

The Call Boy

Steaming Bay Storage Barn



For many years, the small scale steaming bays sat idle as most members were using the large bays located right off the turn table. Recently, the club decided to allow that additional storage buildings could be constructed at these unused bays. It was the responsibility of the interested party to supply material and construct the storage building. Here we see Steve Vitkovitz and his son Ray put the finishing touches on their new storage barn. Steve, “thinking outside the box” decided one door is better than two. The bar seen above controls another bar inside that secures the door when locked. Turning the bar counterclockwise releases the lock and the entire door can be removed from the front of the building!

Event Calendar

June

06/02/18 GGLS Spring Meet
06/03/18 GGLS Open House
06/10/18 GGLS Member Meeting
06/10/18 GGLS Board Meeting
06/23-24/18 PV&ARR Joint Meet
GGLS & SVLS @ PV&ARR

July

07/08/18 GGLS Member Meeting
07/08/18 GGLS Board Meeting

August

08/12/18 GGLS Member Meeting
08/12/18 GGLS Board Meeting

September

09/09/18 GGLS Member Meeting
09/09/18 GGLS Board Meeting
09/15/18 Smith Lodge Meeting
09/22/18 GGLS Fall Meet
09/23/18 GGLS Open House
09/29-30/18 PV&A Trip/Train Mtn

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



Announcements

Sandy Morris handed out order forms for GGLS T-shirts, etc. The deadline for ordering was May 16th to ensure that they would be available by the June Meet.

Bob Morris reported that a group of Marklin train enthusiasts want to use our facility on Saturday, May 12th. He asked if anyone could host the group, but no one stepped forward. So Bob said he would do it.

Richard Croll reminded members on the rules for using the club gas cans. He asked members to please use the oldest cans first (they are tagged with the date filled), and to empty one gas can before using the next.

General Electric

General Electric is merging their diesel locomotive division with Wabtac. This doesn't sound like a merger of similar entities unless you knew that Wabtac was formerly called Westinghouse Air Brake Technologies. Now THAT makes some sense!

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

Track & Club House Location
2501 Grizzly Peak Blvd.
Berkeley, CA, 94708
510-486-0623
www.ggls.org

Club Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order by President Rich Lundberg at 10:01 AM. There were 20 members present.

There were no guests or new members.

Steaming/Other Activities:



Richard Croll reported that he, his brother & Walt Oellerich made a trip to Train Mountain for the Spring Awakening Meet. The work week had fair attendance but few, if any, were running on Friday.

Officer Reports

President: Nothing to report.

Secretary:

Secretary Richard Croll reported that our insurance policy covering the club rolling stock is being renewed.

Richard also talked about the insurance coverage in answer to a question from last month. He stated that in general terms, members are covered for injuries to themselves in connection with work on the club. The club's liability policy will cover injuries to the Public. The policies do not cover members for injuries to themselves while running their own equipment for personal use, nor does it cover member's own equipment.

Treasurer:

Treasurer John Lisherness reported on the club's finances for the month. As usual, if members want details they can contact John directly.

Safety: Nothing to report.

The President reminded members to get their boilers tested before the meet.

Ken Blonski mentioned that we are out of caution tape. Bob Morris was asked to get some.

The President also suggested that if members do work with stakes or rebar sticking up, to put plastic caps on them. If there are none at the club, he asked members to obtain them for their project.

Committee Reports

Buildings: Nothing to report.

Grounds:

Walter Oellerich reported that he donated a 15-gallon, battery-powered sprayer for weed spraying. He & Rick Reaves sprayed the weeds with it.

The President asked if anyone had done any weed eating. He emphasized that it needs to get done.

Ken Blonski mentioned that there was a lot of redwood debris on the track. Rich Lundberg pointed out that the right of way should be blown off, not raked, and it should be done first thing in the morning before running.

Signals: Nothing to report.

Ground Track:



Richard Croll reported that thanks to the Thursday crew, the new lift-out High Track bridge is in place and the ground track under it is ready to use. Sheldon Yee will likely get the high track connecting it in place today. Richard also mentioned that the

turnout that goes off the siding to the roundhouse needs a new point. It works to get to the roundhouse.



A round of applause was given to John Nicholson for having the new swing out bridge fabricated for the club.

Locomotives:

Mark Johnson reported the following:

RGS #22

Remains out-of-service for repair.

RGS#20

continues to pull the Public Train every Sunday.

Hunter Atlantic

is still operational. Safety valves and blow downs have been checked.

Heinz Atlantic

is being worked on by Vlad.

Johnson Pacific

is operational.

Gas Engines

are both operational.

Mark also mentioned that Mike Gershowitz is planning to do another Steam Locomotive Instruction class.

Rolling Stock: Nothing to report.

Public Train:



Walter reported we have many happy riders. He also asked members to be patient during the Open House when the Public Train is loading and unloading by the Shattuck Barn. He reiterated how important the donations from the Public Train are to the club. Walt also asked for volunteers to help during the Open House.

Web/Callboy:

Pat Young reported that Rick Zobelein was pleased with the minutes text he received last month without tabs. He also mentioned that he added the Northeast Ohio Live steamers meet info to the website and reminded that PV&A is planning a trip to Train Mountain in September.

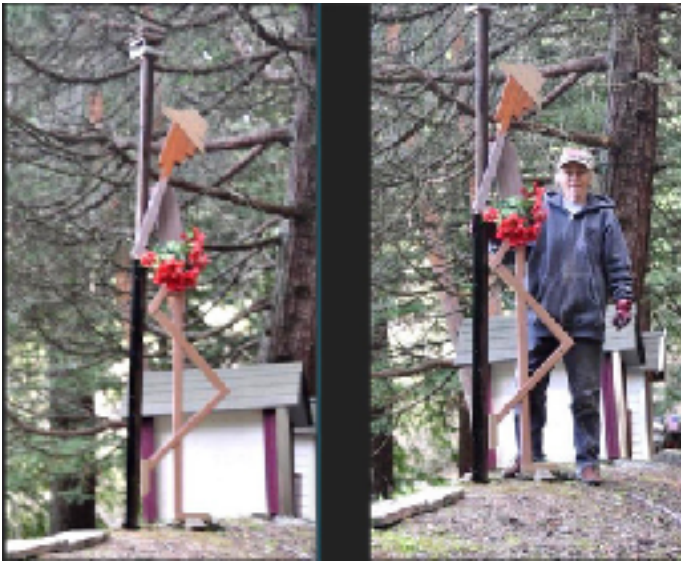
Builders Group: Nothing to report.

Spring Meet/Open House:

Bob Morris confirmed that Jeff's Pit Stop Barbeque will be there. He also stated that the access to the clubhouse during the Public Open House will only be for members and only through the kitchen.

Old Business: None.

New Business



The President talked about an incident that was reported to him by Susan Debeling. She and Arte have been building and maintaining the small structures around the railroad. On February 14, she placed a whimsical sculpture "George" on the hill outside the clubhouse. On April 8th the sculpture was gone. This was the first of what was going to be a series placed various places on the railroad. She asked if the Club had removed it and was assured that the Club did not remove him. The President asked if anyone knew anything about this, or was involved, to contact him directly. Rich pointed out that the sculpture was mounted to a strong stake driven well into the ground, so it would have taken some effort to remove it.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:44 AM.

Minutes of the Board Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 11:03 AM. All board members except for John Lytle were present.

The Secretary read the minutes of the April Board of Directors meeting. Mark Johnson made a motion, seconded by Jerry Kimberlin to accept the minutes as read. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Security:

Bob Cohen reported that the cameras had been refocused but not repositioned. He received a quote from Pacific Rim Security to add another camera. Total cost would be \$658.13. A motion was made by Mark Johnson, seconded by Richard Croll, to purchase the camera. Discussion was held, and it was determined that the camera would be mounted in the middle of the clubhouse roof, covering the rear side. Motion passed.

Dues:

The President reported that the current number of members is 146. Discussion was held about the decline in membership over the last several years.

Roof:

Richard Croll reported on the bids he obtained for replacing the clubhouse and Tilden station roofs. Johnson made a motion, seconded by John Lisherness to accept the bid from Lovette and Lovette. Motion passed unanimously.

Roundhouse:

Tabled.

Storage Contract:

Draft copy was handed out. Tabled.

Bylaws:

Nothing new was reported.

Driveway:

Tabled.

Continuity:

The President stated that he wanted the Treasurer to provide copies of all the prior year's documents, so they can be put scanned into the archive files on the club web site server. The Secretary asked Webmaster Pat Young to put the Secretary's duties file into the archive.

Diesel Locomotive:

Richard Croll mentioned a possible locomotive being available locally.

New Business

Clubhouse Phone Bill Increase

The Treasurer brought up the issue of the increasing telephone bill at the clubhouse. Discussion was held as to whether we needed a land line or not. Bob Cohen is to investigate alternatives. Richard Croll mentioned that the answering machine had failed. Bob Cohen offered an answering machine he has and will bring it up to the club.

Meeting adjourned at 12:03 PM.

Bits and Pieces

by Sheldon Yee



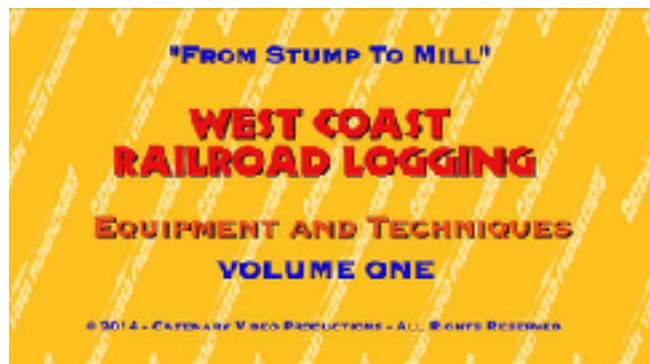
Charlie Reiter – Axles and a rim for model steam traction engine, designed by Dennis McLaughlin of “Best” Steam Tractor fame.



Rich Lundberg – a catalog from Hobbies, including history.

From the Membership

From Loren Bryon, two video selections:



A 4:26 minute YouTube promo video where:

"Geography and time have brought enormous changes to the art of transforming raw logs into useful lumber. Producer-archivist Don Olsen, has spent over two decades amassing rare footage spanning 50 years, which detail logging by railroad on the West Coast <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GRI-SEbYA3E>



"This 4:55 minute YouTube promo video for Volume Two, last in the set of two DVDs available from Catenary Video Productions, covers challenges which faced railroad construction, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=djAw9feEoGA>

For Sale
May 4, 2018

The following items are for sale:

Hydraulic train engine transfer and work table (air powered also). Very unique and versatile; 2200 lb. capacity, excellent features.

A large arbor press.

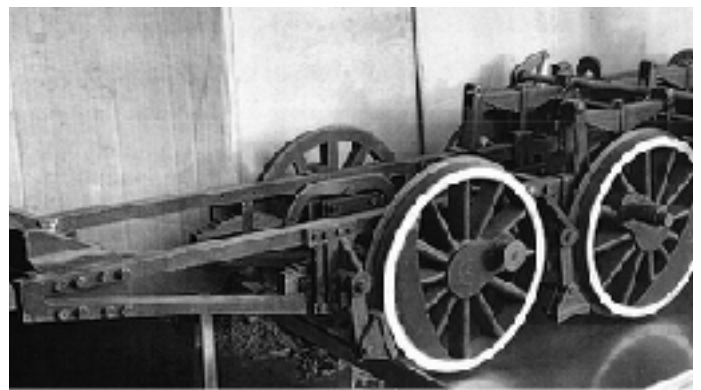
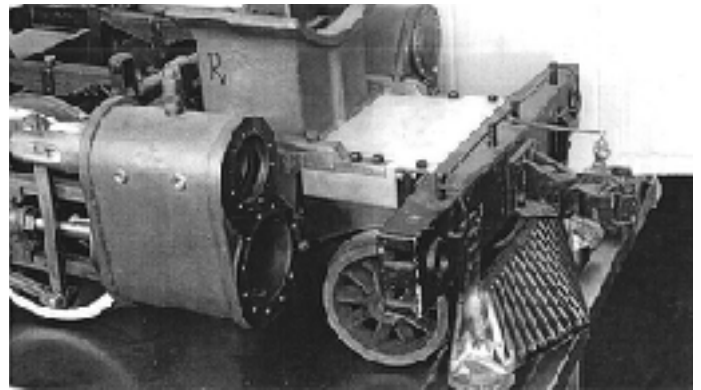
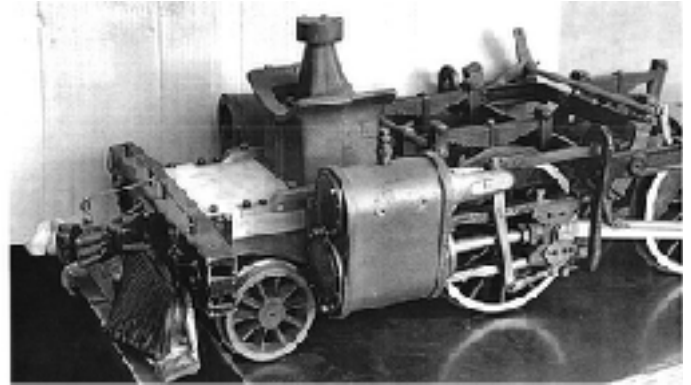
Surface grinder, 6" x 12" with magnetic chuck. Comes with diamond wheel dresser and end mill sharpening fixture. Comes with a stand that has 8" swivel casters.

In excellent condition and see page 738 in 2018 Grizzly catalog or page 698 in their 2017 catalog for more detail.

Items must leave my shop, so give me your best offer and I can help load any sold item with my crane.

John Maryott
Danville, California
call (925) 786-3696

For Sale
January 2, 2018



A partially built Little Engines, 7.5" gauge, 2-6-0 for \$3,900 which is semi-negotiable.

The buyer can pick it up at the ranch or arrangements can be made for delivery.

If interested or for more information, contact:

Dave Luther
(209) 533-4444
(209) 743-0442

DATE OF LIST: 03/01/18

**WAITING LIST FOR GGLS ROUNDHOUSE STALL
AND/OR STORAGE LOCATION**

No.	GGLS Member	Date name	Location
		added to list	Preference
1	Benjamin Lerman (Sam Lerman)	12/18/12	Roundhouse
2	Pat Young	08/18/15	Roundhouse
3	Don Ratto	01/31/16	Roundhouse
4	Lisa Kimberlin	02/21/16	Roundhouse
5	Bruce Anderson	03/18/16	Roundhouse
6	Edson Lee	03/18/16	Roundhouse
7	John Lytle	05/04/16	RH/Storage
8	Derek Schipper	11/13/16	RH/Storage
9	Armando Epifani	01/08/17	Roundhouse
10	Issac Gonzalez	06/30/17	Roundhouse

**WAITING LIST FOR SECOND GGLS ROUNDHOUSE STALL
AND/OR STORAGE LOCATION**

No.	GGLS Member	Date name	Location
		added to list	Preference
1	John Lisherness	03/10/13	Roundhouse
2	Matthew Thomas	11/24/13	Roundhouse
3	Mark Johnson	07/08/15	Roundhouse
4	Bob Cohen	03/18/16	Roundhouse
5	Michael B. Smith	08/12/16	Roundhouse
6	John Lytle	05/01/17	Roundhouse

Regular members of GGLS requesting to place their name on the Waiting List for a roundhouse stall and/or storage location shall contact Michael B. Smith, GGLS Roundhouse Chairman by email at smithrailroad124@gmail.com. I will confirm your request by return email. Your name will be placed on the next issuance of the Waiting List which is updated bimonthly.

The current list shall be posted on the clubhouse bulletin board and inserted bimonthly in the CallBoy. Please contact Michael B. Smith at (650) 615-0475 or at the email noted above.

Last list dated 01/01/18

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