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LIVE STEAMERS
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The Call Boy

New Club Rolling Stock

Under strict supervision, Rick Reeves assembles the frame for one of the club's new riding cars. Or maybe he's showing Jerry Kimberlin how it's done. Meanwhile Rich Croll and Walt Oellerich discuss assembly errors found in the blueprints that came with the package. New trucks are lined up and painted on the shop track. These are heavy duty and should last for many runs.

Event Calendar

April

4/10/16 GGLS Member Meeting
4/10/16 GGLS Board Meeting

May

5/15/16 GGLS Member Meeting
5/15/16 GGLS Board Meeting
5/20-22/16 SVLS Spring Meet
5/28-29/16 LALS Spring Meet

June

6/4-5/16 Redwood Valley Meet
6/12/16 GGLS Member Meeting
6/12/16 GGLS Board Meeting
6/25/16 GGLS Spring Meet
6/26/16 GGLS Open House

July

7/04/16 Lou Bradas Memorial Run
7/04/16 SVLS 4th of July Run
7/10/16 GGLS Member Meeting
7/10/ GGLS Board Meeting
7/23-24/16 PV&A Invitational

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Deadline for submittal to next months' issue is 15th of the month

Announcements

If you haven't paid your dues by the time you read this edition of the Call Boy, you are no longer considered a member and have access to the Club Facility. As of April 1st, (no joke) you will be considered as a new member and have to pay an additional $25.00 plus membership dues to be reinstated. Many took advantage of the "pre New Year's discount" and saved money by renewing early!

Golden Gate Live Steamers
a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Educational Museum

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Club Meeting Minutes

President Mark Johnson called the General Meeting to order at 10:00 am.

New Members, Guests and Guests:

None to report.

Steam-related Activities:

Kaya Thunen and his father reported that they visited the Los Angeles Live Steamers. For information, the 60th Anniversary run at LALS is on May 27th-30th

Officer's Report:

President Mark Johnson: Reported the Club's progress on the club facility lease with the EBRPD. Currently the GGLS is in a month-to-month tenancy status with the Park District. The President has been working with the Park District on getting the Lease renewed and he will appear at the Park District Operations Board Hearing on March 17, 2016. At this hearing the GGLS video created by Jacob Hulbert will be shown to the Operations Board. If all goes well at this hearing, our lease renewal will then go to the full Park Board on April 5, 2016, for approval.

The President encourages club members to check out the video of GGLS by Jacob Hulbert. It highlights the mission of our club. This video can be found on the front page of our club web site at www.ggls.org

The Board of Directors has approved the purchase of new locks for the Roundhouse.

Vice President: Rick Reaves had nothing to report.

Treasurer: John Lisherness reported that all Federal and State required permits and forms have been paid and filed, and up to date. For detailed information regarding the Club's accounts, see John Lisherness.

Secretary: Christopher Smith had nothing to report.

Ombudsmen: Bob Cohen had nothing to report.

Committee Reports:

Buildings: Rich Lundberg reported that three bulkheads have been completely replaced and more of the roundhouse panels are ready for installation. In the last edition of the Call Boy, forms were being installed to allow for a cement curb to be poured at the foundation. These panels will sit above the curbs and eliminate wood rot due to the old panels sitting directly on the foundation.

John Smith has installed new cabinets over the refrigerator in the kitchen.

Grounds: Andy reports that all maintenance of the club grounds is currently up to date. There was a fair turnout for tree pruning on the Saturday work day. Thanks to those who helped out.

Safety Committee: Jerry Kimberlin had nothing to report.

Signals: Steve Vitkovits had nothing to report.

Ground Track: Bill Smith had nothing to report.
High Track: Jeremy Coombes had nothing to report.

Public Train: Rich Croll reported that we had a great month for the Public Train. He also mentioned that a group of Cub Scouts visited GGLS. A special thanks goes to Bruce Anderson for being the "unofficial spokesman" for the club and giving the scouts a brief overview of our club.

Locomotives: Mark Johnson reported:
RGS 22: The new lubricator for the #22 will be installed on the engine shortly. Rich Croll has changed the propane connection and it seemed to make a big difference in how the engine steams. The #22 continues to do an excellent job pulling the Public Train on Sundays.
And a wonderful thanks to Jeff Dutte of Loco Parts for donating the lubricator to the club!

1936 "Baldwin", 1971 "Uvas": Rick Z. reports that the 1936 (Baldwin), and 1971 (UVAS) are both is good running order.
Heinz Atlantic: The engine is still being worked on by John Lisherness and according to John, the work on this engine has turned into a major rebuild. John reports that he is now working on reinstalling the engine's boiler.
Hunter Atlantic: Rick Reaves is taking over the work on this engine. Rick is working on the brakes and brake valve.
Johnson Pacific: The engine awaits conversion of the engine to propane firing.

Rolling Stock: Rich Croll reported that the new riding cars are being powder coated. It was approved by the Board of Directors for Rich to have GGLS logo heralds made up for the club's riding cars & locomotives.

Callboy: Pat Young had nothing to report.

Membership: It was reported that the "Early Bird Special" for members renewing their membership dues before the end of the year, was a big hit!

Roundhouse: Michael Smith reports that the Board has approved of new, standardized locks will be bought for the roundhouse. Everyone is also paid up on their rent.

80th Anniversary: Sandy Morris reported that the table & chair reservations have been made for the 80th Anniversary event.
She is requesting that club members donate unwanted baskets for use as prize holders.

Old Business:
None was reported.

New Business:

Bruce Anderson has scanned & created a CD with all the photos donated by the Steen Family in memory of Elwood "Woody" Steen. They highlight the club at our old location of Redwood Park and copies are available from Bruce.

General Meeting Adjourned at 10:44 am.

Board Meeting Minutes

The Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by President Mark Johnson at 11:26 am.

Old Business:

A discussion with Sandy Morris was held concerning the 80th Anniversary meet. It was decided that this would be a private event and live steamers from other clubs would be invited to come.
A motion to invite certain Park District officials to the 80th Anniversary meet, and their meal would be paid for by the club. Tabled to next month for review.

The Board discussed inviting Whitney Dawson to our Spring Meet.

The motion to change the gate lock combination. TABLED.

The motion for the Board of Directors to allow Rich Croll to purchase club heralds for the Public Train. PASSED.

The motion to purchase an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for the clubhouse. TABLED for further report from Rick Reaves.

New Business:

The Board of Directors discussed purchasing steel rail for future club use.

Michael Smith, Round House Chairperson, reported to the Board regarding the current status of the Club's rented storage areas and the status of the storage area waiting list. Per the Round House Rules, the Round House Chairperson is to 1) maintain a waiting list for members without space and wanting a space, and 2) members with a current space wanting additional storage space. Michael Smith will report back to the Board on this matter next month.

The Board discussed and revised the Emergency Telephone Tree. The updated emergency contacts in order of sequence are:

1) Rick Reaves
2) Bob Cohen
3) Mark Johnson.

If an emergency or incident occurs where Board oversight is needed on scene, the Emergency Telephone Tree should be activated by calling the listed Board members.

The Board of Directors discussed membership participation. Christopher Smith suggested building a portable track which would could be brought to train events to attract new members.

The Board of Directors discussed having a swap meet during the June or July meet. The meeting was adjourned.

Heinz Loop Swimming Pool

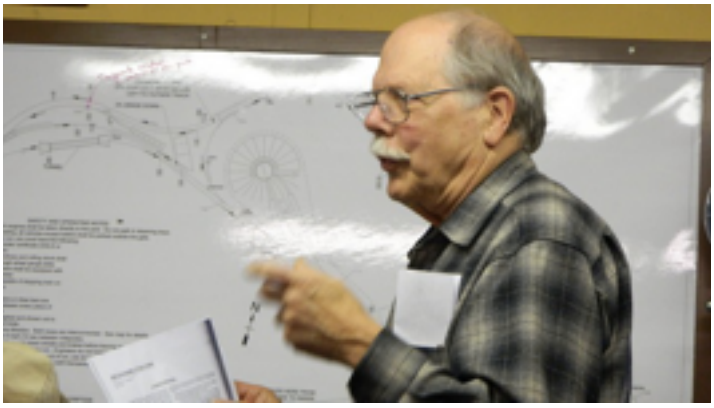
Bits and Pieces

by Sheldon Yee

Chris Smith – ¾" 0-6-0 British Locomotive, previously shown partially completed in previous "Bits & Pieces" articles…now finished!!

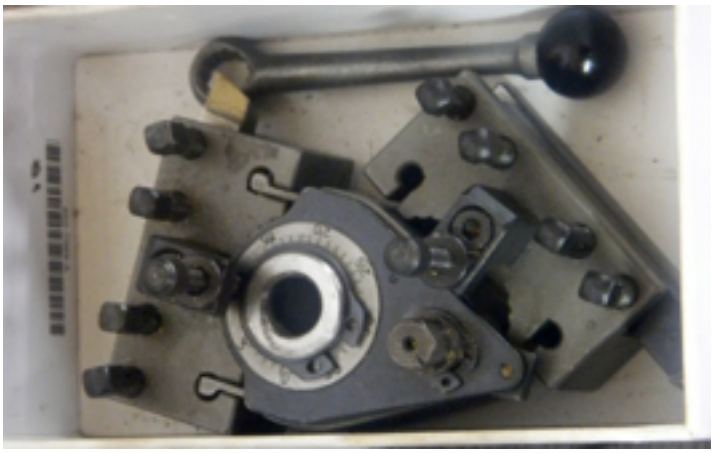
Second project – Drivers for a Pacific 4-6-2 Locomotive, in progress.

Rich Croll – Gas Gauge for GGLS Club Diesel Outline Locomotive, made from brass strip and a pipe cap.



Rich Lundberg – "Hollow Mill", from an article by Frank McLean in the May, 1981 article in Live Steam magazine.

Mark Johnson – "Lunkenheimer one chime whistle.



Bob Cohen – Quick change tool holder for a small 6" lathe (made in China) for a very reasonable price of $200 US. It is a Original Multifix, model Aa set and can be purchased at www.createtool.com

Rules Of The Month

By
Dan Swanson

2011 Safety & Operating Rules

April 2016

Section 2 - Equipment

2.01 Ashpan *Steam boilers burning solid fuel shall have an ashpan constructed and installed to prevent dropping of burning ashes or fuel along the right-of-way. Except in emergency, ashes shall be dumped only at the steaming bays, or at a pit near the roundhouse. Engineers shall be responsible for immediately extinguishing burning ashes dropped on the track, wherever they are dropped.-*

2.05 Emergency Shutdown *Steam boilers shall have the capability to shut off heat immediately in the case of emergency. Oil and LP Gas fired boilers shall have a valve or other means to stop the flow of fuel to the burner. Solid fuel boilers shall have a means of dumping the fire out of the firebox or smothering the fire with steam, water, or by other means.-*

Section 3 - Operating Procedures

3.15 High Track Safety *Where there are engines running on the High Track the bridge section must remain in place undisturbed, or it may be removed momentarily to allow taller Ground Track engines to cross into and out the Roundhouse area after notifying High Track operators.*

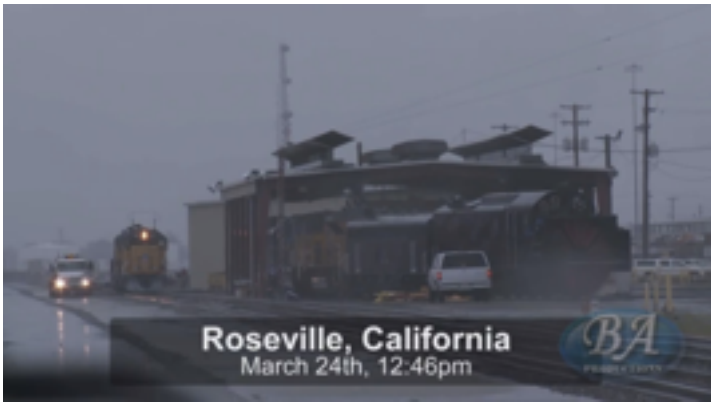
Any person who removes the bridge section is responsible for replacing the bridge section before they leave the facilities.

Items should not be left lying on the High Track or resting against the side of the track or its supports.

Chairs. tables and large items should be placed no nearer than two feet away from the High Track.-

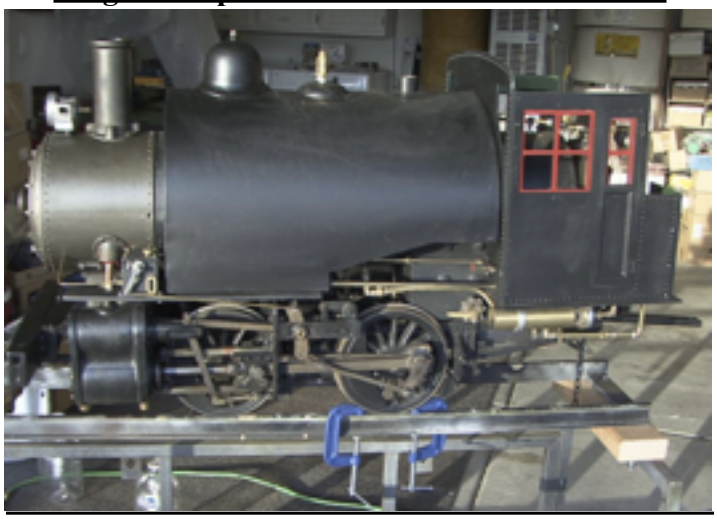
Video Selection From Our Membership

From Bruce Anderson, this is a 8:42 minute video showing the first run of his Little Engine 0-4-0T Docksider (aka “Little Joe”) that he named “Harley”. Congratulations Bruce and here is the link: https://www.youtube.com/embed/HPF3NmeV2Ag



Another video recommendation from Bruce Anderson, it's a 4:41 minute segment from a DVD titled “Rotaries, Avalanche on the Mountain” available for purchase.
http://donnerrails.com/videos/rotaries-avalanche-on-the-mountain/

Progress Report on Bruce Anderson's 0-4-0T



Added a drain to the "stainless steel" saddle tank today. There was a pipe running underneath the boiler between the left and right tanks; I replaced an Ell with a Tee and added a valve at least for the time being. Maybe not an optimum location for the valve but it was something I could do at least as a temporary fix.

As both Rich and Bob made me aware, I found at least one filament of Teflon tape inside a joint as I was working to remove rust. The system has gone from unable to hold pressure at all to having a small leak (roughly 1 psi/min @ 40 psi); I have another valve if the leak doesn't pass.

Wanted

Railroad Supply 1 ½-inch scale couplers

January 5, 2016

Want Railroad Supply 1 ½-inch scale couplers (Need total of 3 pairs) rough or machined, and freight car trucks (rough castings up to running trucks).

Also looking for 1 ½" scale old time RRSC gondola and/or flat car. All items for personal use at GGLS. Please advise of prices. Thank you.

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Wanted

OPERATING TOY TRAIN LAYOUT

January 5, 2016

I want American Flyer S-gauge and Lionel O-gauge toy trains. I am an operator and not a collector or reseller.
Please advise what you have to offer and will pay fair prices depending on the condition of items. Thank you.

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For Sale

Railway Supply 4-4-0

February 8, 2016

I have too much stuff, so I am selling my Railway Supply 4-4-0!
It has new Steam Age boiler, new Railway Supply fiberglass tender body and many accessories. Runs great on air!

New asking price of $5,500 or Best Offer.

If interested or have questions, contact:
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