

**INTERNATIONAL DIRECTORY OF 3 ½" (89 mm) Gauge,  
North-American-Prototype Live Steam Locomotives  
and Foreign-Prototype Models Located in North America**

**Part 3: 2-8-0 to 2-6-6-6**

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We currently have **25** entries in this file, 558 total.

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**2-8-0**

280.B&O2688.DiSantis

Date page created: 29 November 2018

Plans or castings from: castings and parts apparently from DiSantis

Lettering: Baltimore & Ohio #2668

Scale: 1:16

Owner: unknown

Contact: Since DiSantis was from the Northeastern LS, someone such as Bob Hornsby of Texas will know more: "bobhornsbye6(at)gmail(dot)com"

Builder: the late Frank DiSantis of Wappingers Falls NY

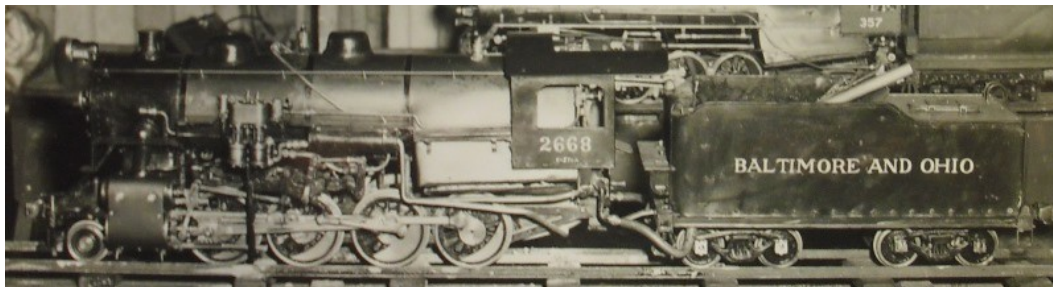
Year completed: not later than 1950

Year acquired by present owner: unknown

History, comments:

The IBLS website reports that DiSantis had this loco and a  $\frac{3}{4}$ " Pennsy K4 running at the Brotherhood of Live Steamers meet in Danvers MA, 6-8 October 1950. The following year he was running a new 4-4-0 #999. He also has an 1870s-style 4-4-0 in this directory. His name was also spelled "DeSantis".

Bob Hornsby wrote on the NELS webpage: "If you were fortunate enough to have a DeSantis-built (sic) locomotive, you had a high-quality and authentic engine. Frank's engines were mostly scratch built." Frank began building locos in the 1930s.



2-8-0

280.Buffalo.Christopher

Date page created: 19 November 2015, revised: 10 October 2016

Modeled after or castings from: Martin Evans' "Buffalo", freelance

Lettering: New York Central #4600, "Minnehaha"

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Chris Giles of Seabrook/Kent in the UK

Contact: Chris is on Facebook

Builder: „Christopher“, the previous owner, fitted a new boiler.

Year completed: unknown

Year acquired by present owner: Sept. 2016

History, comments:

Chris wrote on Facebook on 9 Oct. 2016: "My first outing with 4600 at Mote Park Maidstone at the MMES today, very happy with her performance". That is the Maidstone Model Engineering Society near Sevenoaks southeast of London.

I notice the drivers are much bigger than the regular 51" on the Buffalo.



2-8-0

280.Buffalo.Corunna

Date page created or revised: 20 September 2015

Modeled after or castings from: Martin Evans' „Buffalo“

Lettering: Canadian National #8347

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Ron Corunna from Western PA

Contact: "ron(at)ronsmodelengines(dot)com" or "www.ronsmodelengines.com"

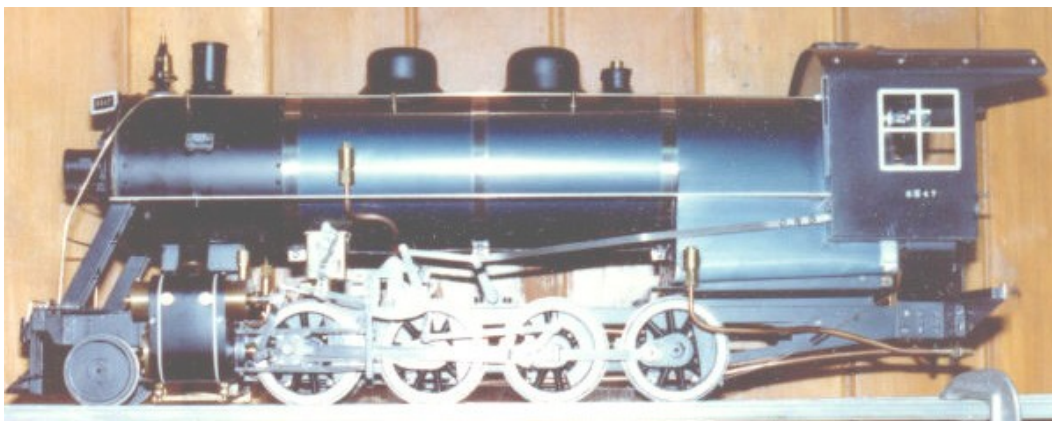
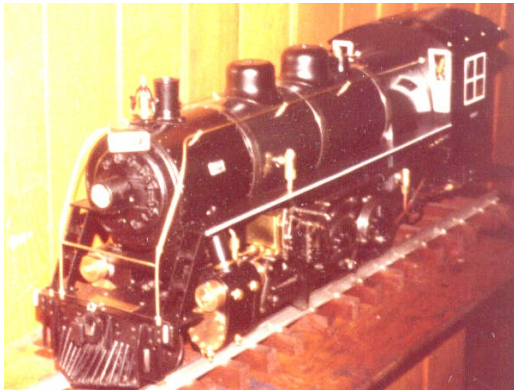
Builder: Ron Corunna

Year completed: unknown

History, comments:

Ron writes: "This locomotive is a Martin Evans design built from the book "Caribou." I added the front pony truck, which was shown as an option. This version is called "Buffalo" in the book. It is equipped with Baker valve gear and piston valves. The large port areas to and from the cylinders make this a speedy engine even with the small drivers. It has quite a bit of pulling power and it was able to pull a train with nine adults at the local track. It's an easy steamer as it has a copper boiler and a large grate area. I originally built the boiler with a stainless steel outer wrapper, but that didn't work out too well. Adhesion of the silver solder to the outer shell was poor and leaks developed after numerous heat cycles."

(I personally like the CN front very much!)



2-8-0

280.Buffalo.unknown

Date page created or revised: 09 January 2016

Modeled after or castings from: Martin Evans' "Buffalo"

Lettering: Canadian National #2316

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Unknown. Advertised on the "Station Road Steam" website in Jan.2016.

Contact: Try the "Station Road Steam" website in UK.

Builder: unknown

Year completed: unknown

Year acquired by present owner: unknown,

History, comments:

Loco has a marine boiler, which means a round firebox. "Station Road" wrote; "Silver-soldered copper boiler, 80psi working pressure, feed by axle pump and injector with auxiliary hand pump in the tender. Gunmetal cylinders with piston valves actuated by Baker gear. The engine was in regular use until 2014 when it came to us as part of an exchange. Boiler is in good order, it runs well. But the piston valves are passing steam and will need attention."





2-8-0

280.C&O.Richards

Date page created or revised: 16 June 2016

Modeled after or castings from: patterned freely after C&O

Lettering: Chesapeake & Ohio #1804

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Rick Richards of New Jersey LS

Contact: Try New Jersey LS webpage

Builder: Rick Richards

Year completed: unknown

History, comments:

Photo taken by Steve Bratina at New Jersey LS in May 2016 and published on the Chaski LS forum.



2-8-0

280.free.Loomie

Date page created: 13 December 2019  
Modeled after or castings from: unknown  
Lettering: #44  
Scale: 1:16

Owner: Paul Loomie of NYC  
Contact: The phone of the NY attorney Paul Loomie is 212-465-9200.

Builder: probably Ed Loomie, the father of Paul  
Year completed: unknown

History, comments:  
This photo from Facebook was taken at the Tinkerbell Society, Long Island Division, on 19 October 2019.



2-8-0

280.free.VanBrocklin29

Date page created: 23 July 2017, last revised 22 December 2019

Plans or castings from: heavy 2-8-0 from Van Brocklin

Lettering: Boston & Albany #1029

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Russ Page of Haverhill MA and the Waukashum LS

Contact: Pat Fahey at "faheypat22(at)yahoo(dot)com" will know more.

Builder: The late Bill Van Brocklin Jr., Dover MA. He built approx. 41 locos – this is his 29<sup>th</sup> loco.

Year completed: 1986

Year acquired by present owner: August 2018 from Dave Karlson, who had obtained the loco from Van Brocklin in 1988.

History, comments:

Here's the only 2-8-0 Van Brocklin built! The heavy boiler and superstructure remind one of his heavy 4-6-0's.

As of 2018, Russ Page works as a locomotive engineer for Clark's Trading Post in Lincoln NH.

The photo was made by Yoder at the Waushakum LS on 24 Aug. 2018.





2-8-0

280.NdeM.Morris

Date page created: 16 June 2018

Modeled after or castings from: Nacionales de Mexico prototype

Lettering: #622

Scale: 36"-gauge works out to a scale of 1:10.29

Owner: Rob Morris of Healdsburg CA

Contact: Rob can be contacted via the Chaski forum webpage.

Builder: apparently Rob Morris

Year completed: unknown

History, comments:

On Chaski forum, Rob lists the prototype as NdeM #269. Photo posted on Chaski, 18 July 2010.



2-8-0

280.REA.Dimond

Date page created: 2 January 2016, revised 22 December 2019

Modeled after or castings from: Reading prototype, Friends cylinders and drivers only

Lettering: Reading #2017, but none in 2011

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Larry Micol of the Waushakum LS

Contact: Pat Fahey of the Waushakum LS at "faheypat22(at)yahoo(dot)com" knows more.

Builder: George M. Dimond (1920-2008) from Leominster MA and the Waushakum Live Steamers

Year completed: 1971

Year acquired by present owner: 1997. Loco needed boiler work when sold. Rebuilt by Larry Micol. Returned to service in July 2009 when it ran at the Montreal LS anniversary.

History, comments:

Photo taken by George Dimond in August 1991; photo now property of Pat Fahey.

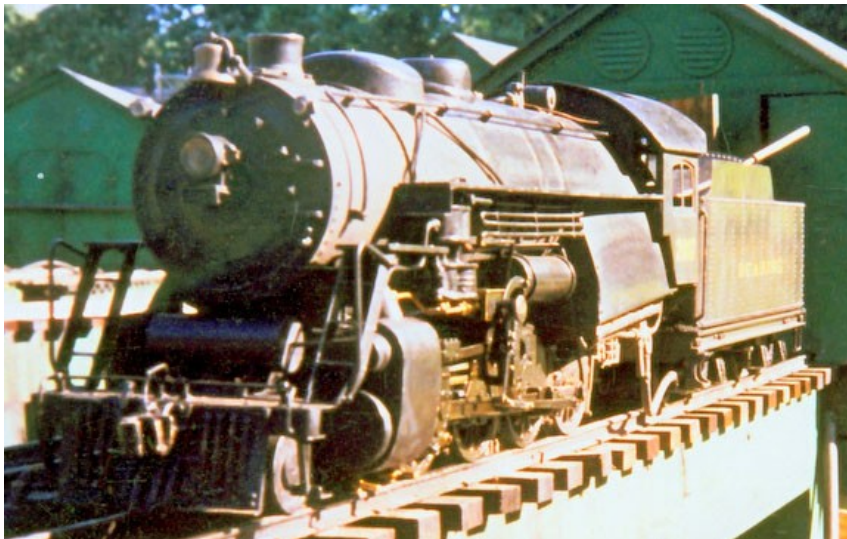


Photo at New Jersey LS, 2011



2-8-2T

282T.free.VanBrocklin37

Date entry created: 28 July 2017, last revised 21 December 2019

Plans or castings from: Bill Van Brocklin

Lettering: #37. Initially named and lettered "Claudia".

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Larry Simoneau in RI

Contact: Pat Fahey at "faheypat22(at)yahoo(dot)com" should know more.

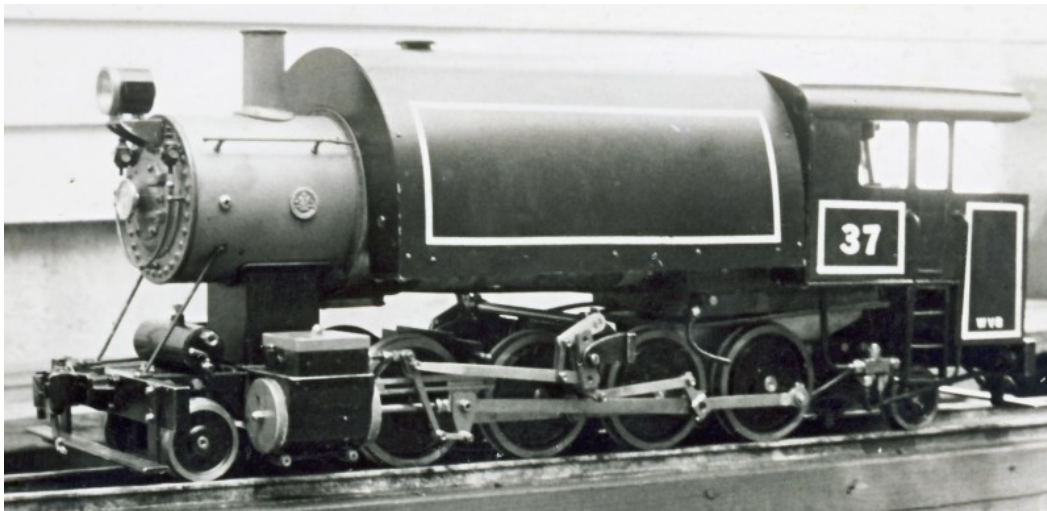
Builder: Bill Van Brocklin (1919-2000) from Dover MA, his 37th loco. He built approx. 41 locos.

Year completed: Built 1992. According to Pat Fahey's roster, this is the only 2-8-2T built by Van Brocklin.

Year acquired by present owner: unknown

History, comments:

Photo probably taken shortly after 1992.



## 2-8-2

282.Buffalo.unknown

Date page created: 03 February 2018

Modeled after or castings from: Martin Evans' Caribou (0-8-0) or Buffalo (2-8-0) converted to 2-8-2

Lettering: Santa Fe #271

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Jason Pattison of UK

Contact: try Facebook or Youtube

Builder: unknown

Year completed: unknown

Year acquired by present owner: unknown

History, comments:

From video published on Youtube, 4 June 2016. Loco apparently in UK. The low drivers remind one of a logging-road 2-8-2.





## 2-8-2

282.Buffalo.unknown

Date page created: 25 June 2018

Modeled after or castings from: Martin Evans' Caribou (0-8-0) or Buffalo (2-8-0) converted to 2-8-2

Lettering: none as of 2017

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Seller from Abington region UK and belongs to the Northampton Society of ME  
Contact: The Northampton club via "nsme.co.uk".

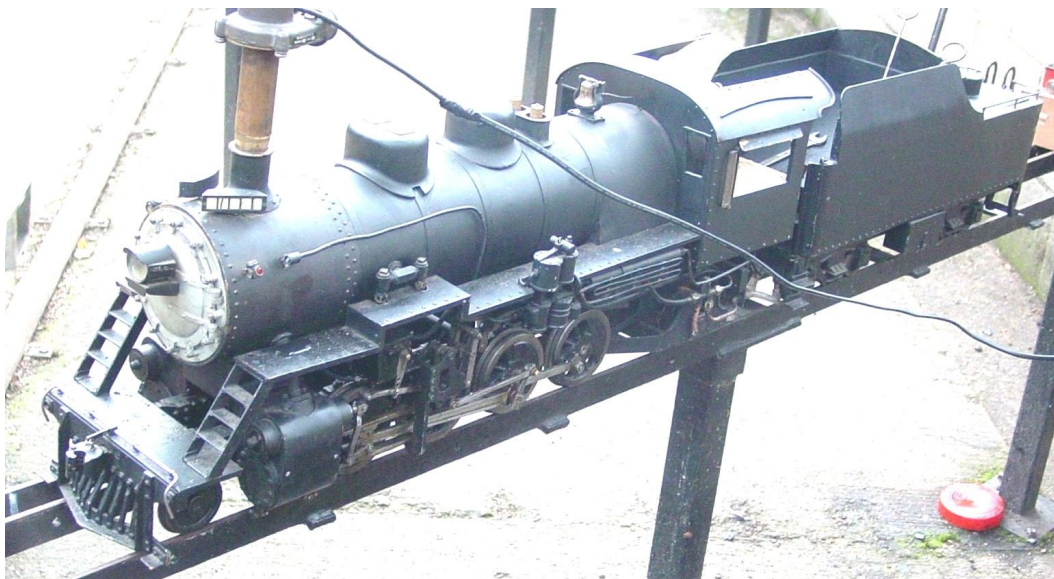
Builder: unknown

Year completed: unknown

Year acquired by present owner: unknown

### History, comments

Offered for sale on UK eBay, Jan. 2018. Loco in running condition. White smokebox door and above-center light reminds one of Central Vermont.





2-8-2

282.CN.unknown

Date page created or revised: created 30 May 2016, revised 11 July 2016

Modeled after or castings from: approximate prototype is Canadian National

Lettering: Canadian National #5428 – but this number would only fit Canadian Pacific

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Bernie Grow of Montreal Live Steamers

Contact: Montreal Live Steamers or via Facebook

Builder: unknown

Year completed: 1999

Year acquired by present owner: May 2016

History, comments:

These photos are is from the “Steam Days” website in UK. They sold the loco to Bernie Grow. Has two injectors, hand pump inside chassis, steam brakes, working headlight.



2-8-2

282.free.Mackie

Date page created: 25 November 2018  
Modeled after or castings from: freelance  
Lettering: C&NW #2599  
Scale: 1:16

Owner: unknown

Contact: Cap Purinton may know more. He can be reached via John Kurdzionak of Friends Models.

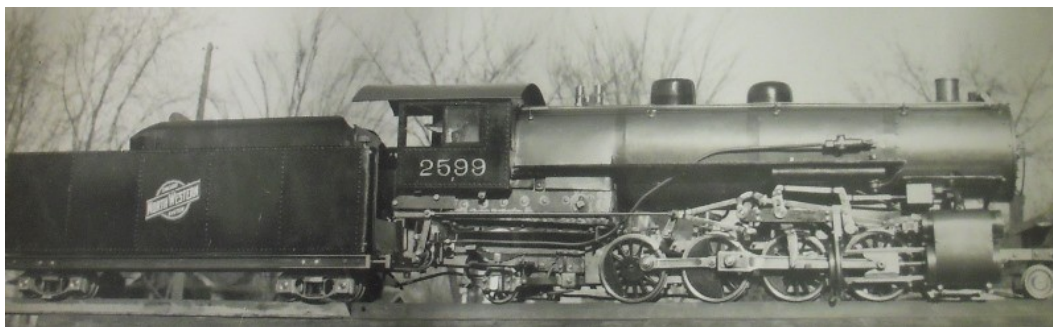
Builder: the late David Mackie, Ashland WI

Year completed: unknown

Year acquired by present owner: unknown

History, comments:

Looks like Young valve gear. This photo is from Nov. 1952. The albums owned by Cap Peterson have at least three photos; the most recent one shows the loco running at Winnipeg on 1 Sept. 1955.



2-8-2

282.free.Smythe

Date page created: 27 June 2017, last revised 13 December 2019

Modeled after or castings from: 1/2"-scale 2-8-4 by Harry Sait

Lettering: "North Western", I believe

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Nate Heffner, apparently of eastern PA

Contact: Nate Heffner is on Facebook

Builder: the late Joe Smythe of Lynn MA, rebuilt by the late Arnold Thompson

Year completed: approx. 1937 in the original form

Year acquired by present owner: 2018

History, comments:

According to John Kurdzionak and Larry Micol on the 3/4" Facebook page on 25 Dec. 2018, this loco began life as a 1/2"-scale 2-8-4 done to the plans of Harry Sait and built by Joe Smythe! Arnold Thompson of Marblehead MA then turned it into a 3 1/2"-gauge 2-8-2. Later owned by Al Hubbard. Owned by Andy Bauer in June 2017 when it was advertised on eBay. It was on the front cover of "The Modelmaker" mag in 1939 in its original form.

Nate Heffner wrote on Facebook on 25 Dec. 2018: "After hearing about the history behind the loco, I plan on leaving her as is, but will get some new paint and new parts to spruce her up. She's in good hands now."

This photo is from eBay in June 2017. Bottom photo is from the "Backyard Railroading" Facebook page, 16 June 2019.





2-8-2

282.free.Steele

Date page created: 13 April 2016, last revised 22 December 2019

Modeled after or castings from: freelance

Lettering: Waushakum

Scale: 1:16

Owners: Doug and Jay Hill of Waushakum LS

Contact: Pat Fahey at "faheypat22(at)yahoo(dot)com" knows more.

Builder: the late Norman Steele

Year completed: before 1945

Year acquired by present owners: 2012 from Pat Fahey

History, comments:

Shot from the Facebook page of Pat Fahey, Nov. 2013. Needing new piston rings, the loco has not run since approx. 2013.



This looks very much like the same locomotive with an earlier tender. Photo taken in 1954 when the loco was owned by Fred Crowell. Then lettered New Haven #3103. Shot copied from the albums owned by Cap Purinton in Aug. 2018.



2-8-2

282.free.Stevens

Date page created: 14 February 2016, last revised 13 Aug. 2018

Modeled after or castings from: Freelance. Lettered for a S-1-e Grand Trunk/Canadian National Mike of 1921.

Lettering: Menotomy Central #3404

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Don Ritchie, Charlton MA, of Pioneer Valley LS and Waushakum LS.

Contact: His email is: „dbritchie(at)aol(dot)com“.

Builder: the late Gene Stevens of Norway ME

Year completed: 1944-45

Year acquired by present owner: 1972

History, comments:

According to Don Ritchie, did not run 1975-2009. Shot taken 13 August 2011 at Pioneer Valley LS.



Bottom photo from about 1945 on Chaski, 8 March 2009.





2-8-2

282.GT.Dimond

Date page created or revised: 20 October 2015

Modeled after or castings from: George Dimond. Loco is scratch-built except for cylinders, drivers, domes and couplers.

Lettering: Grand Trunk #3704

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Steve Bratina, Cambridge ON

Contact: Chaski Live Steam forum

Builder: George M. Dimond (1920-2008) from Leominster MA and the Waushakum LS

Year completed: Approx. 1975

Year acquired by present owner: unknown

History, comments:

This loco began life as Maine Central #623 and got its present identity, including the Elesco heater, around 1989. Steve Bratina wrote in 2009: "The cab had a cut in it so George could see the gauge glass in his later years. I filled in the opening and added an arch and corn grates."



Appearance in April 1988. Shot from Pat Fahey.



2-8-2

282.SOU4885.unknown

Date page created or revised: 12 January 2017

Modeled after or castings from: largely free-lance, perhaps Friends castings

Lettering: Southern #4885

Scale: 1:16

Owner: unknown

Contact: Try for ex. the Mid-South LS at Columbia TN.

Builder: unknown

Year completed: approx. 1950s

Year acquired by present owner: unknown

History, comments:

This shot and similar ones were marketed on eBay in late 2016. See for ex:

"464.NYC5297.Langworthy". This shot also taken at Charlotte NC in Oct. 1967.



## 2-8-4

284.Erie3389.unknown

Date page created: 14 August 2016

Modeled after or castings from: Erie

Lettering: Erie #3389

Scale: 1:16

Owner: unknown

Contact: Steve Bratina from Cambridge ON and the Chaski LS forum may know more.

Builder: unknown

Year completed: unknown

Year acquired by present owner: unknown

History, comments:

Photo taken by Steve Bratina at the 50th anniversary New Jersey LS meet, September 2011.

Published on the Chaski LS forum, Oct. 2011.



2-8-4

284.free.Leggett

Date page created: 20 October 2015, last revised 13 December 2019

Modeled after or castings from: free-lance

Lettering: TS&PH (Toad Swamp & Punk Hollow) #X666. Called "Black Betty".

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Jim Leggett, Saint-Lambert QC and the Montreal LS

Contact: 450-672-6666 or "jimleggettmedia(at)gmail(dot)com"

Builder: the late A.W. Leggett

Year completed: 1940s

Year acquired by present owner: unknown

History, comments:

Jim wrote on Facebook on 2 June 2019: "She was a last minute choice to return to service for our 85th (anniversary meet) after being retired at the Waushakum meet in 2015. She still has not received the full restoration she deserves, but this workhorse has revitalized piston rings, a replacement spring on the lead truck and many other small repairs and maintenance items done with a few more to do. But she runs!"

Photo taken at the Montreal LS, 22 Nov. 2009.



2-8-4

284.free.Reithmaier

Date page created or revised: 01 July 2016

Plans or castings from: freelance

Lettering: unclear

Scale: 1:16

Owner: unknown

Contact: Bob Hornsby in Texas should know more: "bobhornsbye6(at)gmail(dot)com"

Builder: the late Paul Reithmaier (1893-1986) of Oak Park IL and Bavaria/Germany. He built roughly 15 locos, both in Germany and the USA.

Year completed: Dec. 1958

Year acquired by present owner: apparently 2004

History, comments:

Reithmaier was building steam in the US as early as 1927. He moved back to Germany in 1963, taking two Northern's with him. This 2-8-4 was listed for sale in an Internet auction in Sept. 2004. They wrote: "Paul Reithmaier wrote about the construction of this locomotive in the September 24, 1959 issue of 'Model Engineer'. A complete description appears on page 196. He began to build this locomotive (his tenth) in July, 1957 and completed it in December, 1958. After that he operated it on a 600-foot-long track in Oak Forest, Illinois."

Loco sold with tender. Info from a link on the IBLS webpage.





## 2-10-2

2102.B&M3018.Dimond

Date page created: 26 February 2017, last revised 22 December 2019

Drawings or castings from: George Dimond

Lettering: Boston and Maine #3018

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Steven Dimond, the son of George

Contact: Pat Fahey from the Waushakum club knows more; "faheypat22(at)yahoo(dot)com"

Builder: George M. Dimond (1920-2008) from Leominster MA and the Waushakum Live Steamers

Year completed: 1994, Dimond's last loco

Year acquired by present owner: 2010

History, comments:

Photo taken by Pat Fahey at the Waukashum LS on 19 May 2002



## 2-10-4

2104.CV707.Hildreth

Date page created: 09 January 2016, last revised 22 Dec. 2019

Drawings or castings from: Hildreth

Lettering: Central Vermont #707

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Offered for sale on the "Discover Live Steam" webpage, Oct. 2017. Joe Cardelle of Waushakum LS is the seller.

Contact: Pat Fahey from the Waushakum club knows more; "faheypat22(at)yahoo(dot)com".

Builder: the late George Hildreth

Year completed: unknown

Year acquired by present owner: unknown

History, comments:

The ad on the DLS webpage states: „2-10-4 with 10 freight cars, steel boiler, all in good condition”.

Pat Fahey wrote the author in Dec. 2015: "Joe Cardelle bought the engine in pieces as a basket case. But Joe did a rebuild and the loco is running today." The prototype was the last 2-10-4 used by Central Vermont, Feb. 1957. Photo from the Wausahkum newsletter, July 2009.

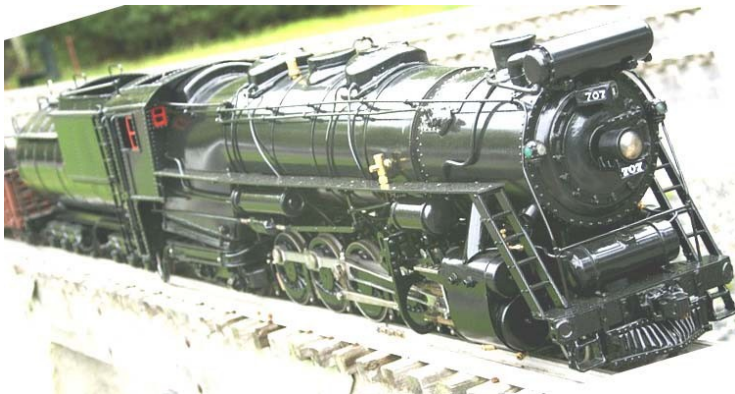


Photo from the ad on Discover Live Steam, Oct. 2017



**2-6-6-6**

2666.C&O1600.Balmer

Date page created: 2 August 2015, last revised 23 July 2017

Drawings or castings from: C&O Allegheny, castings mostly from Balmer

Lettering: Chesapeake & Ohio #1600

Scale: 1:16

Owner: Chuck Balmer of Urbana OH, member of "Cincinnati Cinder Sniffers"

Contact: Cinder Sniffers and their paper "Mud Ring" in the Internet

Builder: Chuck and Jim Balmer of Balmer Locomotive Works. Chuck has built four steamers (beside diesels) and has bought at least four more. All are 1:16.

Year completed: 2013 after 14,000 hours. Project begun 1976, but work only began in earnest in 2006.

History, comments:

This loco has exquisite detail. Stu Harrod wrote 2012: This is "a true masterpiece! It has fully- functioning scale air pumps, a Worthington feedwater heater, air brakes, a true-sounding whistle, low water alarm, turbo generator and blow-down muffler." Propane-fired.

Photo from Facebook was taken 8 July 2017. Looks like the final teething problems are being worked out this year.

