



The Club gratefully wants to acknowledge the much appreciated efforts of Chairperson Sandy Morris and her team for their tireless effort in putting together the club's 80th Anniversary Celebration

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Rules of the Month



Sept 2016
By
Dan Swanson



2011 Safety & Operating Rules

Section 1 - General procedures
1.02 Handcars *Handcars and other non-powered vehicles shall operate only when steam or other motorized equipment is not on the tracks. When permitted they may only operate on the outer loop and flat part of the inner loop around the Club - house and Roundhouse, using the cutoff by the Roundhouse. They are not permitted on the trestle at any time. -*

Section 6 - Safety Committee
6.09 Accidents *Persons involved in any accidents involving injury of anykind or damage to club or private equipment shall fit out and file an accident report with a safety officer. -*

6.10 Failure To Appear *Failure to appear before the board of directors when summoned or otherwise required to do so shall be interpreted as a default and the Board may then take any action deemed appropriate without recourse on the part of the individual. -*

Section 8 - Fuel Storage at the GGLS Facilities
8.01.1 Fuel Types Allowed *For solid fuel fired engines (coal, charcoal, wood or other solid fuels), fuel remaining in the tender when the engine is placed in the facility is allowed. -*

Officers

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| 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

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| 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: | Dan Swanson |
| 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 or contact him at (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 are 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).

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

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

Vice President Rick Reaves called the General Meeting to order at 10:00

General Announcements:



Amy Herman mentioned that the Swanton Pacific Railroad is hosting Cal Poly day on October 9th and she encourages our members to attend. You can sign up on their website (<http://sprr.calpoly.edu/>) and since space is limited, sign up ASAP.

New & Returning Members, Visitors, Guests:

None.

Steam-related Activities:



Michael Smith talked about his family vacation to Alaska, where he rode on the Alaskan Railroad. He was also able to visit the Alaska Live Steamers.

Officers' Report:

President Mark Johnson: "We had wonderful 80th Anniversary Celebration and everyone that was able to attend indicated that they had a great time. I would especially like to acknowledge & thank Sandy Morris for the hard work & excellent job that she & her committee did putting the event together and for making sure that everything went smoothly.

I have received notification from the East Bay Regional Park District that they will be coming onto the club facility to make a safety inspection. They have given the tentative date for the inspection as being on October 8, 2016, sometime between 8 am and 3 pm. We will get a definite date & time when the inspection gets closer.

In getting ready for the safety inspection Rick Zobelein and I have noticed that some of our fire extinguishers are way past due for inspection and refill. I have asked Rick to look into getting this taken care of and if necessary, to purchase new equipment in for the inspection.

The GGLS Board is getting closer to finalize the Club's insurance coverage and Secretary Chris Smith is handling the interaction with the club's insurance broker.

Finally, when operating your trains, please remember to stay alert so that accidents can be avoided. Remember, Safety First."

Vice President: Nothing to report.

Treasurer: For a detailed report on the club's finances, please see John Lisherness.

Secretary: Nothing to report.

Safety Chairman: Nothing to report.

Ombudsmen: Not present.

Committee Reports:

Buildings:



Rich Lundberg reported that the roundhouse repair is progressing as planned.



He stated that the tool shed is being prepared for painting and he is looking for volunteers to put new shingles on the roof. If you are interested in volunteering and have roofing experience, please contact Rich (luckylundy@sbcglobal.net).

Grounds: Nothing to report.

Safety Committee: Safety Chairperson Jerry Kimberlin wants reminds everyone to please respect the club handcar rules.

Signals: Dan Swanson has been awarded the position of Signal committee chairperson. Also, there is a dark signal over by the Diamondback Smelting plant.

Ground Track: Nothing to report.



High Track: John Lytle has repair a few trouble spots along the high track. Chief High Track test tracker Mel McDonough has reported that his 3/4" Northern locomotive does not derail in those spots anymore!



Public Train: Rich would like to thank his dedicated crew for all of their hard work and he also mentioned that they broke past 800 riders during the 80th Anniversary.

Locomotives:

RGS 22: Richard Croll reports that the engine continues to perform well on Sundays Public Train runs and there are no current problems.

Johnson Pacific: Mike Gershowitz is reassembling the cab and piping. John Lisherness installed the new propane burner and testing firing will be done after the pipe work is in place.

Heintz Atlantic: The valve gear overhaul is ongoing.

Hunter Atlantic: Boiler water is being fed off the axle pump.

Gas Diesel Engines: All are running.

Rolling Stock: Rich Croll has requested that when putting the public train cars away, please do not put them back in numerical order. Contact Rich (railroc66@yahoo.com) for further details.

Also all of the air leaks throughout the riding cars have been taken care of. Finally, two riding cars were placed out of service.

Callboy/ Website: Compliments for both the printed and online versions of the CallBoy newsletters still come which indicates the readers are still happy with the contents & format.

The problem of Norton Utilities declaring our web site as dangerous was discussed briefly and more details can be found in a separate article in this issue.

Membership: Nothing to report.

Roundhouse: The new roundhouse stall locks have arrived and Rich Lundberg will set them with their own individual combination.

Michael Smith will soon be scheduling a work party for opening the shanks to accommodate the new locks and to also fix the turntable leads.

80th Anniversary: The 80th was a success and Sandy would like to thank volunteers for helping out throughout the event (see her accompanying article in this issue of the CallBoy). The GGLS would also like to thank Sandy Morris for planning and supervising this event!

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

GGLS members have been invited to participate in the Good Guys festival with the Bay Area Engine Modelers (BAEM). For more information and opportunities to participate in future events, please contact Paul Denham (pedenham@comcast.net).

General Meeting Adjourned at 10:30 am.

Board Meeting Minutes

The Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by Vice President Rick Reaves at 11:15 am.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

John Lisherness brought up the proposal of buying Bob Cohen's unfinished RGS 20 locomotive. The motion was made and passed to offer Bob \$22,000 for his unfinished RGS locomotive.

Christopher Smith made a motion which was passed to give Bob Cohen permission to buy another propane storage locker.

Other Business:

The Board reviewed the new insurance quote provided and Secretary Christopher Smith will find out further details on the quote for the next Board meeting.

The meeting was adjourned 12:00 pm.

Bits and Pieces

by Sheldon Yee



From Rich Croll and Jerry Kimberlin:



Door Post Support for 2 1/2" scale Club Boxcar (made of pewter metal).

GGLS Web Site Access Problems?



A few months ago, it has been reported by several members that they have received the following screen pop up from Norton Utilities.

After some preliminary investigation, it seems that the problem is not as severe as Norton has indicated. Among the members experiencing this problem was that they used Comcast as their internet provider and Norton Utilities.

If you have encountered the problem but would like to access our club web page (www.goldengatels.org or www.ggls.org) you can do so by temporarily turning off Norton, access our web page and turning Norton back on until a permanent resolution can be found.

If you have any questions, comments or any web site related problems,, please feel free to contact Pat Young (phty95014@yahoo.com)

To the Public Train Crew



You guys are doing a terrific job with the public train. All members very much appreciate the efforts & great results you and the rest of the Public Train Committee are achieving.

John Lisherness

Marine Triple-Expansion Steam Engine In Operation

By Bruce Anderson



I just edited a version of the SS JEREMIAH O'BRIEN focusing primarily on the engine room under steam and thought you might enjoy it. It's a shorter version of a

video I did in 2012 for the Champagne Toast of the departure of the Battleship IOWA.

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/12nDAg-oWZc>

Video Choices from Our Membership



From Loren Byron, a 32:12 minute youtube video from Christopher Kovacs: "From famous speed demons to underrated heavy haulers, this list chronicles my Top 15 picks for extinct classes of American Steam Locomotives!"

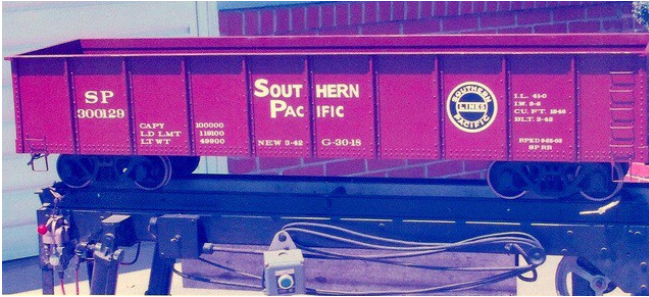
www.youtube.com/watch?v=MdD3LONv1TY



A 3:16 minute youtube video by John Stychno where "Zack builds the most amazing backyard railroad you've ever seen."

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UWx2R_qaLXA

For Sale
August 16, 2016
1.5" Mercer Gondola from the 1980's



Body is 1 1/8" aluminum sheet and the ends are aluminum castings. The car is equipped with Andrews trucks and couplers are from Mercer. The graphics are from Miracle Graphics.



Buyer can pick up the gondola at Stockton, California or arrangements can be made to pick up at the GGLS club facility in Berkeley, California.

Asking \$795

Roy Motz
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(209) 478-6843

Thank You

I want to thank each club member who volunteered their time and energy to make the GGLS 80th Anniversary such a huge success. The ladies who scrubbed every inch of the inside of the clubhouse and then spent the whole weekend feeding the attendees...you are amazing, and I want everyone to know just how much time and effort that you put in.

The Thursday Crew...your efforts made the exterior portion of the facility look so much nicer. Even the signs got cleaned! I know that moving all those tables was a huge amount of work, as was setting up all of those canopies. As each day of the event became hot, everyone really appreciated the shade that they provided. Outside Volunteers during the event kept things running smoothly by monitoring the gate and parking lot, along with assisting folks with their engines and answering questions.

Many members helped by donating and/or gathering items for the Raffle, which was a fun and fantastic fund raiser. Congratulations to all who won prizes! The grillers who provided burgers & dogs, along with pancakes & sausage... Thank you! Working in conjunction with the ladies in the Clubhouse Cafe you all worked hard to provide delicious food during the weekend. To those who shopped for food and beverages, took photographs, picked up the rental table & chairs, and those who worked to keep things clean during the event...Thank you!

And, thank you to my husband, Bob Morris, for your hard work & caring support during the past few months as this event came together. You are my rock!

I know that I'm going to forget some of you in this list...and truly, that is the worst part of writing a Thank You. Please know that I appreciate each and every one of you and I thank you all from the very bottom of my heart.

I also wish to convey my gratitude for the wonderful gift certificate that was presented to me at the August Club Meeting. A huge thank you to all who contributed. I was totally taken by surprise and I'm really looking forward to taking a "Shopping Day"!

With Much Appreciation.
Sandy Morris, Event Chairperson



Volunteers - The ♥ of GGLS

