

News of The Riverside Live Steamers



Hunter Trainee and RLS Board Member Tiffany Love brings the Hunter passenger train into the station.

"The only sure way to catch a train is to miss the one before it"

Gilbert J. Chesterson



From the Safety Supervisor -

We NEED to pay attention to everything that is going on around us while on the property. The most important thing we can do towards safety, our own physical wellbeing, the physical wellbeing of others, and the preservation of equipment all comes down to thinking on the part of the operator.

We have tried to provide enough safety stuff - rule books, chocks on the steaming bays, white wooden blocks on the hoist, look around they are all there. The most important thing about safety is the individual person doing whatever it is; from running on the railroad to loading equipment on the hoist has to THINK "what can go wrong, and how do I prevent it?" all the time, not just when the Safety Weasel is in sight. Who knows, it may be your time next time for the Steam gods to toy with you but you can thwart their evil intentions by thinking SAFETY FIRST.



May 13th, Run Day-Busy at the Station



May 27th, Run Day-Pat O'Guinn works on his locomotive



May 13th, Run Day—Marty Berg flagging the crossing



May 27th, Run Day—Steve, Peggy and Mattie Borcher

NEW 2018 ROSTER BOOKS ARE IN THE MAIL!

A big RLS "Thank You!" goes to Dean Willoughby who managed the collection and layout of the new 2018 Roster Book. This is a huge job trying to get all of us to turn in the roster information sheet, then having to decipher our handwriting. Dean cross checks the information even testing the emails to make sure they do not bounce. Thank you, Dean, for all your efforts. Roster books were mailed the week of May 14, 2018.

CORRECTION NOTICE: Due to some missing information in the club files RLS member Pat O'Guinn is qualified brakeman for public passenger trains and should be added to the Brakeman list in the roster book.



Along the Track May 2018 by Rich Casford, Roadmaster

The normal overcast skies of Southern California in May greeted the RLS members as we assembled for Work Day on Saturday, May 19th. We had a smaller than normal turn out of members but those members who did arrive at the Railroad completed many tasks for the day.

Project Manager Dave Bunts had his merry band of welders dancing over the support rails in the Noble Quick building on the third level car storage tracks.







Brake Installer Richard Ronne and Crew finished two more Hunter Car brake installations and are nearing the end of this project to provide train brakes for the Hunter Train.

While the welding crew and brake team were working, the Roadmaster gathered the remaining members and went after the weeds in the compound. As the weed abatement was coming to an end the Roadmaster set up the weed car and demonstrated to the newer RLS members how we sprayed weeds along the track. The Bunts By-Pass and David's Yard trackage were sprayed for a good kill!

After weed duty the weed crew changed to the track crew and moved to the Palm Garden to remove a bad dip that was discovered during the Spring Meet. The track crew also worked on the Vandenberg extension track raising low joints.

Lunch was served by Camp Cook Cheryl Lannon at noon to the workers. President Bunts lead a spirited Board Meeting in a record time to complete the day by 1:38 PM!

Our next work day will be June 16th. Please plan on joining us to have some fun working on the Railroad. Remember it does not usually get warm until 3:00 PM in the early summer months in Riverside. We have some switch replacement work to do but we need a minimum of 8 track workers to start any track installation projects. See you on June 16th.

Riverside Live Steamers Safety Rule of the Month

Rule #221: Trains approaching any crossover shall yield to the train on the right

Annual City Lunch

We have received confirmation for the Annual City Lunch on June 12, if you'd like to come out and lend a hand with the event please contact Roadmaster Rich Casford at Rich@wmp.net and let him know.

Thanks to George Bartlow, Chris Neiman and Joan Adams for the photos in this month Chronicle. If you have photos, an article or anything else you'd like to submit to the Chron please email the Editor at: rockwreckrr@roadrunner.com

Upcoming Important Dates

June 10th: Run Day (Eastbound Outside Loop) June 24th: Run Day (Eastbound Figure 8)

June 12th: City Lunch

July 8th: Run Day (Westbound Outside Loop)

June 16th: Fun/Work Day

July 14th: Fun/Work Day

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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.

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