



The Call Boy

Bob Petersen's Southern Ps-4 Pacific



This is a model of an Alco (American Locomotive Company) built engine supplied to Southern Railway in 1926. It was used in passenger service until 1950 as part of Southern's Charlotte Division. It was also used to pull President Roosevelt's funeral train from Warm Springs, Georgia to Washington D.C. in April, 1945. This sole survivor of the Southern Railway is on permanent display at the Smithsonian Institution.

Bob has spent untold (thousands of) hours creating a extremely detailed scale version of this famous locomotive. The club is proud to have this engine in attendance at our GGLS Meets and admire Bob's efforts in completing this true work of art!

Event Calendar

July

7/13/14 GGLS Member Meeting
7/13/14 GGLS Board Meeting

August

8/10/14 GGLS Member Meeting
8/10/14 GGLS Board Meeting

September

9/14/14 GGLS Member Meeting
9/14/14 GGLS Board Meeting

October

10/11/14 GGLS Fall Meet
10/12/14 GGLS Open House
10/17-19/14 Sacto LS Fall Meet
10/19/14 GGLS Member Meeting
10/19/14 GGLS Board Meeting

November

11/9/14 GGLS Member Meeting
11/9/14 GGLS Board Meeting

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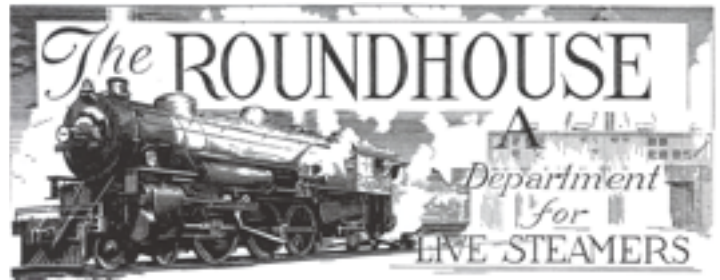
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**Deadline for submittal to next months' issue is
15th of the month**



Announcements



Metal Supermarket in Hayward & Santa Clara, California is now known as Gorilla Metals, Inc. (Sales@GorillaMetals.com). Mark Johnson continues to recommend them for purchase of small quantities of metal.

The Pacific Northwest Live Steamers (PNLS) and the British Columbia Society of Model Engineers (BCSME) have both invited GGLS to attend their Meets. PNLS has recently completed their new roundhouse facility and BCSME is celebrating their 85th anniversary. A copy of the invite can be found on our web site.

The Board is looking for a member to do a video recording of the assets on the club premises for potential insurance claims.

Anyone available to do this please contact Rich Lundberg (luckylundy@sbcglobal.net).

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

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Club Meeting Minutes

The Club meeting was called to order on June 8, 2014 at 10:01 am by President Rich Lundberg with an average turnout of 25+ people. It was a warm 68 degree day that ended up at 100 degrees in the afternoon.

New Members and Guests:

None.

Steam-related Activities:

Christopher Smith spoke about his visit to the Sacramento Live Steamers & Los Angeles Live Steamers Spring Meet. He saw some ideas that might be of use to GGLS.

Bob Morris reminded the members about the Niles Canyon Railway Steamfest celebration and their extensive events directed towards the steam enthusiast.



Pat Young received a flyer from a company called Brooklyn Peddler.com. They sell train oriented toys, novelties, pins, patches, Baby Engineer kits and other. Located in Dublin, their flyer was passed on to the GGLS Auxiliary group who might be interested in this.



The Sierra Railroad in Oakdale, California (www.sierrarailroad.com) sent a flyer describing their Murder Mystery Dinner trips, scheduled for June, July & August; the cost is \$90. The Oakdale

Beer Train on August 2 provides beer tasting from local Northern California Breweries (with live music) for \$45. They also sponsor a Zombie Hunt which seems interesting, especially if one can bring their own guns (just kidding...).

Committee Reports:



Building Chairman Rich Lundberg stated that volunteers are needed to strip prep and paint the Tilden Station.



In the club house, the wood burning stove's flue pipe seam has been repaired by Bill Smith. Thank you Bill for doing the patch and getting all those complainers off the club's back! Members, please follow Bill's example and fix those problems that need fixing and don't just complain about it!

A safety warning from Jim Dameron. He recommends starting the diesel engines outside the Shattock Barn. This is due to space limitations in the Barn that reduces one's ability to safely access, check fuel, and start the engines.



With good weather and the dry track conditions, the Signal Committee states that the signals are working reliably & correctly. There are reports of switch motor problems that are presently being investigated.



High Track chairman Jeremy Coombes stated that there will be some work done during July and August and anyone interested in helping out please contact him ((jeremy@loomislocomotiveworks.com)).



Also Dan Swanson pointed out that t signal hoods are designed to be knocked off instead of breaking and if one is found, place it close by for re-installation and notify the Signal work crew.



Co-chairman Rich Croll pulling the Public Train

Public Train attendance and donations continue to be strong according to co-chairman John Bouey. Hand-stamping young riders with a locomotive image has become so successful that the stamp has worn out and will require a replacement. Way to go, Public Train! For the beginner who would like to learn how to run a real live steam train, please contact John at johnb@morcompost.com.

Locomotive co-chairman Mark Johnson and John Lisherness presented the following status:

Heinz Atlantic: Paul Thompson has finished painting the boiler jacket and the paint job looks real good. New axles have been made while the drive wheels and bearings are being modified.



With regards to the ground tracks, please notify the track co-chairmen Jim Dameron or Bill Smith of any settling/uneven track problems.

Pacific: The new burner is ready to be installed and tested.

RGS #22: The engine is having problems with water delivery to the boiler. It appears that dirt & debris may be getting into water lines somewhere between tender & pumps/injectors. This problem is being looked into by Rich Croll.

Also one of the brake beams broke and has been repaired by Rich Croll.

Baldwin diesel: The spark plug ignition boot was added by Dan Swanson and there is now no arcing problems. The engine continues to be operational.



UVAS diesel: The engine is out of service pending replacement of the directional valve by Rick Zobelein.

Rolling Stock chairman Rich Croll mentioned that there are 9 Public Train riding cars in service. He continues evaluating a suitable truck replacement for the riding car fleet.

The production of the CallBoy has become a mechanized process, according to Interim Editor Pat Young. He produces a rough draft with photos that contains the club & board minutes, Bits and Pieces segment, Editors Video Choice, any special announcements, the Classified Ads and flyers of interest. This is sent out for review and the amended copy is sent to online editor Rick Zobelein. To produce the printed version, Pat edits out the amended copy until it fits in the 8 pages. Member articles, photos & submittals to the CallBoy or our web site are always welcomed.

Web site maintenance is continuing smoothly and it looks like club facility reservations are slowly increasing, which is probably a good thing.

Officer Reports:



There were 2 visitors last month and Secretary Pat Young wanted to thank the Public Train crews for their warm reception shown to both of them. One visitor was Neil Sardinas from Pennsylvania who is in the process of building a Pennsy 0-6-0 B6sb switcher with slope back tender. The other was David Viewing who was royally received and left his card and an open invitation to Northampton SME if anyone planned a visit to the British Isles.

We have paid our club insurance premium for next year and I have filed away the common policy declarations document in the club house if anyone is interested.

Treasurer John Lisherness gave a detailed report of the club treasury after the large outlay for the annual insurance premium. He also handled the mundane task of filling out the various forms & documents required by our Federal, State, and probably other agencies that allow us to continue to exist (thank you, John, for doing this). More specific information and details can be obtained from John if interested.

Old Business:



Last month, Sandy Morris made a proposal to form an auxiliary group within the Golden Gate Live Steamers organization. This month, during a preliminary meeting, she explained in more detail, the goals and function of the group as pertains to fund raising, club events and family-oriented activities. The group is open to everyone and anyone interested can contact Sandy (nanasan1@sbcglobal.net) for further information.

New Business:

None.

Board Meeting Minutes

The June 8, 2014 Board Meeting began at 11:25 am with Board members John Lisherness, Rich Lundberg, Sammy Tamaz, Mark West & Pat Young with Bob Cohen, Rich Croll & Mark Johnson attending.

Old Business:

The policy for disposal of burnt coal cinders & ashes has been decided upon but the oil usage/disposal discussion continues since a club policy has not yet been made.

Roundhouse fuel storage was discussed. After consulting the club's Safety Manual, the following amendment was passed by the Board: "A maximum 5- gallon diesel oil container or coal storage in the proper container is allowed in the roundhouse, one container per stall". The designated container must be appropriate for the material stored (e.g. yellow labeled container for diesel fuel).

New Business:

None.

Policy & Procedures

***om-buds-man* noun**

a person who investigates complaints and tries to deal with problems fairly.

Members who have concerns regarding activities or events that pertain to the club should bring their concerns to the attention of Ken Blonski, the club's ombudsman. In his absence, the Board may be approached. Such issues may be placed on a Board Meeting agenda if necessary.

Membership

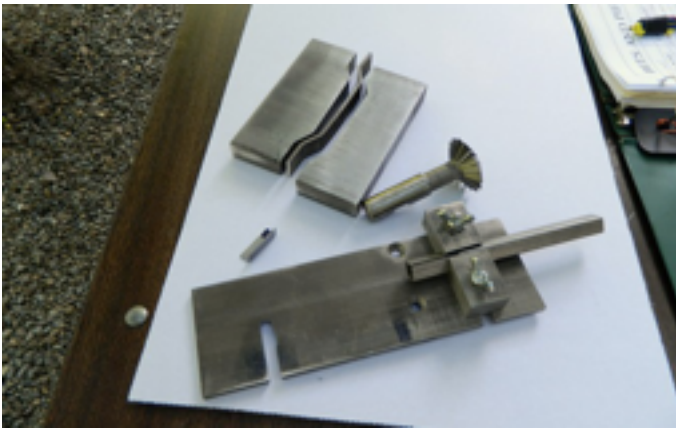
As a reminder, applying for membership requires attending two membership meetings. An application is provided at the first meeting while dues and a completed application is accepted at the second meeting. *This allows a perspective member to become acquainted with the club, its function, and its members, before joining.*

Bits and Pieces

by Sheldon Yee



Dan Swanson - Old Magazine articles regarding GGLS: April, 1953 issue of "The Miniature Locomotive" contained an article on Victor Shattock (GGLS Founder), and a 1987 issue of the same magazine featured an article on GGLS organization.



Jerry Kimberlin - 3 items - first, a press die made from heavy steel to produce arch bars, secondly a Jig made to produce miniature angle stock (jig holds a piece of square stock immobile to allow bandsaw to make a slit cut lengthwise along the manufactured bends on opposing edges), nice job but I'm certain that I have seen small angle stock which would save the effort...nice work, though.



An old time "Putt, Putt " boat model (made in Japan).



Bouchart (sp?) model boiler, with white gas burner and a 2 cylinder, single acting steam engine of the same make (the Bouchart equipment being offered on EBAY, presently).



And third, a coal bucket painted "Safety" orange with black lettering, presumably for use around the Steaming Bays for coal ash collection.



Bob Morris - 3 items - A fire grate for use in a 4-6-0 Little Engines Loco. The bend is to wrap around a drive axle?!



John Lisherness - 2 items - a grouping of home built Poppet check valves, and some parts from the club engines being serviced (the main axle from the club's Heinz Atlantic, containing run out error of 0.025 inches upon rotation, causing wobble).



The fire pan from the club Pacific loco, with an undisclosed malady.



Christopher Smith - Dummy generator for bell ringer.



Dave August – ¼ scale road roller (in progress), scratch-built, one of two (the other being constructed by club member Charlie Reiter). Excellent workmanship (HEAVY) engine features slip eccentrics, which allows for forward/reverse action with a single eccentric movement. Currently running on air, the Road Roller will eventually operate with a Propane burner.



Anthony Duarte - Newly machined & exquisite expansion links for his "in progress" locomotive project.

COAL ASH DISPOSAL POLICY

June 2014

At no time shall locomotive operators dump coal ashes on the ground. Specifically, when shutting down, coal ashes shall be dumped on the small steel table provided at the steaming bays. Or, the collected contents shall be dumped into the small metal garbage can in the steaming bay area for disposal. Alternatively, the ash may be dumped in the ash pit at the Round House. Where coal is dropped onto the track in event of an emergency, the locomotive operator shall remove the dropped coal and ash as soon as it is safe to do so.

Safety Reminder:

Pick up Loose Nails/Screws Whenever You See One

Please be careful not to drop any nails/screws around the facility and kindly pick up any that you come across. We are finding numerous “new” nails & screws in the parking lot and along the tracks. The one that you see and ignore may be the one that later finds your tire and causes a flat on the freeway.

Thanks,
Michael B. Smith
GGLS Safety Committee

GGLS Club Facility Reservation



One of the member benefits that is frequently forgotten is the use of the club facility for private events, meetings and parties. There are multiple picnic tables, rest room facilities & a barbecue that can accommodate large numbers of participants. There is no fee associated with its use (except for extremely large gatherings where we ask for a small donation) and more information on club facility usage can be found on the club web site (www.ggls.org).

Web master Pat Young provides a service using the Calendar page on the club web site to reserve dates for members wishing to use the club facility. If you would like to reserved the club on a specific date, please contact Pat Young (phty95014@yahoo.com) or call for confirmation for club premise availability.

Editor's Video Picks



This month's link was provided by the Riverside Live Steamers' RLS Chronicles newsletter. It points to an article & short video (1:05 minutes) produced by the Wall Street Journal about our hobby. Should give a boost to the live steam community!

<http://online.wsj.com/news/articles/SB1000142405270230462610457912148402190080>

Builders Group

As club librarian Pat Young pointed out to the new builders, there is a wealth of information in the club library that members can take advantage of. This includes our collection of the Home Shop Machinist, Projects in Metal and Machinist Workshop. Please feel free to check out the material and leave a slip of paper with your name and the name/date of the issue borrowed. A check valve drawing supplied by Charlie Reiter from a John Lisherness design was provided by Steve Vitkovits. It was sent out to be shared with other GGLS Builders Group members. If anyone else would like a copy, please email Pat (phty95014@yahoo.com)

Save The Date

AUGUST 8th, 9th, & 10th, 2014

We would like to make a special invitation to Golden Gate Live Steamers to celebrate Pacific Northwest Live Steamers 60th Anniversary open meet in Molalla Oregon on the 9th & 10th. Come and help us celebrate and dedicate PNL's new roundhouse facility. Pacific Northwest Live Steamers (Shady Dell) is Oregon's oldest live steam club in Oregon. We have 3800 feet of track, 60 foot radius, several large trestles & bridges and a 15 foot unloading lift.

Nestled in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains on a tributary of the Molalla River, the park has old growth trees and a large pond with fountain. Also on site is a really nice G scale railroad with real growing scale trees.

Free camping is available with a reservation at registration for the meet. There is no guest engineer fee to attend but donations are greatly appreciated.

On the 8th we will be having an open meet at Grand Island Railroad route of the Black Sheep Oregon's youngest railroad, you may arrive on the 7th if you wish, again free camping is available to meet participants. There are no guest Engineer fees just register and go play. Grand Island is in the wine country of Yamhill County and offers beautiful views of Grand Island's farmlands & fields.

We offer 3000 feet of track a 12 foot unloading lift 47 foot radius that ambles through the Raspberry patch & 100 year old peach tree orchard.

Both clubs have ample riding cars available, if you wish to travel light with just a locomotive or car. Both clubs will be offering club dinners at a reasonable price GIRR's BBQ will be on the night of the 8th and PNLS on the 9th, we will keep you posted on the dinner arrangements as we get closer to the meet. We look forward to seeing you all at both railroads.

PNLS President Patrick Duling
GIRR Head Ram Mike Baker

Swanton Pacific Railroad Society



GGLS Member Amy Herman is pleased to let the membership know that there will be an Open House at the Swanton Pacific Railroad near Davenport, CA on Saturday, August 2. The purpose of the Open House is to showcase the railroad and recruit new volunteers. Swanton Pacific Railroad operates the one-third scale steam engines built by Louis McDermott for the 1915 Pan Pacific Exposition. One of the steam engines is operational, a second is far along in the process of reconstruction after getting a new boiler last year, and a third is awaiting a new boiler. If you are interested in exploring or learning more about Swanton this is a great time to come. Bring a picnic lunch, come as early as 8:00 for steam up if you wish, and plan on touring the facilities, grounds, and snagging a train ride. Call or e-mail Amy for further information, questions, or directions: Phone: 510-841-3804, E-mail AmyLHerman@aol.com. While not required, an RSVP would be appreciated just so we have an idea of how many people to expect.

Wanted **Hand Car Parts** June 15, 2014



Need gears, crank, axles, pump handle, hubs for Fairmont Speeder wheels. Building Sheffield replica. Contact Bob McCoy (925) 518-5909 or John Maryott (925) 786-3696

Reduced for Quick Sale! May 7, 2014



1" scale Maxitrack Coronation Engine This engine is 15 years old, was purchased new in 1998 and includes a custom-built, painted riding car where the riding car features a linkage coupler connection to the locomotive with a standard American knuckle coupler. It needs a new automotive battery and ran many years at the Los Angeles Live Steamers club. Listed last year at \$2,500. Now reduced to \$1,600 for both the locomotive & riding car. I am in Berkeley for pick up or can be brought to the GGLS facility. Jonathan Izen Phone:(707) 322-3434 jonathan.izen@gmail.com

Reduced for Quick Sale!

May 7, 2014



4-4-0 American Locomotive Kit

1/8th scale 4-4-0 American locomotive kit and runs on 7 1/2 or 7 1/4 gauge track. The model is mostly unfinished, only the chassis and front truck have been completed. All parts and drawings included.



Purchased from Railroad Supply Company, with Copper boiler still in the crate.

REDUCED from \$8,000 to \$6,800, OBO but does not include any shipping charges. Save money and arrange to pickup in the Sacramento area.

Doug Fulton – 530-637-5653

email: doug_fulton@sierrasbest.net

For Sale

February 15, 2014

Little Engines 7.5" gauge 0-4-0T Docksider



1.5" scale with 2 3/8" bore, 3" stroke, piston valve, Walschaert valve gear.



Workmanship is quite good.



Professional-made 26" by 9" diameter boiler.

Price: \$5,000 firm. If interested, please contact Bob Morris at postwarbob@sbcglobal.net