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IMPORTANT DATES

February 11th:
Runday
(East Outerloop)

February 17th: Fun/Work Day

February 25th: Runday (East Fig-8) March 3rd: Annual Dinner

March 11th: Runday (West Outerloop)

March 17th: Fun/Work Day

March 25th: Runday (West Fig-8) April 8th: Runday

(East Outerloop)

April 14th: Fun/Work Day

April 20th-21st: Spring Meet

April 22nd: Runday (East Fig-8)

RUN DAY RECAP BROOK ADAMS, CRF

With temps in the low 80's and a breeze blowing on the West side of the park it was more like a spring day than nearly the middle of winter at the railroad.

Running the Hunter passenger train was Bob Roberts with Ken Mitoma as

Brakeman in the morning, Chris Nieman took a turn as Brakeman around lunch and Ken long finished the day. Matthew Ruff and Richard Ronnie assisted with public passengers

Ken Adamson was out on his engine with Tom Brody as Brakeman. Bob Chamberlain brought out his new 4-4-2 for his maiden laps around the railroad.

In the steaming bays were Bob Beard working on Ron Wilkerson's Grand Canyon.

Bill Hesse worked on his 4-6-0 and took it out with Jack Berg for a few laps.

Bill Phillips and Charlie Kennemer worked on Bills Pacific.

STORAGE REPORT

-RICH CASFORD, STORAGE MANAGER

The annual chess game of equipment moves to maximize the storage tracks at RLS has been completed for 2018. Equipment owners have been sent their bills for track rentals for the current year. The storage buildings are FULL.

If you are interested in storage equipment at RLS please let me know FIRST!

DO NOT PLACE EQUIPMENT IN BUILDINGS JUST BECAUSE YOU SEE AN OPEN TRACK. That open space belongs to another member. I maintain a waiting list by date of request for members who need storage space. The club policy is to give priority to locomotive storage over car storage. For storage requests send me an email: rich@wmp.net or call me (575) 756-4413.

ALONG THE TRACK -RICH CASFORD, ROADMASTER

With the morning Rain work day schedules on Saturday, January 20th had to changed due to wet conditions on the railroad. Work continued on the third level of Noble Quick Building. The Compound was cleaned and trash hauled to dump site.

Richard Ronne and crew continued working on brakes for

the Hunter Cars.

Doug Prescott and a survey crew conducted field work from the West Side Walk crossing on the Straightaway to Summit Siding Switch #2 in preparation of track leveling and ballast work in February.

Josh Klenske arranged for 10 yards of ½" crush ballast to be

delivered to the RLS material storage yard. Thank you, Josh!

Track inspection was performed by the Roadmaster after Board Meeting with only storm trash on the track and one small bent rail just north of Hunter Station #1 on the figure 8 track from public dragging picnic equipment over track.



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Repaired by the Roadmaster.

Park Dept. approved electrical plans for steaming area. Next step is Riverside Public Utilities approval. Councilman Mike Gardner contacted for help at RPU department. This will be a several month-long project once all approvals have been obtained.

We have a new landscape contractor for Hunter Hobby Park and Roadmaster will be setting up meeting with them to make sure we are all on the same page for maintenance and protection of the Railroad. If you see something that needs corrected in the maintenance area please let me know, rich@wmp.net or call

my cell (575) 756-4413.

Lunch provided by Cheryl Lannon at Noon and Board Meeting was held at 1:00PM

February Work Day will see track ballast work happening on the Straightaway. We will have a tractor on hand for ballast loading.

WORDS O' WISDOM -DAVE BUNTS, PRESIDENT



The RLS Annual dinner is to take place at Kountry Folks Restaurant in the City of Riverside on March 3rd. After much hand wringing, suggestions from the Marriott Hotel in Downtown to Tommy's Hotdogs, we were running out of

time for meal that we all get to see one another dressing in something other than oil stained pants and smoke smudged faces.

While the setting is not ideal for our gathering, the food was good, the price was what

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you chose to spend, and we still managed (in typical RLS fashion) to carry it off. I hope to see you all there.

On a more work related note, progress, slow but steady progress is taking place on multiple fronts - the third level storage is coming together, small pieces of steel are becoming larger, soon to be added to even more chunks of steel, and soon

enough the inside portion will be finished. Rome wasn't built in a day, and By Crackie neither will the third level.

Electrical plans for a new and honest 220 volt system for the compound is slowly wending it's way towards the time we can turn dirt.

The Parks Department has approved it, now on to Riverside Power, then on to the Building and safety

department to pull a permit and start stringing wire. Again, it's slow, but happening.

The last project, the re-pipe is slowly starting to come together. It's been a bit, but if the water leak by the compressor room is any indication, we should be moving on that before too long.

Stay tuned.

UPCOMING EVENTS

-BILL HESSE, VICE PRESIDENT

Annual Dinner

Open your new RLS calendar to March 2018 (You do have your official RLS calendar don't you? If not, there are still plenty available at the club house) Mark the location of the RLS Dinner on March 3rd to as **KOUNTRY FOLKS** Restaurant at 3653 La Sierra Ave, Riverside. We have the room reserved from 6PM. There is no pre-payment or reservations required. Last year there were some issues with people not being able to hear the speeches made. This year we'll have a

PA system that doubles as a Karaoke Machine so we may be entertained with Rich Casford's famous rendition of "I've been working on the Railroad". We plan to include the legendary annual raffle. John Gurwell has donated some fine prizes, but additional donations are always welcome. Winners must be present to win.

We need start planning for 2019, so if you'd like to get involved come to any board meeting.

Spring Meet

Only one page further in to the calendar, we find the RLS Spring Meet is fast approaching on April 20th thru 22nd There is limited space in the compound for trailers or RV's, so please let us know if you plan to bring a trailer and when you plan to arrive (No earlier than Thursday). Overnight quests not only have the privilege of volunteering for night security, but early risers get to make the coffee 'their way' and be the first in line for the world famous O'Guinn family

breakfast.

There will be no job sign up list for the meet. So be friendly and help when it is requested.

Sunday will be a regular run day in addition to helping get our visitors loaded up for the trip home. We'll have the usual need for Station assistants, switch tenders and flagmen. If you'd like to reserve one of these all important positions, come to a board meeting, or contact the meet superintendent, Bill Hesse.

RUN DAY RECAP: CONTINUED FROM PAGE

Richard Miller performed service work on his 0-6-0.

Station Master Glenn Maness kept the passenger trains busy. The four track crossing was covered by Marty Berg. Tending station switches was Ken Long and Chris Nieman in the morning. John Gurwell covered the re-rail cart duties and provided first time Operating Superintendent Tiffany Love some valuable On the Job Training.



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Call (951) 779-9024 during a Run Day or Work Day for more information.

Public Run Days are the 2nd and 4th Sunday of every month.

Work Days (Fun Days) are held the Saturday following the first Run Day of the month.

For Work Day and Run Day updates, Visit: www.steamonly.org

FOR SALE!!

1-1/2" Scale Nickel Plate Berkshire

This engine is owned by Gil Beaird and has been seen quite frequently at the Los Angeles, Riverside, and Sacramento clubs. It was completed in 2005.

All of the parts were provided by Jim Kreider except the tender frame which is fabricated instead of the one-piece casting. It has the Kreider conical boiler, and tender tank.

- Oil fired with Bagley burner
- Dave Moore Power
 Reverse and
 Worthington feedwater
 equipment
- SuperScale injectors and safety valves in addition to valves and fittings

It is a great runner as can be verified by the many people who have run it over the years.

The locomotive currently resides at the Riverside Live Steamers and can be fired up and ran for serious inquires.

Contact Jim Kreider @ 909-307-2311 or Gil Beaird @ 530-320-0687 for more information.



