

Alan Belcher's Covered Hopper Project

On April 22, 2020, Alan Belcher wrote:

I hope you are all well. I've attached a PDF file that describes a modeling project I started about 10 days ago.

I bought four plastic covered hopper kits about two weeks ago. Not that I need more kits to assemble, like most modelers I have many put aside for future assembly. At this point, I still have some weathering to do on three of the cars, but they are mostly done. I wish I could visit the NWV store to see if there's something there I would enjoy building! Instead, I troll eBay looking for cars that I know I don't have, as I whittle away at a car here & there from my stash.

I hope my procedure gives you some ideas. And, I hope that soon we can have an operating session at the Club. Real soon! I miss Wednesday evenings in Essex.

Alan

On April 25, 2020, Alan Belcher wrote:

Hi, fellow model railroaders. I finished the covered hoppers, so I thought I'd forward a couple of images of the cars.

I find that I get into ruts with my modeling, and the latest is covered hoppers. I have another Bowser car I'm custom painting for Maine Central, and bought a Walthers PS-2 covered hopper

that should arrive this week.

Meanwhile, I'm also making real wood pulpwood loads for my fleet of pulp cars. That will probably be my next how-to message.

Stay safe out there!

Alan





A closer look:

