

# ***THE CHRONICLE***

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NEWS OF THE RIVERSIDE LIVE STEAMERS

February 2021



## **Columbia Yard Westbound to Panorama Point**

Steam locomotives, like people, do better when they stay in motion. Here we see Richard Ronne and Glenn Maness helping to keep Richard's Pacific locomotive healthy.

**STAY SAFE WEAR YOUR MASK WASH YOUR HANDS!**



## ***From The Cupola***

### **I AM A MEMBER OF THE RIVERSIDE LIVE STEAMERS**

Whether I - operate my own or the club locomotive and handle the throttle and stoke the fire -

Whether I - am the Station Master and greet the happy faces at Hunter Station -

Whether I - load passengers at Hunter station and help with flagging duties and make sure everyone rides our trains safely -

Whether I - am the operating superintendent and make sure that everything is running smoothly in the steaming bays -

Whether I - keep the weeds cut and the trash picked up -

Whether I - maintain the track and switches our trains safely run on -

Whether I - am a resident member and visit often or a non-resident member and visit occasionally -

Whether I - repair and maintain my own rolling stock or that of the clubs -

Whether I - am the Roadmaster, Superintendent of Motive Power or Car Foreman -

It makes no difference,

**I AM A MEMBER OF THE RIVERSIDE LIVE STEAMERS**

And being a member of RLS, I am an essential part of this great club of like minded people keeping memories of steam locomotion alive.

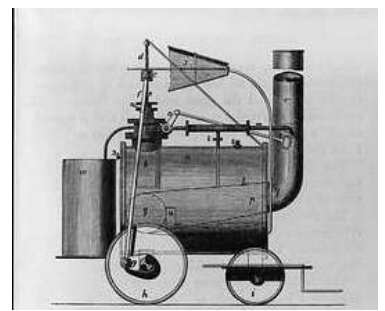
I am proud to say it again -

**I AM A MEMBER OF THE RIVERSIDE LIVE STEAMERS**

Everyone stay well  
Patrick O'Guinn  
President RLS

### **This Month in History...**

**February of 1803 Richard Trevithick  
constructed the world's first railway  
steam locomotive.**





## Along The Tracks

A day after the January 10, 2021 Run Day, RLS was notified of a positive COVID-19 test from a family member of a RLS member who attended Run Day.

Following CDC and City of Riverside guidelines and with abundance of caution the Board of Directors closed RLS for a 14-day quarantine and cleaning of the engine house. No RLS members have reported any positive tests during the closure so the Railroad was re-opened Sunday January 24<sup>th</sup> for Run Day.

With no activity on Saturday, January 16, 2021 we do not have a workday report.

**2021 Engine and Car storage assignments have been made. All buildings are full even if you see a track open it has been rented.**

If you need storage space, see Rich Casford to get on the waiting list.

### **MAJOR CHANGE FOR WORKDAYS AND BOARD MEETINGS:**

With the restrictions on social spacing, the elimination of donuts & coffee and lunch being served to the workers it has become apparent that our regular workdays will need to be adjusted during the pandemic. At the December Board Meeting, the Directors voted a temporary change our workday schedule to the following times:

**Workday 8:00 AM – 10:30 AM**  
**Board Meeting 11:00AM**

During the workday period, routine maintenance on track and club owned equipment will be handled. Due to COVID restrictions no major projects will be started at this time, just routine work to be

handled. Starting at 11:00 AM the Board of Directors meeting will be held outside in the compound (due to COVID restrictions).

Once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted we will return to our normal schedule of Workday 8AM-Noon, lunch to the workers at Noon and Board Meeting at 1:00PM that is listed in our By-Laws. This adjustment to the start times are temporary changes only due to COVID-19 restrictions.

Plan now to join us on the February 20, 2021 Workday and Board Meeting starting at 8:00 AM for the Workday and 11:00 AM for Board meeting. All RLS members are welcome at the board meeting. In the meantime, stay safe, wear your mask, wash your hands, social distance!

**- Road 2**

## **FINAL CALL FOR 2021 MEMBERSHIP DUES**

We have mailed second notices to all members who have not paid their 2021 membership dues. This is the final call before you are dropped from the membership for lack of payment.



If you received a notice in the mail please send you dues payment to the club address:

Riverside Live Steamers PO BOX 5512, Riverside, CA 92517-5512.

**- Rich Casford, Secretary**

## Run Day - January 10th

O.S. John Gurwell covered the first Run Day of January. Temperatures were checked and distances maintained. Those that came out made good use of the 70 degree winter weather.

More pictures of the Run Day can be found at our website:

<https://riversidelivesteamers.com/>



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## **For Sale: Going Fast...**



Two tank cars for *now*  
\$800.00 each



One brown caboose for \$500.00

Please email Gail Woodward:  
gail080953@yahoo.com Subject: Trains

Cash or Cashier check only please.

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## **For Sale: 40' Box Car kit**

Mountain Car Company 40 foot box car kit (now Titan Trains), trucks and couplers are not included \$800.00

Example of the kit and completed cars can be seen here: <https://titantrains.net/box-car-40-series-body-kit/>

For more information contact Scott Horgan at [skunksmcparty@gmail.com](mailto:skunksmcparty@gmail.com) or Call: (909)307-4875



## February Calendar

## “Who Is It?”



Top Left photo: Ken Long gets some throttle time on the Hunter with Scott Horgan behind him and Brakeman Bob Roberts at the end of the train

Right Top: Station Master Glenn Maness and Brakeman Ken Long on the station platform, Charlie Kennemer tends to his engine, Steve and Peggy Borchert are standing next to their train and Garibalde Figueroa readies his engine.

Left Bottom: Steve Borchert and Chris Neiman discuss the finer points of steam as Chris's son Lex looks on.

Right Bottom: Richard Miller works on his 0-6-0.

**Thanks to Rich Casford, Pat O'Guinn and Joan Adams for the photos and articles in this months Chronicle.**

If you have photos, an article or anything else you'd like to submit to the Chronicle please email the Editor at: [rockwreckrr@roadrunner.com](mailto:rockwreckrr@roadrunner.com)

## *Upcoming Important Dates*

**Feb 14<sup>th</sup> Run Day Eastbound**

**March 14<sup>th</sup> Run Day Westbound**

**Feb 20<sup>th</sup> Work Day - 8:00am to 10:30am, Board Meeting 11:00am**

**March 20<sup>th</sup> Work Day - 8:00am to 10:30am, Board Meeting 11:00am**

**Feb 28<sup>th</sup> Run Day Eastbound**

**March 28<sup>th</sup> Run Day Westbound**

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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.

### **THE RIVERSIDE LIVE STEAMERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

#### **Officers**

President: Pat O'Guinn  
Vice President: Dan Williams  
Secretary: Rich Casford  
Treasurer: Brook Adams

#### **Directors**

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Director: Chris Neiman