



The Call Boy

The Planners of Tilden Park



As we begin the new year, We should know and thank those early members who put a lot of time and effort into creating the Tilden Park facility we now enjoy. Only two survive today while the rest have passed on. Can you identify who they are? Some of the older members may remember these fellows:

Left to Right (standing) :

Norm Oellerich, Art Stewart, Boynton Green, Frank Larimer, John Curtis, Erich Thomsen, & Bob Byers.

Left to Right (down in front):

Dick Thomas, Jim Vail, & Louis Lawrence.

Ken Shattock

Event Calendar

January

1/01/16 New Year's Chili Run
1/10/16 GGLS Member Meeting
1/10/16 GGLS Board Meeting

February

2/14/16 GGLS Member Meeting
2/14/16 GGLS Board Meeting

March

3/13/16 GGLS Member Meeting
3/13/16 GGLS Board Meeting

April

3/10/16 GGLS Member Meeting
3/10/16 GGLS Board Meeting

May

4/08/16 GGLS Member Meeting
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**Deadline for submittal to next months' issue is
15th of the month**



Announcements

New Year's Day Chili Run



For those of you who enjoy or follow the Club's Chili Recipe, meet Earl Chanda. Earl is the "Creator" of the club's famous recipe.
Ken Shattock

We are now into the much needed rainy season. With the rain there is a real potential for flooding at the club facility, so remember to keep the drains around the club free of debris to keep the club grounds dry.

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

Track & Club House Location
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www.ggls.org

Club Meeting Minutes

The Club meeting was called to order on December 13, 2015 at 10:03 am by Vice President Andy Weber with an attendance of 34 voting members on a cold, rainy day.

New Members and Guests:

Len Pond, brother-in-law of secretary Pat Young, enjoys trains and is interested in the activities of the club. He has obtained a membership application and if you see him at the club, please make him feel welcome.

Steam-related Activities:

It is unusual, but no member did anything steam-related. Must be the holidays or the members are tired of long club meetings!

Committee Reports:



The Grounds Committee headed by Andy Weber along with 5 other intrepid workers spent time clearing the storm drains in preparation for the heavy rains along with raking up many bushels of leaves. There will be some tree trimming in January as soon as a day of clear weather can be found.

There were no reports from the Safety, Signal, or Ground Track Committees but Public Train Committee Chairman Rich Croll and his group had two weekend respite because of the weather. Also, Rich wanted to thank Ed Lee for providing some first aid kits for the Public Train. We hope the Public Train Committee enjoy their break and get a few more breaks in the coming months.

There was no report from the High Track committee. However, Michael Smith is investigating changes to improve access at the High Track bridge for members moving equipment from the round house. If interested in this project, please contact Michael (michael.smith@sfdpw.org).

Engine Committee Mark Johnson provided the following status of the club locomotives and engines:

Heinz Atlantic: The boiler is ready to be reinstalled and a new throttle valve has been fitted.

Hunter Atlantic: This engine has problems with its brakes & injector. .

Johnson Pacific: A new cradle casting for the engine is being machined by John Maryott.

RGS 22: The RGS 22 is in service. Jerry Kimberlin, with help from Sam Tamez and a few others, pulled out some of the propane burners to clean them out. The engine now steams better.

Rich Croll replaced the check valves on the lubricator lines. Hopefully this will stop the problem of steam backing up into the lubricator itself.

The brake plumbing on the locomotive has been redone and the steam air compressor is working fine. However there is still a problem with the tender brake piping. That should be fixed in the next couple of weeks.

#1936 diesel: It is running but the horn needs to be replaced.

#1971 diesel: The diesel is running and a new horn has been installed.

Rolling Stock chairman Rich Croll talked briefly about the progress of the propane box car that rides behind the RGS 22. He has also ordered four new Public Train riding cars from Mountain Car.

Club web master Pat Young will be doing the year end check of the web page links and fixing/eliminating broken links. There might be some delays in updating the web site since he has just migrated to Windows System 10, so if you see any problems with our web site, please email him at phty95014@yahoo.com.

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Pat Young wanted to sincerely thank Amy Kennedy & her husband for continuing to print out & mail the printed CallBoy to those who have no computer

access. He would not know what to do if they were not around.

Builders Group

Nothing to report but Pat Young hopes to show what he has been doing for the past few months.

Officer's Report:

Secretary Pat Young wanted to wish everyone a Happy Holiday and hope that 2016 will be better for the club and its members.

Treasurer John Lisherness gave a very positive report on the club's finances & the astute management of the club's reserve fund going into 2016.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

None.

Board Meeting Minutes

The December 13, 2015 Board Meeting began at 11:29 am with Board members Ken Blonski, Rich Lundberg, John Lisherness, Michael Smith, Andy Weber & Pat Young with Bob Cohen, Rich Croll, Jerry Kimberlin, Mark Johnson, Rick Reaves & Chris Smith attending.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

The nomination of John Smith for life membership has been approved by the Board and is now ready for the Membership to vote on the nomination.

John Lisherness received an offer to sign up the club on a web site devoted to accepting internet donations on behalf of the club. The Board has declined the offer.



Sandy Morris has updated the 75th Anniversary club logo and the Board has voted to purchase all rights to it for \$1. Thank you Sandy for your generous gesture to the club.

Spike and Rail



Bits and Pieces

by Sheldon Yee

Rules Of The Month



By
Dan Swanson



2011 Safety & Operating Rules

January 2016

Section 3 - Operating Procedures

3.03 Departure from Steaming Bay

Prior to steam locomotives departing their bay for the main line, the following shall be accomplished:

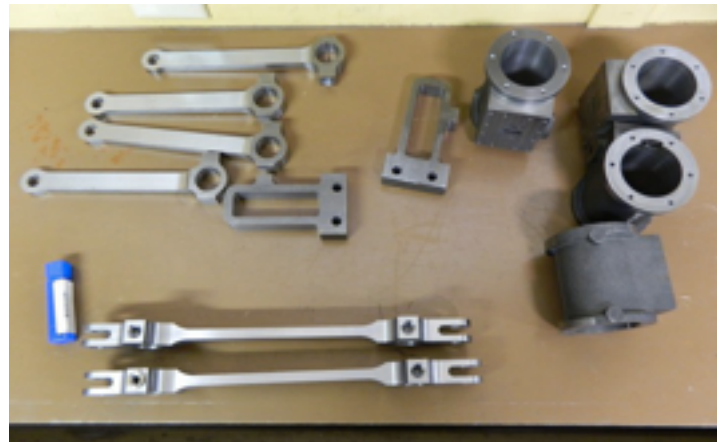
- 1. Steam shall be brought to operating pressure.*
- 2. Safety valves and pressure gauges shall be checked and operating correctly.*
- 3. Water glasses shall be blown down.*
- 4. Feed water shall be checked and in working order.*
- 5. Whistle or other audible signaling device shall be tested and operating correctly.*
- 6. Brakes shall be checked and operating correctly. -*

Section 6 - Safety Committee

6.08 Infraction of The Rules Any member of the Safety Committee, or any petition of five members in good standing, on written notice, may call any member or guest before the Board of Directors at the next scheduled meeting for infraction of the SAFETY AND OPERATING RULES. -



Rich Lundberg - Inlaid Fireplace Mantel Project



Anthony Duarte - Miscellaneous locomotive parts for a 2-1/2" scale 2-8-0 locomotive. Not produced from known plans, but scaled down from a live prototype found in Colorado.



Andy Weber - Article on Steam Car (Home-made)
Origin unknown.



Even though member Dave Gumz has not been with us for many years now, Roy Motz has acquired one of Dave's engines and, after some extensive work, has it back up at the track for a "shake-down" run. Thanks to Roy for preserving some club history in Dave's memory!

Membership Video Recommendations

John Lisherness sent in 3 youtube video links from the Jay Leno's Garage TV series that the membership might enjoy.



The first one is a 8:07 minute video on a 1832 Steam Engine. Designed and built in England in 1832, this steam engine originally ran a dye factory.
www.youtube.com/watch?v=zoBWAE0win0



The second is a 28:55 minute video about a 1906 Stanley Steamer Vanderbilt Cup Racer. The last time you saw the 1906 Stanley Steamer Vanderbilt Cup Racer, the steamer blew up. But now the old scorched 23-inch boiler's been replaced with a new 30-inch, which provides much more hp - so it's faster than ever! www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Me8b0ed59s



The last link is a 21:36 minute video of a 1925 Doble Series E Steam Car. Behold - the king of all steam cars! www.youtube.com/watch?v=ACO-HXvrRz8