs (such as TCA, TTOS, LOTS, etc.)	0.00% 0
I'm NOT a member of any national train club but I AM a member of an organized local club.	0.00% 0
I'm a lone wolf hobbyist and am not a member of any organized train club at all.	0.00% 0
As soon as I click "Done" at the end of this TRAIN TALK session and am automatically taken to the LCCA home page, I'm joining the club or renewing my membership today!	4.17% 1
Total Respondents: 24	