

## A PUBLICATION OF THE GOLDEN GATE LIVE STEAMERS APRIL 2019

# The Call Boy

## As Seen on TV



Winter brought many fallen trees as seen on the news What was almost missed was our own pending disaster about to befall the club house! Fortunately, Andy Weber caught this early and was able to create more firewood for Mel to keep him busy throughout the summer.

#### **Event Calendar**

## **April**

04/14/19 GGLS Member Meeting 04/14/19 GGLS Board Meeting

#### May

5/05/19 GGLS Member Meeting 5/05/19 GGLS Board Meeting 5/17-18-19/19 Maker Faire

## June

06/09/19 GGLS Member Meeting 06/09/19 GGLS Board Meeting 06/15/19 GGLS Spring Meet 06/16/19 GGLS Open House 06/15/19 BAEM Meeting

## July

07/14/19 GGLS Member Meeting 07/14/19 GGLS Board Meeting

## August

8/11/19 GGLS member Meeting 8/11/19 GGLS Board Meeting 8/11/19 Swap Meet & Lunch

## The Call Boy

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Pat Young
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#### **Officers**

President: Rick Reaves
Vice President: Andy Rogers
Secretary: Richard Croll
Treasurer: John Lisherness
Safety: Jerry Kimberlin
Ombudsman: Bob Cohen

#### GGLS Committee Chairmen

Track: John Lytle Engines: Mark Johnson Rolling Stock: Richard Croll Public Train Walt Oellerich Bits & Pieces: Sheldon Yee **Buildings**: Rick Reaves Grounds: Andy Weber Signal System: Steve Wood Boiler Testing: Jerry Kimberlin High Track: Sheldon Yee Refreshments: Walt Oellerich

Sheldon Yee

Technical: Charlie Reiter
Round House: Michael Smith
Web Page: Pat Young
Librarian: Pat Young

Membership Sammy Tamez

#### Call Boy

Articles and photos submitted for insertion in the Call Boy should be sent to Pat Young at:

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



#### San Mateo Maker Faire

We will be exhibiting at the Maker Faire in San Mateo, California to show the attendees on who GGLS is, what we do and hand out membership forms. We now have to finalize our exhibit (display size, power requirements, forklift requests, etc.) and file all the safety paperwork by mid-April.

If interested or have questions, please contact Vladimir (<u>vlakoval@gmail.com</u>) by March 31st with your exhibit ideas, suggestions and most importantly if you would like to help organize or exhibit!

Thursday, May 16 Set Up 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Friday, May 17 Set Up 7:30 AM – 12:30 PM SHOWTIME 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Maker Mixer 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Saturday, May 18 Set Up 7:30 AM – 9:30 AM SHOWTIME 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Sunday, May 19 Set Up 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM SHOWTIME 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM Take Down 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

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

Track & Club House Location 2501 Grizzly Peak Blvd. Berkeley, CA, 94708 510-486-0623 www.ggls.org

#### **Club Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 AM by President Rick Reaves. There were 25+ members present.

The meeting started on a sad note as the President reported that life member Roy Motz had passed away on February 14th. Bruce Anderson gave summary of Roy's live steam accomplishments, which included a 1½ scale ten-wheeler which John Lytle now owns. He mentioned that Roy had just turned 90 and he is survived by one son. A moment of silence was observed in his honor

#### **Guests:**

Andy Weber introduced Richard Hatch, who according to Andy, is trivia expert.

#### **Steaming/Railroad activities:**



Ken Blonski reported that he made another trip on Amtrak to Reno and back. According to Ken, it is a great trip, especially with all the snow this winter.



Bruce Anderson shared a newspaper story about Niles Canyon Railway working on the last of seven miles of track to reach Pleasanton. He observed that this is part of the original transcontinental railroad that is celebrating 150 years this year.

#### **Officer Reports**

**President:** Thanked Andy Weber & Jerry Kimberlin for cutting up the tree that fell just outside the clubhouse.

**Vice President:** Nothing to report.

**Secretary:** The club received a note from Dan Swanson thanking the members for the card we sent last month of the passing of his wife.

**Treasurer:** John Lisherness reported on the club's finances. Any member wishing details can contact John.

**Safety:** Nothing to report.

**Ombudsman:** Nothing to report.

#### **Committee Reports**

Security: Jon Sargent will be making a report to the Board of Directors

**Buildings:** Nothing to report.

**Grounds:** Andy Weber talked about the tree that fell outside the club. Andy with the help of Jerry Kimberlin, Mel McDonough and Bruce Anderson got it cut up and mostly hauled away.

**Signals:** Bruce Anderson reported problems with turnout T-02. The switch is spiked in position to go to the steaming bay and service tracks until the mechanism is fixed by Steve Wood and replaced.

**Ground Track:** Richard Croll reported that the third lead to the roundhouse turntable is finished.

**High Track:** Andy Weber mentioned that some maintenance is needed where the tree fell across it.

**Locomotives:** Mark Johnson reported that plumbing work continues on the RGS #22 with the axle pump being done. Nothing new on any other locomotives.

**Rolling Stock:** Richard Croll reported that he replaced the air regulator on one of the conductor's cars.

**Public Train:** Walt Oellerich noted that we have three potential new engineers from the Steam Locomotive Class and directed them to see Sam Tamez to get qualified. Walt noted that today will make 4 out of 10 Sundays this year weather has permitted the Public Train to operate.

**Web/Callboy:** Pat Young reported that everything is fine. He has used a link checker that PV&A provided to periodically verify the validity of the links on our website.

**Builders Group:** Pat Young said there was nothing new. He pointed out that the group site is meant to share building information among the members. He is hopeful that the Maker Faire will inspire the builders.

**Maker Faire:** Vladimir reported that the application to participate has been submitted. He asked for a long narrow out door space. More information can be found in this newsletter.

**Membership:** Nothing to report.



**Locomotive Training Class:** Vladimir Kovalevsky reported that today is the final class of the current course. Vlad had also mentioned earlier in the

meeting for the need to watch out for foot pegs around the service areas. He clipped off one of the water hoses. President Rick Reaves appointed Vladimir as chairman of the Locomotive Training Class Committee

#### **Old Business**

**ByLaws:** Richard Croll reported that there were a couple of changes in wording necessary to eliminate confusion. Specifically, under Article III, Section 1, A, 2, should read Family Membership "Shall include one Regular Member, who has voting rights, and spouse or significant other and/or minor children who shall not have voting rights or right to hold office".

Under Article IV, Section 10. Notice of Meetings, it will be noted that it is the Board Members who need to be notified of special meetings.

Discussion followed concerning the changes to the Ombudsman position. Andy Rogers moved, and Andy Weber seconded, to accept the Ombudsman position as proposed in the new Bylaws. The motion passed 20+ to 3.

Andy Rogers moved, seconded by Lisa Kimberlin, to bring the proposed Bylaws to a vote at the April Meeting. Motion passed.

**Display Case:** Bruce Anderson has had more keys made and a spare key is in the clubhouse. He will keep the case updated.



Clubhouse Lights: The President thanked, and the members applauded John Smith for replacing the fluorescent lights in the clubhouse with LED tubes, and positioned them higher in the ceiling.

**Spring Meet:** Sandy Morris asked for raffle items for the Saturday Meet. She also mentioned that we need to do a cleanup a week or so before. The President approved the idea of providing lunch on the clean-up day.



**Coal & Water Towers:** Brian Parry stated that they will get done before the Spring Meet.

#### **New Business**

None.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:47 AM.

#### **Minutes of the Board Meeting**

The Meeting was called to order at 11:32 AM by President Rick Reaves. All Board members present with the exception for Rich Lundberg.

The minutes from the February meeting were distributed. Andy Rogers moved, seconded by Jerry Kimberlin, to accept the minutes. Motion passed.

#### **Old Business:**

Hand Out: Andy Rogers will have something next month.

**Lift-out:** Nothing has been done because of weather.

**Security:** Jon Sargent said he will remove the battery from the club house lock so it cannot

accidentally engage. He thinks the lock may work once it dries out.

Jon got a quote for \$586 to install a camera in the clubhouse. The feeling of the board was not to install one.

Jon contacted AT&T concerning the phone and found out we are on the list to get a fiber optic line sometime this year.

**Maker Faire:** Andy Rogers mentioned that Vladimir said that there may be a charge for exhibiting at the Maker Faire.

Locomotive Class: The President reiterated that he had appointed Vladimir Kovalevsky as chairman of the Locomotive training Committee. He and several others commented on the importance of the class to the club.

#### **New Business:**

**Reports and Filings:** John Lisherness reported that all the required filings have been done for 2019.

**Blower:** Richard Croll asked about purchasing a battery powered blower to have in the Shattock Barn. He was told it did not need the Board's approval.

Chainsaw: The purchase of a chainsaw was brought up. The feeling of the Board was that it was not needed. The same was said for a log splitter. The need for a better splitting maul was brought up, and the Board agreed to that.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:58 AM.



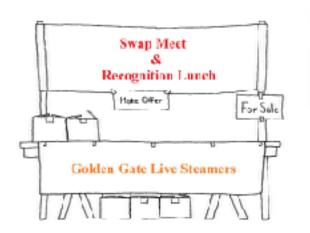
Rich Croll – Bridge Design.



Charlie Reiter – Restored Forge Bower.



Andy Weber – In Line Sand Separator.



The next club meeting in April will be a combination club meeting, swap meet and member recognition lunch. So bring you unused tools, books, magazines and whatever is cluttering your workshop to sell, buy or trade with your fellow members.

No acceptable offers refused and put on your haggling hat to get the best price!

#### From the Membership

From Dan Swanson, here are some YouTube videos that he thinks the reader would be interested in:



A 34:03 minute YouTube video about the Train Mountain Triennial 2018 from Amtrak458. "Tucked away in a tiny forest town off a highway in southern Oregon is an amazing place for train fans and live steam enthusiast alike. Located in Chiloquin, OR, a town about 30 minutes north of Klamath Falls, OR, Train Mountain is home to over 30 miles of 7 1/2 inch gauge live steam track, making it the largest in the world! Every three years, they hold the tri-annual meet where people from all over the world come out to bring their equipment or just ride the trains. This video serves as just a fraction of what there is to see there and are some of the highlights of the 2018 Tri-Annual!"

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=yvM2QUz5mHM&frags=pl%2Cwn



A 27:22 minute YouTube video about a 1.5" scale Little Engines live steam 4-6-2 Pacific running at the 2018 Train Mountain Triennial.

https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=iJ1f93yw7A8&frags=pl%2Cwn



A 45:16 minute from Jim Henry which shows a combination of aerial drone footage, some still on steaming bays, on board running video from trains, some run byes and others.

<u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?</u> v=RHL0eD8fRhc&frags=pl%2Cwn



Dan Swanson with his big toy!

**Unscheduled Tree Pruning** 



During the last Thursday Work Day of February, a forty-ish foot tree was found to have fallen. Fortunately Andy Weber had gotten word and brought up a chain saw; men from the Thursday crew then went to work cleaning up the debris. Both the Club House and High Track appear to have been spared damage, no other storm damage was

discovered. Mel is as happy as a beaver as his wood pile runneth over.

Bruce Anderson

#### **Passing of Roy Motz**

January 22, 1929 - February 14, 2019

Hi Friends,



I found out today that Roy Motz past away on February 14th. I know I talked with him on January 22nd, his 90th birthday, and I believe once more after that. I hadn't talked with him in a few weeks and went out to visit today. It wasn't new to me that his phones were acting up so I called his son before driving the last mile; he gave me the news. Roy had moved to a one bedroom senior living center about two months ago. On queue while I was checking out his potential third floor vistas, three BNSF diesel locomotives pulling 58 flat cars filled with military hardware past in review.

Rest In Peace Roy! A graveside service was held February 25th

Bruce Anderson

Roy was a great guy and self trained machinist. Always around with helpful suggestions on live steam modeling questions.

Last contact I had with him, he mentioned he had lost about 65 lbs. I had a feeling he was on his last run.......

Rick Zobelein

For Sale
Harper 2-6-0 Mogul and Tender
February 4, 2018



A beautiful 2-6-0 Ed Adams masterpiece is for sale. This is a Wabash style Mogul which looks to be an early Allen kit. It is in pretty good shape and was converted to burn propane.

It has a water pump, injectors, scale fitting and much more. It has just recently been hydro tested and should pass a future boiler test certification.



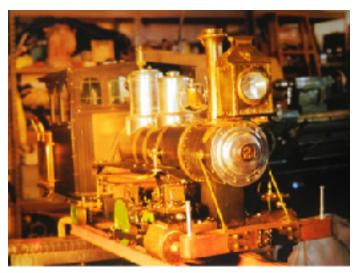
The photos speak for themselves since Ed Adams does museum quality work and you must view it (in Napa) to appreciate it.

Please feel free to contact Dave for more information.

#### Asking a newer, lower price of \$8,000.

If interested or have questions, contact: Dave Bradas Napa, California 94558 (707) 252-7390

#### For Sale 0-4-2 Chloe February 17, 2018



An 0-4-2 Chloe that is propane fired with a steel boiler. Beautiful workmanship!

The newer asking price is now \$8,000.

If interested or have questions, contact:

Dave Bradas Napa, California 94558 (707) 252-7390

## All Aboard...

to celebrate the Golden Gate Live Steamer's Annual Spring Meet

Saturday & Sunday, June 15-16, 2019 - All Day Sunday, June 16th is open to the Public 11 AM - 3 PM

## Tilden Park, Berkeley Hills, Orinda, CA

Families are welcome! Ride the rails beneath towering Redwoods while enjoying the view of the beautiful San Francisco Bay. See GGLS Club History and Bay Area Engine Modelers Club Displays. Official GGLS Tee Shirts, Pins and Patches available for purchase.

Saturday and Sunday are open to members of any Live Steam Club.

Sunday is open to the Public 11 AM - 3 PM, (except the Steaming Bay Areas).

Overnight Camping information: Bob Morris (See Contact Information Below)

Visit: www.ggls.org

#### PLUS:

Saturday & Sunday...BBQ Lunch, Snacks, Soft Drinks & Bottled Water, by Jeff's Pit Stop



## Golden Gate Live Steamers

2019 Annual Spring Meet



We look forward to seeing you.
If you have any questions, contact
Event Co-Chairman, Bob Morris @
925-240-9034...leave a detailed message,
including a call back number.
or email: postwarbob@sboglobal.net

DON'T LET THE TRAIN LEAVE THE STATION
WITHOUT YOU!