



GGLS Small Buildings lit up by Armando Epifani' artistic touch for the holidays.

The CallBoy

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GGLS Trust Fund Members

John Lisherness
Rick Zobelein
Jerry Kimberlin (elected March 2015)

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Boiler Testing:	Jerry Kimberlin
Building:	Rick Reaves
CallBoy Editors:	Pat Young (printed version), Rick Zobelein (email version)
Engine:	Mark Johnson
Grounds:	Andy Weber
High Track:	Sheldon Yee
Librarian:	Pat Young
Membership:	Rick Zobelein
Public Train:	Walt Oellerich
Refreshments:	Walt Oellerich, Sheldon Yee
Rolling Stock:	Rich Croll
Round House:	Michael Smith
Signals:	Steve Wood, Bruce Anderson
Technical Talks:	Charlie Reiter
Track:	John Lytle
Web Site:	Pat Young, Rick Zobelein

Membership

To qualify for membership, attend 2 monthly meetings. At the first meeting, please introduce yourself and obtain a membership application from Membership chairman Rick Zobelein or contact him at (rgz48@yahoo.com). At the second meeting, return your completed application, the yearly prorated club dues, together with a the \$25 initiation fee and you are officially a member.

Club Correspondence

All correspondence to the Golden Gate Live Steamers should be sent to the secretary,

CallBoy

Articles, pictures, photographs, items for sale or any other information that would be of interest to the club should be sent to Pat Young, the interim CallBoy editor (phty95014@yahoo.com).

Deadline for submittal to next month's issue is the 19th!

Calendar of Club Sponsored Events

02/11/18 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
03/11/18 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
04/08/18 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
05/06/18 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
05/19/18 Sacramento Live Steamers Fall Meet
05/20/18 Sacramento Live Steamers Fall Meet
06/02/18 GGLS Spring Meet
06/03/18 GGLS Spring Meet & Open House
06/10/18 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
06/23/18 PV&A, GGLS & SVLS Joint Meet at PV&A
06/24/18 PV&A, GGLS & SVLS Joint Meet at PV&A
07/08/18 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
08/12/18 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
09/09/18 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
09/22/18 GGLS Fall Meet
09/23/18 GGLS Fall Meet & Open House
10/14/17 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
10/20/18 Sacramento Live Steamers Fall Meet
10/21/18 Sacramento Live Steamers Fall Meet
11/11/18 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
12/09/18 General Monthly Meeting/Annual Meeting/
Board Meeting

Minutes of General Meeting, Golden Gate Live Steamers

January 14, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President Rich Lundberg at 10:01 AM. 23+ members were present.

There were no guests or new members.

Steaming Activities



Michael Smith reported that he took to Italy, and rode some trains there. He commented how clean and smooth they were. Even the restrooms were clean.

THE BATTLESHIP IOWA MUSEUM SPECIAL SMALL GROUP BEHIND-THE-SCENES TOUR



Bruce Anderson mentioned that he had met with a group from the battleship Iowa. Tours can now be arranged that include looking down into the fire room.

Announcements-none.

Officer reports

President.

Rich reiterated that he planned to serve one year only. No substantial changes are planned. He mentioned that the initiative for any changes need to come from the

membership. He invited anyone who has suggestions to see him.

He also emphasized that the membership needs to get more involved in the elections. He has asked the Ombudsman to begin looking for candidates now.

Vice President-nothing to report.

Secretary-nothing to report.

Treasurer

John Lisherness gave a report on the club finances. So far 100 members have paid their dues for next year and all but two roundhouse rents have been received. The President noted that the membership has slowly been declining, and suggested the members need to talk up membership in the club. See the Treasurer for details of the club finances.

Safety-nothing to report.

Ombudsman-nothing to report.

Committee Reports



Chili Run

Sheldon Yee reported the Chili Run was a big success with plenty of chili, and lots of activity out on the track.

Buildings

Rich Lundberg introduced Rick Reaves as the new Buildings chairman. Rick reported that everything was in good shape for now.

Grounds-

The chairman was absent, but Rick Zobein said he had cleaned out the drains.

The President mentioned that Andy

has scheduled a work day for Saturday, January 20th. To prune the trees.

Rich also showed a small “shrub” rake that he acquired to clean out the catch basins. It will be kept in the tool locker behind the club house. He also mentioned that the redwood duff gets dumped in the low area out by Diamondback.

Signals

Bruce Andersen reported that he and Steve Wood checked the system the prior Thursday, and everything was working. They are still trying to solve an intermittent failure on the signal bridge past the Shattock Barn. It was also noted that Rick Reaves had worked on the turnouts leading to the steaming bay.

Ground Track-nothing to report.

High Track-

Sheldon Yee agreed to take over the high track. John Nicholson reported that the aluminum part of the new lift out is done, and the steel part will be done soon.

Locomotives-

Mark Johnson reported the following: RGS #22 is out of service for repair. RGS #20 continues to pull the public train every Sunday. The right injector was cleaned by Jerry Kimberlin, and it now works fine. Jerry has also cleaned the left injector. There continues to be issues with propane freezing. Last Sunday, the crew experimented with using a horizontal tank in water, and that helped somewhat.

Hunter Atlantic remains in working condition. Mike Gershowitz has nothing new to report. The engine is being operated by club members.

Heintz Atlantic-nothing to report.

Johnson Pacific-nothing to report.

Gas engines-both are running without problems.

Rolling Stock-nothing to report.

Public Train

Walt Oellerich noted that in his first year as chairman, both ridership and donations are up. He thanked Richard

Croll and his elves for keeping the steam locomotives running, and all the crew who helps out with the public train.

The President emphasized how important the public train is to the club, and how great a learning experience it is for new members.

Web and Callboy

Pat Young noted that Bruce Anderson had submitted some video recommendations. He also reported that Loren Byron had given some recommendations for YouTube videos on tool modifications for the GGLS Builders group.

Roundhouse

Michael Smith announced that the new roundhouse waiting list has been posted. To be added to the list, a member must contact Michael directly. The new sheet for marking down running has also been posted.

Old Business-none.

New Business

Meets

The President announced that we need chairpersons for the meets. He gave a brief description of what the duties are. Bob and Sandy Morris said they will take the job on. They will be looking for helpers. Sandy noted that new ideas are welcome. Rich gave a brief history of the open houses.

Security

Last Sunday, Lisa Kimberlin discovered that two video cameras had been disabled in what appears to be vandalism. The President has given the EBRPD police a report on this. It appears nothing else has been stolen or damaged. Rich reminded the members that if you see criminal activity at the club site, not to confront them, but to leave and call 911. He stated that the Board of Directors would be discussing security at the Board Meeting.

New Members

The President brought up the need for new members. John Lytle suggested

members going to events such as Great American Train Show, or model railroad shows and promoting the club.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:55AM.

**Minutes of Golden Gate Live Steamers
Board of Directors meeting
January 14, 2018**

The meeting was called to order at 11:40AM by President Rich Lundberg. All the officers and board members were present.

Security

Discussion was held concerning our present security system and what changes we may want to make.

Motion was made by Mark Johnson, seconded by Jerry Kimberlin, to look into beefing up existing system by adding cameras and motion detector lights. Motion was passed unanimously. Bob Cohen and John Sargent were asked by the President to work together on this.

Mark Johnson made a motion, seconded by John Lytle, for the experts to look into the availability of a high speed internet connection for the existing system. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Dues collection

It was pointed out that the Membership Chairman needs to notify delinquent members after March 1st. The Secretary asked the Membership Chairman to provide him a list of members who are dropped after the March 31st. deadline. The idea of electronic payment was brought up and will be looked into.

Roundhouse

Michael Smith reported to the board that the waiting list had been updated and posted. He also brought the board up to date on spaces vacated and to be assigned.

A revised set of Roundhouse Rules was presented to the board by Michael. Action on them was tabled until next month.

Michael was thanked by the board for

all the work he has done as roundhouse chairman.

High Track Bridge

As was reported during the general meeting, the new bridge is being fabricated and should be ready for installation soon. It was mentioned that the installation will effect both the high track and ground track access to the roundhouse.

Donated Bell

Jerry advised the board that the holes are dug, and waiting for better weather so the concrete can be poured. The post is on hand.

New Business

Clubhouse Roof

Rich Lundberg informed the board that it was time to replace the roof on the club house. Richard Croll was asked to secure bids.

Parking Lot

Discussion was held concerning the parking lot. Rich Lundberg is to investigate.

Continuity of Offices

Discussion was held concerning the Secretary and Treasurer, and what is being done to keep track of what these officers do, how records are kept, and how we should archive.

Restrooms

It was brought to the Board's attention that some members are not cleaning up after themselves when using the toilet. Bob Cohen is to find signs reminding members to keep the toilets presentable.

Membership cards

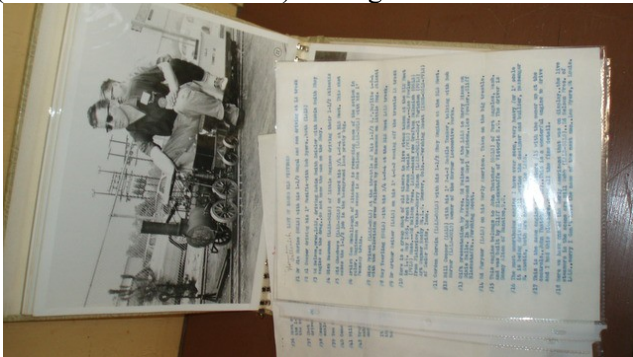
Discussion was held about membership cards. It was determined that the Membership Chairman will provide them to members that send him a self addressed stamped envelope.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:40 PM

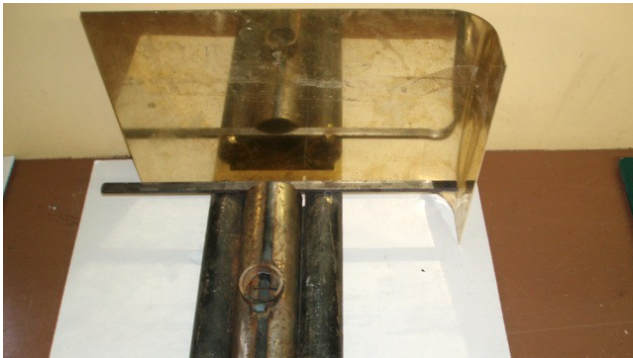
Bits and Pieces by Sheldon Yee



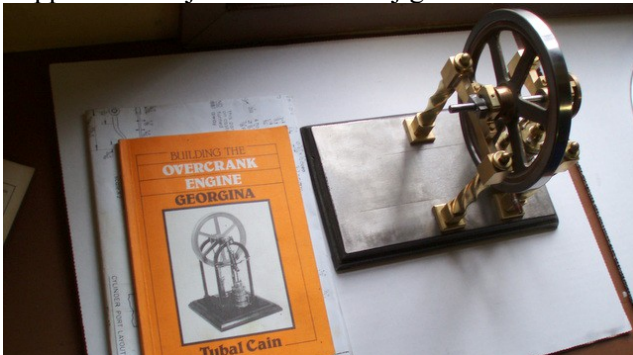
Jerry Kimberlin – Tire for RGS locomotive. D.O.M. (“Drawn Over Mandrel”) Tubing.



Walt Oellerich – Old GGLS Photos.



Rich Croll – Home-built jig for bending sheet metal to appropriate radius for use on a tender. A 12-ton press is applied in conjunction with the jig to make the bend.



Charlie Reiter – A “Georgina” stationary steam model, made from shop scraps. Model incorporates Epicyclic

gearing.



Some old steam hobby books & magazines.

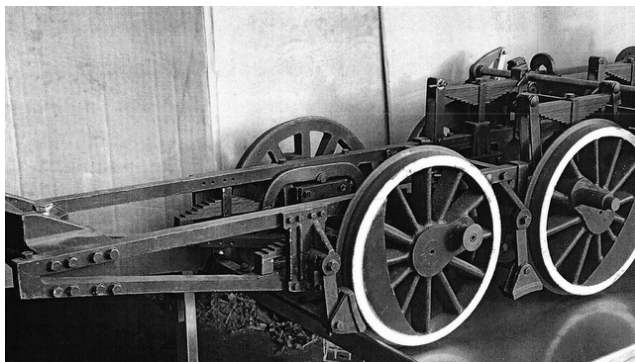
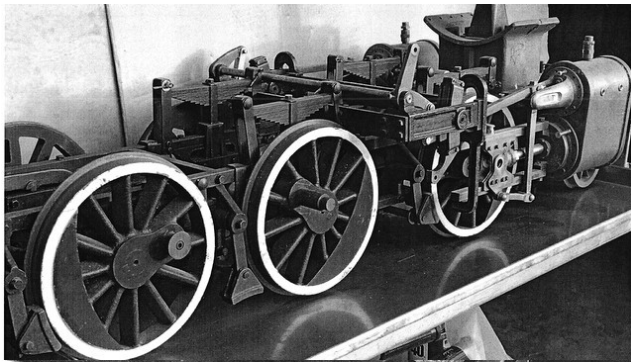
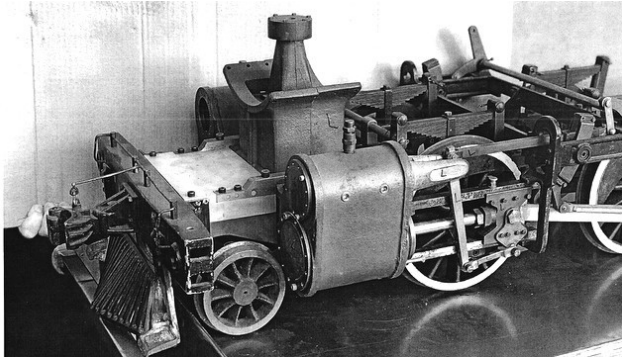
The Michael Smith Italian Railroad Vacation



“We spent two weeks in Italy starting the day after Christmas 2017 and visited Venice, Florence, Rome and the Vatican-seeing Pope Francis in person as he walked down the isle of St. Peters during a Saturday mass we attended.

We rode Trenitalia (Train Italy) high-speed trains between Venice and Rome which traveled at 300 km/hr (180 miles/hr) along with the slower commuter trains. The trains are fast, clean and safe and have no grade crossings that I saw. The high-speed trains run on separate tracks than the regular passenger trains. We found a ¾-inch scale live steam model of a 2-8-0 in the Vatican’s Carriage (Pope mobile) Museum. This was a model of the first train to enter the new state (1932) as the Vatican has its own train station inside the walls. The tracks link to the Italian railway tracks.”

For Sale
January 2, 2018



A partially built Little Engines, 7.5" gauge, 2-6-0 for \$3,900 which is semi-negotiable.

The buyer can pick it up at the ranch or arrangements can be made for delivery.

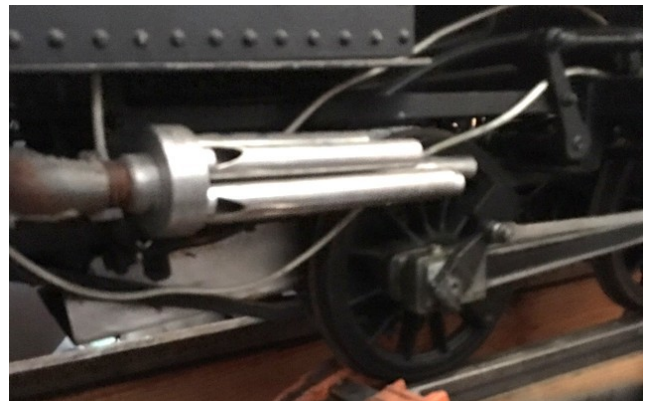
If interested or for more information, contact:

Dave Luther
(209) 533-4444
(209) 743-0442

For Sale
November 11, 2017



A 7½" gauge, coal burner 0-4-0 switcher with a Winton boiler. Built in approximately 1972 we purchased it in 2012 and had a fair amount of reconditioning work done to tighten it up (list of work performed on it is available upon request).



It runs great, was very lightly used by us and has a great sounding whistle. Comes with rack shown in picture, a bridge span for loading & unloading, previously used propane burner & tank and has other miscellaneous parts etc. It fits comfortably in the back of our Toyota Sienna van for easy travel.

More pictures available upon request or drop by our house by Albany, California for a look. Will deliver within greater San Francisco Bay Area.

Asking Price: \$11,500 or best offer.

Dave Wemmer
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The Roundhouse Waiting List
Now being published every other month.

DATE OF LIST: 01/01/18

**WAITING LIST FOR GGLS ROUNDHOUSE STALL
AND/OR STORAGE LOCATION**

No.	GGLS Member	Date name added to list	Location Preference
1	John Fenlon	11/17/12	Roundhouse
2	Benjamin Lerman (Sam Lerman)	12/16/12	Roundhouse
3	Pat Young	06/16/15	Roundhouse
4	Brian Parry	10/04/15	Roundhouse
5	Don Ratto	01/31/16	Roundhouse
6	Lisa Kimberlin	02/21/16	Roundhouse
7	Bruce Anderson	03/16/16	Roundhouse
8	Edson Lee	03/16/16	Roundhouse
9	John Lytle	05/04/16	RH/Storage
10	Gene Heiman	07/29/16	Roundhouse
11	Derek Schipper	11/13/16	RH/Storage
12	Armando Epifani	01/08/17	Roundhouse
13	Issac Gonzalez	06/30/17	Roundhouse

**WAITING LIST FOR SECOND GGLS ROUNDHOUSE STALL
AND/OR STORAGE LOCATION**

No.	GGLS Member	Date name added to list	Location Preference
1	John Lisherness	03/10/13	Roundhouse
2	Matthew Thomas	11/24/13	Roundhouse
3	Mark Johnson	07/08/15	Roundhouse
4	Bob Cohen	03/16/16	Roundhouse
5	Michael B. Smith	08/12/16	Roundhouse
6	John Lytle	05/01/17	Roundhouse

Regular members of GGLS requesting to place their name on the Waiting List for a roundhouse stall and/or storage location shall contact Michael B. Smith, GGLS Roundhouse Chairman by email at smithrailroad124@gmail.com. I will confirm your request by return email. Your name will be placed on the next issuance of the Waiting List which is updated bimonthly.

The current list shall be posted on the clubhouse bulletin board and inserted bimonthly in the CallBoy. Please contact Michael B. Smith at (650) 615-0475 or at the email noted above.

Last list dated 10/10/17

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