



Building Chairman Rich Lundberg awarded with a year's supply of C.H.Hanson carpenter pencils

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Rules of the Month

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By
Dan Swanson



2011 Safety & Operating Rules

May 2016

Section 1 - General Procedures

1.04 Pets *All dogs must be on leash per EBRPD regulations and may not ride the trains. Dogs are not allowed in the steaming bays or in club buildings. All other animals are prohibited. Owners must clean up after their dogs. -*

Section 3 - Operating Procedures

3.09 Backing *Prior to backing, the engineer shall give the correct signal (SEE RULE 5.02). The engineer shall observe the rear of the train for clearance of obstructions, and receive a correct signal from the brakeman that there is a clear track for a minimum of 30 feet. Engines when backing shall observe reduced speeds. It is recognized that an engine running light will not have a brakeman in some cases. This shall not relieve the engineer of the responsibility of insuring a clear track. -*

Section 6 - Safety Committee

6.01 Chairman *The membership shall elect a Safety Committee Chairman who may then assign, either permanently or temporarily, a committee of five (5) members including himself. The chairman will assign a substitute if he is not to be in attendance at any event. He may at any time, substitute members of the committee from those in attendance at the track. In addition, any member of the Board of Directors may act in the capacity of Safety Committee member. -*

Officers

President:	Mark Johnson	510-889-9451
Vice President:	Rick Reaves	510-479-3386
Secretary:	Christopher Smith	650-615-0475
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

05/14/16 Preparation/workday for GGLS Spring Meet
05/15/16 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
05/20-22/16 SVLS Spring Meet
05/28-29/16 LALS Spring Meet

06/04-05/16 Redwood Valley Meet
06/12/16 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
06/25-26/16 GGLS Spring Meet & Open House

07/04/16 Lou Bradas Memorial Run
07/04/16 SVLS 4th of July Run
07/10/16 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
07/23-24/16 PV&A Invitational

08/5-7/16 80th GGLS Anniversary Celebration
08/14/16 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting

09/11/16 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting

10/09/16 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
10/14-16/16 SVLS Fall Meet
10/15/16 Preparation/workday for GGLS Fall Meet
10/22-23/16 GGLS Fall Meet & Open House

11/13/16 General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting
11/13/16 Member Appreciation Lunch

12/03-04/16 SVLS Santa Run
12/10-11/16 SVLS Santa Run
12/11/16 Year End General Monthly Meeting/Board Meeting & Elections

Club Meeting Minutes

President Mark Johnson called the General Meeting to order at 10:00

New Members, Guests and Guests:

We would like to welcome our newest member, Paul Denham, who is also associated with the Bay Area Engine Modelers (BAEM).

We would like to welcome back former member John Bouey.

Steam-related Activities



Matt Thomas reported on his recent visit to Hillcrest Rail fair and his volunteering at Rail Town with his children, Abby and Wyatt. More information can be found at <http://hillcrestreedley.com/>.



Christopher Smith recently accepted a job with the San Francisco Zoo and Gardens where he maintains and operates a 22" Cagney for visitors on their ½ mile layout. He mentioned that while netting in 2 million dollars last year, the steam engine is 111 years old. More information on "Little Puffer" can be found at: www.sfzoo.org/about/historic-sites-little-puffer.htm

Chris also visited Sagebrush Short line in Ridgecrest, California. He stated that he had a wonderful time and plans to go back.



Mark Johnson recently visited Pittsburgh, where he witnessed full size railroading. He also visited the Soldier and Sailor Memorial Hall & Museum. More info can be found at soldiersandsailorshall.org/



Mark also reported that the San Leandro Historical Railway Society had one of their club's open house on April 9th and 10th. Chris brought down his 3.5" gauge live steamer for show and tell, while promoting the Golden Gate Live Steamers. Check their web site for more information at www.slhrs.org/



Bruce continues to update us on the Truckee Live Steamers, who are in the process of adding more track. They recently bought a new steam locomotive to pull their public train. So, check their web site at: www.truckeedonnerailroadsociety.com/

General Announcements

Nothing to Report.

Officer's Report:

President Mark Johnson: On March 17, 2016, President Mark Johnson attended & represented the Golden Gate Live Steamers at the East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) Board Operations Committee Hearing. The Operations Board accepted & unanimously passed our Lease request. The next step is for the Lease agreement to go to the General Board for review and EBRPD Board approval. Mark also asked for members to sign the book in the Clubhouse when you come to the track.

Vice President: Rick Reeves stated he has the Automated External Defibrillator (AED) report ready for the Board Meeting.

Treasurer: For a detailed information regarding the Club's financial accounts contact John Lisherness.

Secretary: Nothing to Report.

Ombudsmen: Nothing to report.

Committee Reports:

Buildings: Rich Lundberg reported that two curbs were poured on February 14th for the round house rebuild. He would like to thank everyone involved, especially member Andy Weber, the "Human Concrete Mixer".

He also mentions that the barn needs to soon be repainted and will be looking for volunteers.

He reminds everyone that the electronic access to the clubhouse is from 7 am to 7 pm.

Grounds: Nothing to report.

Safety Committee: Nothing to report.

Signals: Nothing to report.

Ground Track: John Lytle mentions that he and a few other members aligned & adjusted parts of the outside loop track. The Public Train Crew reported that they have had no derailments ever since these improvements have been made.

High Track: Nothing to report.

Public Train: March was considered a slow month due to the poor weather that we have encountered.

Locomotives: Mark Johnson reports:

RGS 22: Richard Croll reports that the new

Lubricator for the #22 was installed and it is working fine. The #22 continues to do an excellent job pulling the Public Train on Sundays.

Hunter Atlantic: Rick Reeves has taken over the work on this engine. Rick is working on the engines brakes and apparently the missing parts to this engine have been found.

Heinz Atlantic: John Lisherness reports that the work on this engine is on hold.

Johnson Pacific: John Lisherness reports that the propane burner design has been completed and fabrication is to follow.

Diesels: Rick Zobelein reports that the 1936 (Baldwin), and 1971 (UVIS) are both in good running order.

Rolling Stock: Two of the new riding cars are soon to be completed.

Callboy and Web Page: Nothing to report.

Membership: Nothing to report.

Roundhouse: Nothing to report.

80th Anniversary: Sandy Morris mentioned that the committee will be focusing on getting raffle items. Christopher Smith graciously donated 8 tickets from the Walt Disney Family Museum and 4 Tickets from the San Francisco Zoo and Gardens. If anyone else would like to donate prizes, please see Sandy Morris.

Old Business:



Sandy Morris proudly stated that we have reached 44 club jacket orders. We hope to do a second run if there is more interest in these jackets and is a great way to show club pride!

New Business:

Steve Vitkovits gave a short talk about our club membership numbers and how to maintain it. He mentioned that the club consist of three main parts which would be our Public Train, our support (such as

the grounds and buildings), and our legacy. He gave some key points that we as a club should look into. Any further information can be obtained from Steve.

Fifteen Members of the club signed a petition for the nomination of three new life members. These nominations include Richard Croll, Walter Oellerich, and Mel McDonough. These three members are a prime example of hardworking members, who works nonstop to improve our club. The nominations will now go to the Board for the motion to be voted on by the membership at the May meeting.

GGLS is hosting a Potluck/Run Day/Swap meet on June 5th at 12 pm. Everyone is welcomed to attend and bring a side dish big enough to feed 5 other people. The burgers and hotdogs will be provided by the Club. A sign-up sheet will be located in the Clubhouse to coordinate who is bringing what food item. Any questions can be answered by Chris.

General Meeting Adjourned at 11:00am

Board Meeting Minutes

The Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by President Mark Johnson at 11:50 am.

Old Business:

A motion was second and passed to send an Invitation to the East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) Board Members for 80th Celebration Dinner. GGLS will also invite the EBRPD Analyst and Business Agent and GGLS will pay for these dinners.

A GGLS Pot Luck Lunch Motion was made, seconded and passed where the Club is to provide burgers and hot dogs and Bob Cohen has offered to get the meat for this event.

Members are encouraged to bring a side dish and drinks and Chris Smith volunteered to coordinate the food sign-up sheet. The event date and time is June 5, 2016 at 12 pm.

The Board discussed the next GGLS Swap Meet. A Motion was made, seconded and passed to have Swap Meet on June 5, 2016. The notification will go out in the CallBoy.

Rick Reeves brought his report on an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). It will be reported further next month.

A report was submitted by Michael Smith about the update on the roundhouse.

ID Information of Board members is needed by John Lisherness for account management. The Board is requested to send their ID information to John Lisherness at their earliest convenience.

Increasing members' participation was a discussion item for the Board.

The GGLS is now sponsoring Bay Area Engine Modelers (BAEM) involvement at shows, a GGLS Swap Meet and the GGLS Pot Luck. GGLS Board and GGLS Members are encouraged to come up with additional ideas and concepts for further increased member participation.

The Board made a motion for the general membership to vote on the Life Member nominations for Richard Croll, Walter Oellerich, and Mel McDonough. It was seconded and passed. The general membership will vote on these nominations in the May club meeting.

New Business:

Jerry Kimberlin will undertake the item of revising the GGLS Safety Rules and report back to the Board when completed.

Christopher Smith brought up the idea of playing Railroad Poker at the 80th Anniversary as a way to raise money for GGLS. He will present this idea to the general membership during the May meeting to see if there is any interest. It has been tabled until next month.

The meeting was adjourned.

Bits and Pieces

by Sheldon Yee



Jerry Kimberlin – Home-built tube die former. A 2-piece rectangular die which holds a piece of copper tubing in such a way as to form a circular boss onto a tube at a predetermined point, creating a ball or flare,

much as some plumbing pieces are normally assembled in separate pieces.



Christopher Smith – Trailing Truck for a Pacific locomotive.



Mark Johnson – A Keim steam powered water pump.



Paul Denham – An old 3 1/2" gauge locomotive chassis in 0-4-2 arrangement, dated early 1950's or thereabouts. Any information about it is welcome!



To all GGLS and BAEM Members

By Steve Vitkovits

A Model Engineering Exhibition will be held during the Spring, Fall Meets and the Open Houses Celebration and models in various stages of completion will be needed for display.

Wanted: Any example of model engineering – steam engines of all varieties, internal combustion engines, tooling, in short, any object of metal working craftsmanship is welcome to be displayed. Compressed air will be available to run small models or if you have your own small steam boiler, bring it along to steam your display in a realistic way.

The purpose of this grand “Show and Tell” is to give visitors to our Open House a realistic idea of what is involved in getting started in the model engineering hobby. Your description & comments may be that special inducement to a visitor to become a member of the hobby or get a member who has not yet found the joy of building to do something.

The exhibition will be shown in the area in front of the clubhouse and large steam locomotive or engines under construction will be put on shown on the display track.

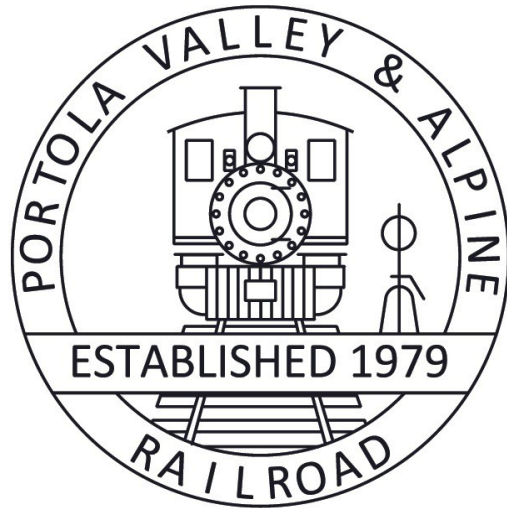
Although there is an effort to keep administrative issues to a minimum, it would be very helpful if we knew who is going bring what. So, after you look over your handiwork and choose something to show, please email to Steve Vitkovits at ferrous1991@gmail.com with the following:

Print your: name,
 description of the model,
 builder's name,
 year built or year started
 anything else that would be of interest
 to the viewer.

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Need compressed air to run your display?

How much area will you require? We define the standard unit of area as one half of a folding table.



Invite to GGLS & SVLS on July 23, 24, 2016

By Bob Silverstein

Hi,

I'm Bob Silverstein, Chairman of the Portola Valley & Alpine Railroad (pvarr.org). We're hoping that some of your members would be interested to join us for an event in the summer.

We have ample RV space for members who would to stay Saturday night. We will fire up the BBQ on Saturday for lunch.

This invite is being extended to both the Golden Gate Live Steamers and the Sacramento Valley Live Steamers.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Bob

www.pvarr.org/

Wanted

Railroad Supply 1 ½-inch scale couplers
January 5, 2016

Want Railroad Supply 1 ½-inch scale couplers (Need total of 3 pairs) rough or machined, and freight car trucks (rough castings up to running trucks).

Also looking for 1 ½" scale old time RRSC gondola and/or flat car. All items for personal use at GGLS. Please advise of prices. Thank you.

Michael B. Smith
(415) 558-4536 or
michael.smith@sfdpw.org

Wanted

OPERATING TOY TRAIN LAYOUT
January 5, 2016

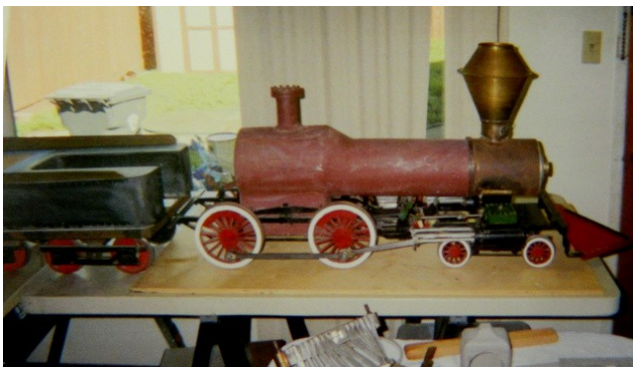
I want American Flyer S-gauge and Lionel O-gauge toy trains. I am an operator and not a collector or reseller.

Please advise what you have to offer and will pay fair prices depending on the condition of items. Thank you.

Michael B. Smith
(415) 558-4536 or
michael.smith@sfdpw.org

For Sale

Railway Supply 4-4-0
February 8, 2016



I have too much stuff, so I am selling my Railway Supply 4-4-0!

It has new Steam Age boiler, new Railway Supply fiberglass tender body and many accessories. Runs great on air!

New asking price of **\$4,500** or Best Offer.

If interested or have questions, contact:
Dave Bradas
dabradas@yahoo.com (707) 252-7390

For Sale

Key System Bridge Unit
April 16, 2016



Built by Richard Bartel in 1983, these units are very close to the original units that transported workers and public between San Francisco & Oakland every day. I am proud to offer them for sale since Dick says it's time they go to a new home.



They measure around 14' but break down easily for transport. Included are 2 all steel stands for home storage. They operate on (4) 12-volt batteries which I just replaced. Plus (2) 6-volt batteries which are still good. Also included are 3 battery chargers. The 12-volt chargers do 2 batteries at once. There are (6) 24-volt motors that power these units. It also comes with a mercer flat car with mercer trucks plus 2 boat seats.

New Lower Price: **\$8,000** Less Transport Vehicle

I, Bob Morris, can be reached at 925-240-9034 or cell 209-743-1300