



*The 2016 Board Members
(from left-to-right John Lisherness, Jerry Kimberlin, Chris Smith, Mark Johnson, Rick Reaves, Bob Cohen)*

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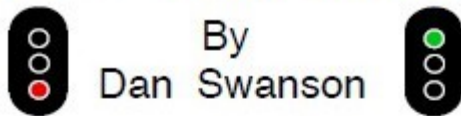
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Rules of the Month

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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. -

Announcements



The rains have come and looks to be a rainy winter. 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.



The metal red tool box found on club grounds a few weeks ago is still in the clubhouse.

Election Results

The 2015 year end business meeting has completed and the following Board members have been elected:

President: Mark Johnson
Vice President: Rick Reaves
Secretary: Chris Smith
Treasurer: John Lisherness
Ombudsman: Bob Cohen
Safety Chairman: Jerry Kimberlin

Officers

President: Mark Johnson 510-889-9451
Vice President: Rick Reaves 510-479-3386
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Treasurer: John Lisherness 510-528-3013
Safety: Jerry Kimberlin 510-232-6721
Ombudsman: Bob Cohen 510-655-6907

GGLS Trust Fund Members

John Lisherness (permanent member)
Rick Zobelein (permanent member)
Jerry Kimberlin (elected March 2015)

GGLS Committee Chair people

Bits & Pieces: Sheldon Yee
Boiler Testing: Jerry Kimberlin
Building: Rich Lundberg
Engine: Mark Johnson
Grounds: Andy Weber
High Track: Jeremy Coombes
Librarian: Pat Young
Membership: Rick Zobelein
Public Train: Rich Croll
Refreshments: Walt Oellerich, Sheldon Yee
Rolling Stock: Rich Croll
Round House: Michael Smith
Signals: Steve Vitkovits
Technical Talks: Charlie Reiter
Track: Bill Smith
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 (rgz48@yahoo.com). At the second meeting, return your completed application and the yearly prorated club dues, together with a the \$25 initiation fee and you're in.

Club Correspondence

All correspondence to the Golden Gate Live Steamers should be sent to the secretary, Christopher Smith, 124 San Felipe Ave , South San Francisco, CA 94080 (schristopher700@yahoo.com).

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

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

Calendar of Club Sponsored Events

01/01/16 New Year Day Chili Run

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 on to clear the storm drains in preparation for the heavy rains and raking up bushels & bushels of leaves. There will be some tree trimming in January as soon as is a day of clear weather can be found.

There was no report from the Safety, Signal, Ground Track Committees but Public Train Committee Chairman Rich Croll and his group got two weekend of respite because of the weather. Also, Rich wanted to thank Ed Lee for providing some first aid kits for us by 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 but Michael Smith is investigating changes to improve the access of the High Track bridge for members moving equipment from the round house to the running track. If interested in this project, please contact Michael (michael.smith@sfdpw.org).

Engine Committee Mark Johnson provided the following status on 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 brake & injector. Analysis & possible solutions need to be determined.

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 & maybe a few others, pulled out some of the propane burners & cleaned them out. The engine now steams better.

Rich Croll replaced the check valves on the steam chests on the lubricator lines. Hopefully this will stop the problem of steam getting back 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 somewhere on the tender brake piping. That should be fixed in the next couple of weeks.

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

Baldwin 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 which rides behind the RGS 22 and has ordered four new Public Train riding cars from Mountain Cars.

Club web master Pat Young will be doing the year end check of the links on our web page and fixing/eliminating broken links. There might be some delays in updating the web site since he has just migrated to 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 & send the printed CallBoy to those members 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 hope 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 on a web site where our club would be linked up to an internet donation reception organization. The Board has

declined to sign up with them.



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.

Bits and Pieces by Sheldon Yee



Rich Lundberg - Inlaid Fireplace Mantel



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.

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-incher, 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

Photos from the Membership

From the grandson of our founder Ken Shattock, here are three historical photos regarding GGLS:



The late Earl Chanda, the "Father" of GGLS Chili. It was Earl and his beans that started the whole thing about Chili at the club. He had a special recipe!



The original Club layout at Oakland's "Redwood Regional Park"-- as originally constructed by the Club members with assistance from the Southern Pacific railroad.

Tilden Park Planners



From left-to-right (standing): Norm Oellerich, Art Stewart, Boynton Green, Frank Larimer, John Curtis, Erich Thomsen and Bob Byers

From left-to-right (kneeing): Dick Thomas, Jim Vail, Louis Lawrence

Sadly, all are deceased today, except for Norm & Jim.

Spike and Rail

by Rich Ratto

