



**(Photo 5) Outer end of Left-hand Bridges module prior to attaching to end loop module.**

Photo (5) shows how the outer ends of the Bridges Canyon module taper to match with standard 2' wide Ntrak modules. The "public" side of the left module is seen on the right side of the picture. Note the 3-track main and Mountain Division tracks which have the standard 2.5 inch setback from the module end. To the left of the sky board is a DCC programming and test run track. Note the access ports, compliance with Ntrak standard clamping zone requirements for deep modules, and turnout leading to one of the 2 passing sidings on the lowest level.

At Winterfest 2004, this module was connected to the Club's end-loop which allowed DCC operation on the private track and Mountain Division (MD) of Bridges Canyon to be connected to the MD and Yellow Line of the end loop. The right-hand end of Bridges Canyon was attached to another module designed and built by Bob -- the Black Hole Mine, an intriguing display in itself.

To better appreciate what I have attempted to show, I strongly suggest that you take a close look at the bottoms and backsides of the Bridges Canyon module at the very next opportunity.



**August 5 to August 9, 2004**

### **Convention Update by John Drye**

We have passed 200 registrants in March. If only my NCAA Basketball Tournament predictions were as good. Along with the 100+ who have registered for our NSC "partner" convention, we are already just about the biggest NTRAK convention since 1996. Early Bird registration will end May 15, so if you haven't registered yet, join the crowd.

Speaking of registering, please send **Matt Schaefer** your module information ASAP. We need to start figuring out just how we're going to fill all those modules into 50,000 sq feet. Don't be left out! We have folks already registered from Japan and New Zealand, not to mention California, New Mexico and Texas.

A preliminary schedule of events has been posted on the Convention Website [www.ntrak2004.org](http://www.ntrak2004.org), thanks to Marc Sisk and Bill Rutherford. The schedule shows just how many great events have already been scheduled. Where else can one find a convention that provides a free shuttle bus to one of the most popular museums in the world? (see Saturday, shuttle to the Dulles Air and Space Museum--even though it doesn't have trains, it's pretty neat!)

If you are interested in putting on a clinic, please contact **Clint Hyde**: [clinics.2004@nvntrak.org](mailto:clinics.2004@nvntrak.org). We expect to have quite a variety of presenters, so sign up soon.

The list of manufacturers and vendors who will be at the Greenberg Train Show on Saturday and Sunday is growing as well. In addition to the folks we usually see, Granddad's Hobby Shop, MB Klein's, Neal's N-Gauging Trains, Tex-N-Rails, Athearn, Atlas, Bachman, deLuxe Innovations, Intermountain, Kato, and many others.

### **For Sale**



These two lantern for sale. Just make and offer. Contact Roland Kelley by phone or email: [rkrbbb14@msn.com](mailto:rkrbbb14@msn.com).

### **Hub Division, Spring 2004**

### **Convention & Train Show**

**Holiday Inn  
Peabody, Massachusetts**

**Saturday April 24, 2004  
10 am to 4 pm**

If you are looking for something to do on Saturday try this.

Holiday Inn is at 1 Newburg Street (U.S. Route 1) at Ward, Peabody, MA. Take Rte. 128 (I-95) Exit 44.

### **Your Newsletter Roland Kelley**

Would like to thank everyone that has elected to receive the Newsletter via E-mail. It does save time for me and money for the Club. I would like to have more of you consider the E-mail version. We have not even reached 50% of the members. Please re-consider if you are still receiving it by mail. Would like to receive an e-mail for you if you are willing to change as I then can confirm I have the correct e-mail address. [rkrbbb14@msn.com](mailto:rkrbbb14@msn.com)