

LCCA TRAIN TALK #22

Q1 What are your favorite railroad songs? If you have a particular album that you'd like to recommend to fellow club members, please name it. If you'd like to tell us why certain songs or albums appeal to you (or even if you don't like such music at all), we welcome all comments.

Answered: 8 Skipped: 6

#	Responses	Date
1	Steve Goodman's City of New Orleans. Gordon Lightfoot's Steel Rail Blues	9/3/2015 7:48 PM
2	Honneger-Locomotive 231 Villa Lobos [?] - The Little Train of the Caipara [sp.?] These are not exactly songs, are they?	8/21/2015 12:14 PM
3	Old country music always referred to railroads.. "riding the rails", etc. I like Jimmy Rodgers quite a bit, Bob Wills & Texas Playboys, Hank Williams and others. This music is not always popular since studio recordings were simple compared to today. There are few STEREO recordings.	8/21/2015 5:13 AM
4	Ridin' on the City of New Orleans	8/18/2015 6:49 AM
5	I don't know any railroad songs other than I've been working on a railroad, and that is not a favorite.	8/11/2015 7:38 AM
6	Orange Blossom Special. I like the old Woodie Guthery songs	8/4/2015 4:45 PM
7	None really	8/4/2015 10:36 AM
8	Perhaps my all-time favorite is "Ballad of the Frisco" by Wayne Moore, followed closely by "Frisco's Tommy Tucker," "Green Light on the Southern," "Verde Valley Line" and "Jerry, Go Ile That Car." Two very good CDs are "Train 45: Railroad Songs Of The Early 1900s" and "A Treasury of American Railroad Songs, Ballads and Folklore." Both include songs that have not been popularized to the point of boredom. Mustn't forget "Life's Railway to Heaven" either; I was told that my grandfather, whom I never knew, used to sing that one when my mother was still a little girl.	7/31/2015 12:27 PM

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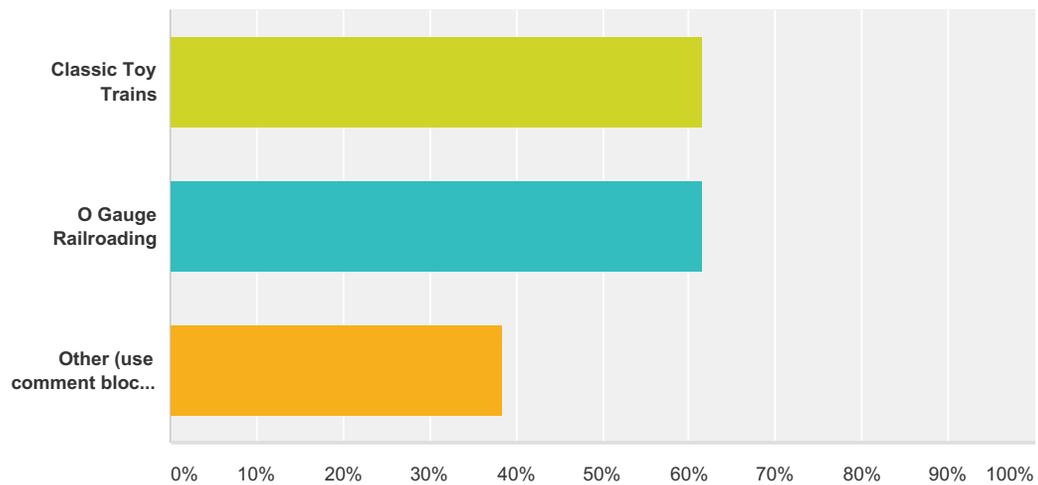
Q2 What are your favorite model railroad books? If you'd like to tell us why certain books appeal to you (or even if you don't like such books at all), all comments are welcome.

Answered: 9 Skipped: 5

#	Responses	Date
1	value books, and general books of tips and instructions.	4/1/2016 4:47 PM
2	The book by Linn Westcott about John Allens' Gorre & Daphetid. John showed how to build a great model railroad and have fun and include some whimsy. Roger Carp has several books that concern toy train history that I think are useful. Getting Started With Lionel Trains by Allen Miller I found helpful when I was able to get back to model trains after a 50 + years absence.	8/21/2015 12:15 PM
3	The Lionel books offering has lots of nice color photos... Rather poor layout plans. Either the editor missed it or the writer never tried these layouts / More careful editing on the technical matters is needed.	8/21/2015 5:20 AM
4	ones about small layout design	8/11/2015 7:42 AM
5	1.The Big Book of Lionel 2nd Edition by Robert Schleicher (2011) A very updated version of #3, with chapters on restoration and repainting as well as Fastrack and Tmcc. 2. Greenburg's Repair and Operating Manual for Lionel Trains 1945-1969 7th Edition (1998) Has almost every single Lionel instruction and repair manual reprinted into one giant book. A go-to resource for repairing postwar Lionel trains. 3.The Lionel Train Book by Robert Schleicher (1986) A go-to guide for conventional lionel trains of the '80s and earlier.	8/10/2015 2:38 PM
6	I don't have a real Coffee Table Book.	8/4/2015 4:47 PM
7	I have not found a good book , I keep looking for billboard box cars	8/4/2015 10:37 AM
8	Greenberg's Guide to Lionel Trains, all volumes and editions. It's interesting to see everything that Lionel produced during each era.	8/1/2015 9:22 AM
9	The most thorough and interestingly written book about Lionel's history is, without doubt, "All Aboard! The Story of Joshua Lionel Cowen & His Lionel Train Company" by Ron Hollander, Workman Publishing, NY, 1981. An updated edition was published in 2000 but doesn't add materially to the excellence of the first edition.	7/31/2015 12:35 PM

Q3 What are your favorite model railroad magazines?

Answered: 13 Skipped: 1



Answer Choices	Responses
Classic Toy Trains	61.54% 8
O Gauge Railroading	61.54% 8
Other (use comment block below to share their titles)	38.46% 5
Total Respondents: 13	

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	The Lion Roars	4/1/2016 4:47 PM
2	O scale Trains. You can steal a lot of ideas from the 2rail guys. I am a long time subscriber to CTT and a present subscriber to OST. I buy OGR at a book store when there is something that interests me.	8/21/2015 12:15 PM
3	We have very, very talented writers in LCCA publication / The Lion Roars	8/21/2015 5:20 AM
4	Lionel Roars and Railroad Model Craftsman	8/11/2015 7:42 AM
5	Although not magazines, searching for and finding Internet articles on different train subjects are enjoyable.	8/1/2015 9:22 AM
6	"Garden Railroading" is also very informative for those interested in outdoor layouts, usually in G gauge.	7/31/2015 12:35 PM

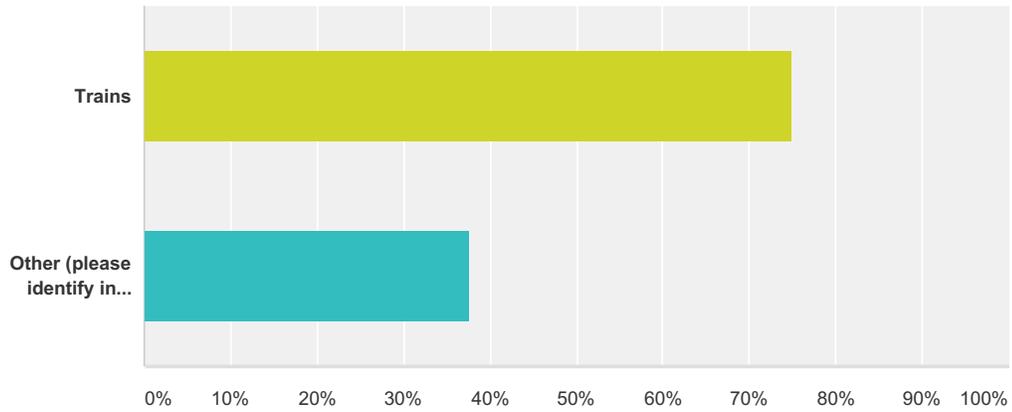
Q4 What are your favorite books about full-size railroads? If you'd like to tell us why these particular books appeal to you (or even if you don't like such books at all), comments are welcome. Just to clarify, or perhaps to stimulate thought, consider books about railroad-related topics, folklore, and so on--anything relating to or inspired by real railroads.

Answered: 5 Skipped: 9

#	Responses	Date
1	The PRR Power,3 volumes, along with B&O power all appeal because they have much info about historical locos and railroads. There are 3 books about railroads in my home area of eastern Ohio that cover the railroads history in the area and there are many photos.	8/21/2015 12:16 PM
2	I am a member of the C&O Historical Society, their periodical is top-notch. They have books and annual conferences.. it's all top notch. I really buy what I remember.. the "coal and ore" railroads the old steam locomotives and rolling stock really interest me most. Rail watching.. SOO and CP when trains pass I usually stop 'n watch. Today, you really don't see much "open" freight.	8/21/2015 5:29 AM
3	History books with pictures	8/11/2015 7:42 AM
4	I have the Louisville &Nashville Atlanta Division Book.I like this book because of all the pictures of old steam from the early years when i was to young to appreciate them.	8/4/2015 4:54 PM
5	I love "Scalded to Death by the Steam" by Katie Letcher Lyle (Algonquin Books, 1983). The subtitle tells it all (or most of it): "Authentic stories of railroad disasters and the ballads that were written about them." Fully 24 disaster ballads, mainly in Appalachia, are examined in their historical context, and the writing is captivating. A wide-ranging and scholarly work is "Long Steel Rail: The Railroad in American Folksong" by Norm Cohen (University of Illinois Press, 1981; 2nd edition in 2000). This is probably THE reference for looking up just about every historical American railroad song. Yep, I do like railroad-inspired music, especially in the folk song tradition.	7/31/2015 12:46 PM

Q5 What are your favorite magazines dealing with full-size railroads?

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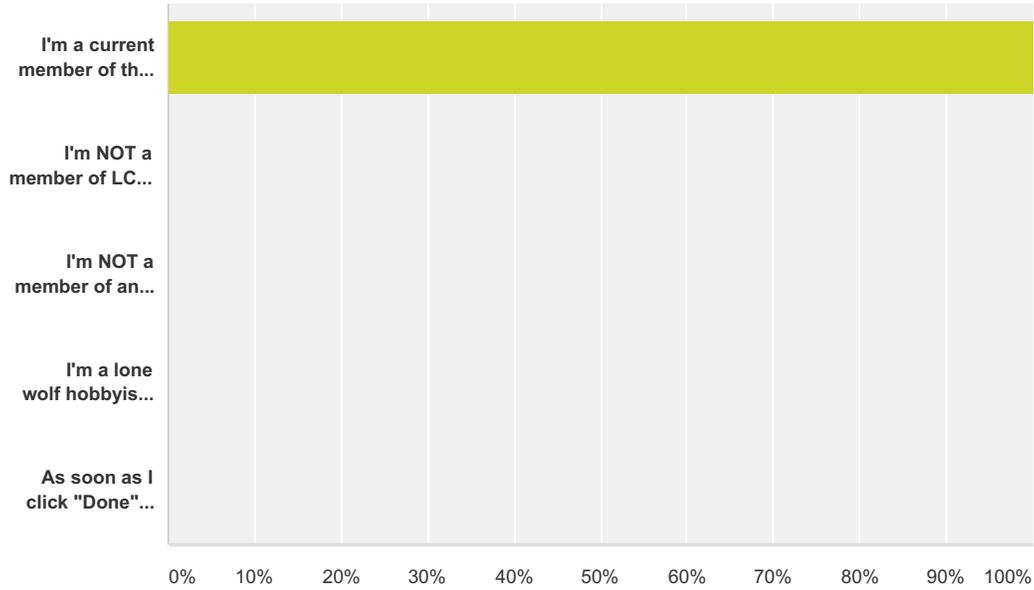


Answer Choices	Responses
Trains	75.00% 6
Other (please identify in comment block below)	37.50% 3
Total Respondents: 8	

#	Other magazine titles:	Date
1	Classic trains and TRP. I was a subscriber to Trains for over 40 years but some editorial changes were made and I dropped the subscription. Now I buy if it has anything of interest.	8/21/2015 12:16 PM
2	TRAINS magazine. I buy off the news stand.	8/21/2015 5:29 AM
3	Railfan & Railroad	8/11/2015 7:42 AM
4	Again, not magazines, but Railroad Historical Society websites offer a ton of information on your favorite full-sized railroads.	8/1/2015 9:25 AM

Q6 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: 12 Skipped: 2



Answer Choices	Responses
I'm a current member of the Lionel Collectors Club of America (LCCA).	100.00% 12
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!	0.00% 0
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