

**Northside – North – Norfolk, VA**  
*Layout #9*

**2026 MER Convention – Tracks to Tidewater**  
*Layout Tour Book & Operating Sessions Guide*

The PNE			<i>Open for Viewing (free)</i>		<i>Operating Sessions \$10</i>	
<b>Owner:</b> <i>Chuck Davis</i>			<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Time(s)</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Time(s)</i>
HO		Trackwork, electrical, and scenery 100%	Friday			9:30am-12:30pm
<b>Accessibility:</b> the layout is located in an unattached garage.			Saturday			
<b>Website:</b> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/119032054779790/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/119032054779790/</a>					8 Operators	

The PNE is set in the early 1950s and is a proto-freelance-type layout. The operations are based on a previous layout and still incorporate many of the aspects of that old layout. The original version of this layout stretches from a connection to the PRR at just north of Harrisburg along the south shoulder of Blue Mountain, up through New Jersey, New York up over the Poughkeepsie Bridge, and into New England. The central portion of the layout modeled consists of a passenger terminal, freight yard, and an engine terminal. Trains enter and exit through an active staging area or fiddle yard. There are through freights, through and local passengers, and local freight, running with steam and first-generation diesel.

