

The GOLDEN SPIKE

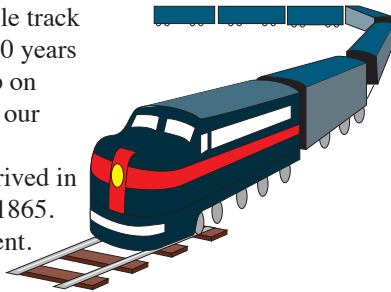


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We will be taking our portable track to Colfax's celebration of 150 years as a railroad town. We setup on September 11th and running our trains on the 12th & 13th. Central Pacific trains first arrived in the new town in September 1865. see website for details of event. <http://colfaxrailroaddays.org>



The Caboose project is on the home track now, thanks to some dedicated members and special efforts of Gordon & Barbara Moser who have spent almost every day working for the last few weeks. The above picture shows workers standing on the new sub floor they just installed in preparation of the new linoleum flooring. Prior efforts included taking out the old floor, moving equipment, cabinets, refrigerators, and the kitchen sink out to facilitate installation of the new linoleum. Special thanks to Chris Rutter (a friend of Dennis B.) who installed the linoleum.

A big thank you to the following: Sid Madden, Gordon and Barbara Moser, Kevin and Andrew Sach, Rob and Tami Sharratt, Andy and August Berchielli, Steve Perry, Alison Berry, Dennis Gramith, Dennis, Heidi, Maren and Ryan Bowie, Phil and Stephanie Huntingdale, Bill Floyd, Bill Yoder.

A  super big thanks to Rob who single handily moved the two refrigerators & stove out of the caboose while removing the caboose steel door with one hand.



Pictures at left show new floor being installed, and members of the wall painting team Stephanie, Phil and Barbara starting the primer layer to cover the aging walls. While this was being done others were painting the cabinets and shelves with a new coat of grey paint.

This project still has work to be done so no final photo was available at press time.



Caboose new floor and paint in progress.



SVLSRM Calendar

Sept. 5 Public Ride day - 11 AM - 4 PM
 Sept. 6 Public Ride day - 11 AM - 4 PM
 Sept. 8 Board Meeting at 6:30 PM Community Board Room
 Rancho Cordova City Hall. Members welcome.
 Sept. 10 SVLSRM load trains & equipment for Colfax 10 AM
 Sept. 11 Setup track and equipment at Colfax 9 AM
 Sept. 12 Run train at Colfax - RRdays 150 year event
 Sept. 13 Run train at Colfax - RRdays 150 year event
 Sept. 14 unload trains & equipment at SVLSRM
 Sept. 20 **Sunday** Member work day and run day. Pot luck
 lunch, help work in AM, run your train in afternoon.

Oct. 3 Public Ride day - 11 AM - 4 PM
 Oct. 4 Public Ride day - 11 AM - 4 PM
 Oct. 13 Board Meeting at 6:30 PM Community Board Room
 Rancho Cordova City Hall. Members welcome.
 Oct. 16 - 18 Fall meet

Dates to reserve on your calendar:
 November 14 - 15 Railfair Roseville
 Annual Christmas Dinner Dec. 19th.

Please volunteer to support the club events.
How will you support SVLSRM this month?

A **members only area** has been setup on our web server where we will keep a current version of the roster, and other useful documents for our members. To gain access, each *member (now including Associates)* must be a current paid member to register and create a user name and password.

Please use the link on the web page in the top menu section called "Members only." This is a two step process to register as the system will send an E-mail to verify that it is you. You will then use the link sent to complete the process. Please note this is to register so you can then use your user ID/password to view the protected area via the link shown on the registration page.

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The news letter deadline is 24th of each month.
Member articles wanted.

MEMBERSHIP

by Dean Sheets

SVLSRM new members and their families:

I would like to introduce Janet Lee and her son Dylan as new family members. They reside in Folsom and Janet is a Sales Rep. You can tell the family will be a great addition to our club since they also belongs to the Placerville & Sacramento Valley RR (PSVRR), CSRM and is into horses as well.

As always, if you see any members walking around looking bewildered go over and introduce yourself and offer any help you can getting them involved with our great Club.

Welcome Janet and Dylan



10/03/15 GGLS Fall Meet
 10/04/15 GGLS Fall Meet &
 Open House

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Reminder - No phone calls after 8:59 PM



Track Superintendent Report

By Dennis Bowie

Another installment of looking down the track...

For everyone that came out to our Hot August night member run and pot luck, I would like to say thank you. Our train master Keven Sach set the order of the day that we would be running in a west bound direction (in other words reversed). It definitely puts a new perceptve to the dynamics of our track.

With all the projects that we are working on at the track we are also going to add occupancy and status lights to the mainline going past Oasis station and as well as control lights when leaving Oasis station east bound. Our plan is also to automate the switches when west bound into Oasis station with occupancy lights for the two sidings in the station. For those that were running on Hot August Night you might have seen a small gray box next to the track going into the station. This was a mockup of a track indicator, showing in what position the switch was set. Many thanks to Bill Yoder for the idea. And yes it looked great at night. If we had something like this there would be no mistake in which way a switch was set.

I have not been out to the club as much as I would like. I have been having some knee pain and hard to get around. We still have two projects...Reverse-o to finish and the new sidings to start at the SP caboos. My plan is to get started making the turn outs for these sidings and getting the ground work underway. And as always there's track maintenance, so if you want to have a wonderful time at the track and need a little exercise let's get started.



Safety Rule for the month:

4.11 Backing

Any train or engine about to back up must give the correct signal. All trains or engines backing up shall run at reduced speeds. Engineer must have a clear view 50 feet behind the rear car to back up without a Conductor/Brakeman. Otherwise, a Conductor/Brakeman is required to walk 50 feet behind the rear car with a red flag. Any train of 7 or more cars is required to have a Conductor/Brakeman to walk 50 feet behind the rear car with a red flag.



5.01.02 Length of Train

Trains carrying the general public shall not exceed one hundred (100) feet in length over all, exclusive of locomotive and tender or other motive power.



The Truckee Donner Railroad Society would like to extend an invitation to our members for a Truckee railroad trestle tour. A description of the trip is on their web:

<http://www.truckeedonnerrailroadsociety.com/tour/tour.html>



Train Masters Report

By Kevin Sach

If you have been done at the club during the public run days and member run days, you might have noticed that we have been running Westbound. We have decided to change things up for the second half of the year. Although we have noticed a few challenges running this way, we are working to correct them.

Also coming up we have Colfax Railroad days September 12th & 13th all help would be appreciated. (Setup on the 11th) - call Bill 916 652-7113 and say you will help.

For those of you who would like to learn how to run the steamer but are afraid to ask. During the September 20th run day I will make the steamer available for members that want to learn how to operate it. Also I will be going over for members that want to take either a conductor and engineer test. Remember the more help we have the more fun we have. See you on the rails.



President's Report

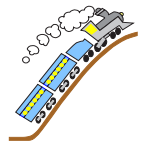
By Bill Yoder

We have a commitment to Colfax to run our train at RRdays, this is another good opportunity to show off our hobby and find interested new members. To make this work help is needed. Friday Sept. 11 people are needed to install the portable track, level it, unload trains, and get all ready for Saturday & Sunday hauling people 10AM to 4PM, so multiple train crew members are needed. Please make the time to help as your support is very much needed. - Call me (Bill - 916 652-7113) no regrets please.

I also want to add my thanks to the members who are working hard to fix the caboos so it is easier to use and giving it a new clean uncluttered look.

Fall meet is Oct. 16, 17, & 18, then have Roseville Railfair in November 13, 14, & 15 plus Christmas tree lighting in December. One more item: elections will be in 2 months with nominations in October. Want to make a real difference? Then be a voice on the board. This year 4 positions are available; President, Secretary, Train Master, & Board member at large.

Thanks for reading. *Keep it steaming!*



The club need more members to be active with our public ride days, and our special events (Parties) as we are short of people to provide this service. **These events provide our main source of income so please come out and help.**

If you need to qualify you may download the test from the club web site. Do the test at home then bring it to the track to finish your qualification.

Be a volunteer and enjoy the fun of sharing the hobby.

FOR SALE

7 1/2" gauge train hauler
2003 - 18' TPD enclosed Trailer for sale , 23' overall

5 - 18' tracks with E track for tie down.
Also the elevated racks are removable with pull pins.

5' Z Tounge Diamond covered and the front has a diamond rock protector, 2 5/16" ball, 10K# Heavy Duty jack
FRP composite Floor, sides, roof and Rear doors
9999 LBS GVW, 2 - 5200# axles with Brakes on both Side Man Door, Spare tire mount and tire inside trailer, Swing Doors on back, 12v battery and battery box, 2 - 12v lights inside
16' awning on the right side of trailer where the man door is.
Located in Fiddletown Calif 95629
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Reno Farinelli 209-245-5719

Two Steve Easlon built 3.75" scale ore cars 2.5" scale RMI 6" D&RG Griffen wheels but has no couplers. \$800.00 for the pair, will not sell separately. No shipping but will deliver to SVLS or surrounding areas. Delivery farther is available for additional fees. I have never used these, purchased a year ago (for \$1000) used in case I needed cars for the Triennial. 26" wide x 44" long, located in Brentwood. Contact marshcreekminingcompany@gmail.com



Trolley for Sale.

Price \$2000
with engine stand \$3000.

Call: Clio Geyer
(916) 645-9154



SVLSRM has a large collection of Halloween props, electronics, lights, audio equipment, timers, motion sensor, fading eyes, costumes, fog machines, fog juice, and air operated "things". The club does not want to use them anymore.

If you are interested in buying or want more info,
Please call Bill Yoder - 916 652-7113.



Check our web site FOR SALE page for additional listing with more pictures and more details.

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Fuel tank, pressurized, soldered brass construction.
9x7x4 \$20. obo - Ross Crawford (916) 718-4162