The Call Boy

Bay Area Engine Modelers

This year, during our Spring Meet and Open House, we were very fortunate that these fellows were able to come up to our track and display some of the projects they have worked on. Similar to our steam engines, all these models actually work. The automobile engines were of particular interest and were “fired-up” minus any exhaust mufflers and attracted quite a bit of attention!. As they have lost their former meeting location, GGLS has invited them to use our club house for their monthly meetings!

Event Calendar

July
7/04/16 Lou Bradas Memorial Run
7/04/16 SVLS 4th of July Run
7/10/16 GGLS Member Meeting
7/10/16 GGLS Board Meeting
7/23-24/16 PV&A Invitational

August
8/5-7/16 GGLS 80th Anniversary
8/14/16 GGLS Member Meeting
8/14/16 GGLS Board Meeting

September
9/11/16 GGLS Member Meeting
9/11/16 GGLS Board Meeting

October
10/09/16 GGLS Member Meeting
10/09/16 GGLS Board Meeting
10/14-16/16 SVLS Fall Meet
10/15/16 Work Day for Fall Meet
10/22/16 GGLS Fall Meet
10/23/16 GGLS Open House
Announcements

Lou Bradas Memorial Run

Every July 4th, besides being Independence Day, is the Lou Bradas Memorial Run at the track. Lou was a long time member of GGLS and his kids, Lou and Dave, whom we all know, bring their families up to the track, along with members of their Masonic Lodge for a day of picnics and train rides. No fire works but lots of good food and friends for all attending!

GGLS 80th Anniversary & Celebration

Our 80th Celebration is fast approaching and there is much help needed to make it happen. Sandy Morris has a signup sheet that needs to be filled out with volunteers that'll handle different responsibilities during the event. Please let her know you can help by signing up for a “part time” position! She can’t do it all by herself!

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.gglgs.org
Club Meeting Minutes
President Mark Johnson called the General Meeting to order at 10:06 am.

New & Returning Members, Visitors, Guests:
Alex and Dante DeCarli have shown an interest in joining GGLS and they currently have a 4-4-0 locomotive. Say “Hi” if you see them!

Steam-related Activities
When Charlie Reiter was in New York, he was able to ride the subway and check out their museum.

Bruce Anderson mentioned that he was able to go around the outside loop four times with his newly built 0-4-0T he named Harley. He would like to thank Roy Motz for installing the bell on the locomotive, which Bruce refers to as his “ding-a-ling”.

Michael Smith was able to take a ride on the SF Zoo steam train, that his son Christopher periodically now operates.

Officer’s Report:
President Mark Johnson: “I would like to welcome everyone to the June meeting and thank you for attending.
I would like to thank all who attended the Swap Meet and Pot Luck last Sunday. There was a great turn out of people, plenty of good food, and engines running. Everyone that I spoke with indicated they had a great time.
We are getting close to the next Meet and Open House. Please see Rick Reaves if you can help out.

I recently received an email from Sergio Huerta, East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD). The District is going to install a license plate reading camera on the hill behind the Shattock Barn. This is being done because park district employees’ cars are being broken into.
I was informed on Friday 6/9/16, that the club's fire insurance will not be renewed as the club facility is located in a high brush area. This, despite the fact that we are located so close to the EBRPD Fire Station. I have spoken to our insurance, Vivian Sundin, and she is actively looking for another underwriter. The current underwriter will continue to bill us on a month-to-month basis for coverage during the seventy-five day period allotted to find a new underwriter. Remember to see Sandy Morris about helping out with the 80th Anniversary Celebration.

The GGLS Board has accepted a donation of a full size locomotive bell from Mike Rehmus of the Bay Area Engine Modelers -- Thanks Mike. John Lytle has agreed to head up the crew that will be picking up the bell from its Vallejo location and haul it back to the club.”

Vice President: Nothing to report.

Treasurer: For detailed information regarding the Club’s accounts see John Lisherness.

Secretary: Christopher Smith, absent due to prior agreement with the SF Zoo Train, had his responsibilities taken over today by Michael Smith.

Ombudsmen: Bob Cohen is currently reviewing the bylaws.

Committee Reports:
Buildings: Roundhouse

Note to round house stall holders: access to the inside is no longer required but roof work will drop sawdust onto the rolling stock below. Hopefully this will not be a problem.

For the second time the door closer was torn from the door frame. When setting the door to "hold open" push it open until it stops and then STOP! Do not try to force it all the way against the wall.

The pot belly stove's damper in the club house is under repair (replacement?) due to excessive heat. When operating the the stove, keep in mind the following: 1) keep the fire to a reasonable size, 2) limit the air coming in with the vents on the stove. The goal is to have a moderate bed of burning embers, not a roaring fire that sends flames up the flue.

With regards to fire wood donations, we welcome them. But it should be untreated lumber or logs - no plywood, pressure treated wood or painted wood please. (ED. There are ample wood supplies at this time so please save your donations for a future date).

Wall panels are all installed, the metal plates are mostly in place and work on the roof has started. Five sections have new plywood at the edge.
The tool shed needs painting and Rich Lundberg is looking for volunteer(s) to take this on this task. The work can be done at the volunteer's convenience. Once we have the volunteers, the Thursday crew will clear away the stuff around the shed and pressure wash the building.

**Grounds:** New steps have been installed near the picnic area. They lead up the hill by the clubhouse. Thanks to Jerry Kimberlin and Bill Smith for their efforts on this! Andy Weber & John Maryott have been actively spraying the club grounds for any poison oak.

**Safety Committee:** Nothing to report.

**Signals:** Broken track bonding jumpers are causing problems for the signal system. If anyone has an alternative solution, please let Rick Reaves know. The T30 switch machine should be installed soon and the Black Diamond mine siding will be fully operational in the coming weeks.

**Ground Track:** Thanks to John Lytle who has been actively repairing track around the club due to the track shifting, the ground drying out, and the temperature climbing.

**High Track:** Nothing to report.

**Public Train:** Richard Croll stated that the Public Train is pulling an average of 500 riders every Sunday and is providing a similar amount in donations to the club. Great Job once again, Public Train crew! Richard also mentioned that Christopher Smith has offered his newly rebuilt Pacific for use hauling the second public train during the Spring Meet Open House.

Finally, it is permissible for members to run on the outside track during the hours of operation of the public train.

**Locomotives:** Mark Johnson reports:
RGS 22: Richard Croll reports that the #22 continues doing its duty every Sunday pulling the public train without problems.
Hunter Atlantic: The Hunter Atlantic's injector has been inspected by Rick Reaves and no problems were found. The safeties worked, but need to be adjusted to the correct pressure. Along with Jerry Kimberlin, Rick also inspected the boiler and found no apparent boiler leaks. Rick ran the Hunter Atlantic around the track a few times and it worked well at 80 lbs., while using the axle pump.
Heinz Atlantic: Work is currently on hold.
Johnson Pacific: Rick Reaves modified the engine so the new propane burner could be installed. John Maryott made all the parts needed for the new propane burner. John Lisherness welded these various new parts together.
Diesels: Both engine are gassed up and ready to go and a new fuel pump was installed on Baldwin.

**Rolling Stock:** All new cars are currently in operation but one car currently is having a new bench being built. It should be operational for the upcoming Open House.

**Librarian:** Pat Young wanted to thank Ken Blonski and the estate of Jim Dameron for their donation of Live Steam magazines to the club library. Currently, the club collection stops at 2007 but the donation should bring the collection close to being up-to-date. He also thanked Roy Motz for his donation of Modeltec magazines also to the club library. As soon as some of the later issues of Modeltec can be acquired, the collection will be made available for club members to check out.

**Callboy and Web Page:** An issue has been detected with our club web site and is being addressed. Web person Pat Young will email members if the website needs to be taken down for maintenance or testing.

**Membership:** Nothing to report.
Roundhouse: Nothing to report.

80th Anniversary Celebration: Chairperson Sandy Morris has asked everyone who is planning on attending to send in their meet registration form as soon as possible to aid in forecasting attendance. This form will be sent out by Secretary Christopher Smith and is available for downloading from the club website. Volunteers are still needed during the days of the celebration, so please see Sandy Morris if you are able to help.

Old Business:
None.

New Business:
The Portola Valley and Alpine Railroad is hosting our club and the Sacramento Live Steamers on July 22nd through the 24th (more details are posted on our website). Members are encouraged to attend and bring their equipment, but your name must be submitted to Christopher Smith by June 26th to be eligible for entrance at their facility. You can call him at (650) 676-0118 or email him. (Security will be posted at the gate and if your name is not listed you will be denied entry.)

General Meeting Adjourned at 11:35 am.

Board Meeting Minutes
The Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by President Mark Johnson at 12:15 pm.

Old Business:
Electronic Defibrillator: Update from Rick Reaves. Issue Dead. Matter to be voted on at the next General Meeting.
GGLS Board ID Information sent to John Lisherness for bank account management. Update from John Lisherness. Mark Johnson to prepare Board resolution for Wells Fargo Bank.

Ombudsman Bob Cohen will explore the requirements of revising the GGLS By-Laws and spoke on how he will perform this task.

Discussion on the status of the proposed Tilden Station sound system donation and the electrical necessary electrical requirements. Matter tabled to next meeting for further research and report. John Lisherness to follow up on donation; Bob Cohen to review the electrical requirements. Matter is continued from previous meeting with updates on electrical and donation acceptance. Matter re: sound system at Tilden Station, is tabled for now.

Report on the status of the club security system by System Administrator Bob Cohen. Bob Cohen reports that the security system has been repaired and restored. Bob will contact the security provider about our warranty & where it stands. Payment to the security provider is pending on Bob’s contact & report.

Goal on increasing club member participation - Ongoing discussion item.

Swap Meet and Pot Luck Lunch was well received and another one will be schedule later in the year.

Revision of the GGLS Safety Rules, and update report from Jerry Kimberlin. Ongoing item and Jerry reports that work continues.

Round House Report; Chairman Michael Smith will contact Dale Larson to check the status of our lock order.

New Business:
Proposed Exhibit format:
- The name of item being exhibited.
- The name of the model builder.
- What scale.
- The name of the original builder.
- How & where the original was used.
John Lisherness to work up format to be used by Exhibitors who may not already have the information presented. GGLS will provide copies for exhibitors to fill out.

Member Sandy Morris presented to the Board a request for the names of the EBRPD officials to be invited to the 80th Celebration. Mark Johnson is to provide list.
Sandy Morris requested funds to purchase GGLS Tee Shirts. This matter died for lack of a motion with a Seconded.

Sandy Morris requested permission to use the GGLS Logo for possible Tee shirts to be sold to members at individual’s members request. Motion was Seconded and Passed.

Club member Michael Smith introduced a topic concerning the resurfacing and striping of the GGLS club parking lot which is about 11,000 sq ft. Michael is to contact Sergio Huerta for information how we need to proceed.

Members are not seeing announcements of GGLS Meets & activities in the “Discover Live Steam” listings. Secretary Christopher Smith is to follow up on this and report back to the Board.

Bob Cohen introduced for discussion, the topic that the Women’s Restroom should be converted into a “Unisex” Restroom. After a great deal of spirited debate & discussion a Motion was made, with a Second & Passed, to declare all Restrooms in the GGLS Clubhouse to be “Unisex”. Bob Cohen is to secure and install the proper “Unisex” signage.

The meeting was adjourned 1:32 pm.

**Bits and Pieces**

by Sheldon Yee

Anthony Rhodes – Tool Holder with Swing-Arm Bit holder.

Michael Smith – Railroad Supply Co. deluxe Arch-Bar Truck for Old-Time style Flat Car.

John Lisherness – Mixer Cap for Propane Burner for club Pacific.

Brian Parry – Southern Pacific Gyrolite and Emergency Stop Lights for an SP GP9 w/Dynamic Brakes and Black Widow paint.
Late Breaking photo from the Spring Meet

Steve Vitkovits and son Ray made a special effort to organize a display of stationary equipment for the Spring Meet. More photos next month!
All Aboard...

to celebrate 80 Years of Golden Gate Live Steaming!
August 5, 6 & 7 @ Tilden Park

3 Days of Fun Packed Activities

NEW! Prizes for the Best Decorated Engine/Train!

Ride the Rails, Contests, Catered BBQ Anniversary Dinner & Raffle on Saturday Night at 6 P.M. (Get your tickets!),

PLUS:
Pancake Breakfast, BBQ Lunch, Snacks & Ice Cold Drinks will be available at our Clubhouse Cafe

Golden Gate Live Steamers
80th Anniversary

IMPORTANT NOTICES

1. Mail your Registration Forms in! Don’t forget to purchase Raffle Tickets!

2. Plan to decorate your train!

3. A friendly reminder...Dinner Reservations must be received by July 25th.

Don’t let the train leave the station without you!
Send in your Registration Form Today
Golden Gate Live Steamers
Join us as we Celebrate our 80th Anniversary
Event Registration

Name of Attendee

Names of Family Members Attending

Home Address

Phone Number ( ) ___________________________ Club Affiliation ___________________________

e-mail address ________________________________

Bringing a locomotive? (circle) Steam Diesel Electric

Note: Boiler Tests will NOT be provided during the Event. ALL Steam Engines must have a current Boiler Certificate. Boiler Certificates from other clubs are acceptable. All Steam & Diesel Engines must be equipped with working brakes and safety chains between Engine, Tender & Riding Cars. MAX ENGINE WEIGHT: 2,000 lbs.

Gauge (IBLS Standards): (circle) 2 1/2" 3 1/2" 4 3/4" 7 1/2"

Note: Due to limited track storage space, please only bring necessary cars, such as riding or fuel cars.

Because of limited parking, carpooling is encouraged. Thanks!

No over night camping.

★ Clubhouse Cafe ★

MENU

BREAKFAST 8 AM - 9:30 AM
Sat. & Sun.
Country Pancake Breakfast.......$6
with Sausage, Juice & Coffee or Hot Cocoa

LUNCH 11:30 AM - 1 PM
Fri., Sat., Sun.
BBQ Lunch.................$7
Burger, Cheeseburger or Hot Dog, Chips & Soda or Water

Commemorative items, Snacks, Soda & Water will be available for sale ALL DAY

Hours: 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. each day of the Event

★ 80th Anniversary Dinner ★

Saturday, August 6, 2016 at 5 PM
Catered BBQ, featuring a delicious feast of
Pulled Pork, Marinated Chicken,
Tri-tip, BBQ Beans, Potato Salad, Coleslaw,
Tossed Green Salad & Dinner Rolls

$25 Per Person
Reservations must be received by
Monday, July 25, 2016

Raffle Tickets: $5 each, 6/$25, 18/$50

The Raffle will have lots of Fantastic Prizes that will be listed on the website and in the Callboy

Number of Dinner Tickets: _______ X $25 = $ ______________

Raffle Tickets: $5 each, 6/$25, 15 for $50 $ ______________

Total Amount Enclosed: $ ______________

(Your Dinner & Raffle Tickets will be waiting for you at the Registration Table. Extra Raffle Tickets will be available at the event.)

Make Check payable to G.G.L.S.

Mail completed form and check to: Sandy Morris, Event Chairman, 624 Cashew Court, Brentwood, CA 94513
Got Questions? Call Sandy at 925-240-9034 or e-mail naanasan1@sbcglobal.net