



Maricopa Live Steamers

STACK TALK

January, 2022

The official newsletter of the Adobe Mountain Railroad in Phoenix, Arizona.
Operated by the Maricopa Live Steamers Railroad Heritage Preservation Society.



President's Page



We lost two good friends recently, Jerry Oyler, from Sahuaro Central, and Bob Alkire, from MLS. Jerry Oyler passed on Nov. 20, and his memorial service is on Saturday, Jan. 8 at 11:00AM.

(please see the memorial announcement on page 2)

Since our Board meeting falls on the same day as the memorial, the Board meeting will start later at 1:30pm on Jan. 8.

Bob Alkire passed on 12/27, and I may be wrong, but since Bob was living in Missouri with his daughter, there may not be a service for him in Phoenix.

I got a call from Glendale Daycare, and they wanted a train ride on Dec. 15. The daycare was reading the story of Polar Express. I got a great response from the members who came out and helped with these 120 preschoolers and their parents, which were very well behaved. Bill Pardee, Bill Cobb, Donna Hohm, Charlotte Hughes, John Broughman as Santa Clause, Mick Janzen as Mrs Clause, Bob Rauperstrauch, Stan Ferris, Dick Wieboldt, Perry McCully, Jim Zimmerman, Larry Messing, Scotty and Myrna Brooks, Jerry and Sandra Grundy, and Joe and Trish Kalisak. If I missed your name, I apologize. Both Bills got out their steam engines.

THANK YOU all for supporting the club.

Normally we would be entertaining AZ for Kids at the end of Jan., but they have canceled because of covid.

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Sahuaro Central members have got a small group of people and money to start laying **15" gauge track**. If you are interested in getting involved, let Scotty Brooks know. MLS will support this project in small ways. It is a Sahuaro Central project.

Those of you that own containers here need to look at your fronts and do some maintenance on them. Signs are falling off, or we can't read the sign, or the roofing is coming off. The public needs to be safe near them. I know that the tin on the hotel is coming off.

The club is in need of a newer tractor. If you know of a tractor with low hours on it, please let me know. The John Deere we have is a 1975 model and in need of rebuilding or selling for a newer tractor.



Just a friendly reminder that if you buy a lot of stuff from Amazon, **Amazon Smile** will donate money to MLS, if you sign up. Amazon Smile gave us 669.95 this year, 45.00 just this month alone. Please sign up soon.

The Operational Meet will be on Jan. 12 thru Jan. 16. No meals will be provided.

The Spring Meet is March 17 thru 20. Work week is March 7 thru 16.

The Fall Meet is Oct. 27 thru 30. Work week is 17 thru 26.

Have a safe and healthy new year 2022.

Safety first. — Perry

CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE FOR JERRY OYLER

7-13-1947 — 11-20-2021

Saturday, JANUARY 8 11:00 AM

Lakeview United Methodist Church
103rd Avenue and Thunderbird Road in **Sun City**

Following the service, there will be a Fellowship with refreshments in Smoot Hall and, if you would like to share memories of Jerry, it would be appreciated.



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DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT FOR BOB ALKIRE

Sadly, Bob Alkire passed away on December 27th at age 89.
He has been living in Missouri with his daughter.

Many of us spent time with Bob at the Alkire Memorial Sawmill where he spent hours upon hours cutting and drilling wooden ties for our Track Team.
Please remember Bob in your prayers.

Memorial:

Sad news for sure. Another Titan of MLS leaves us. Bob was good people. When I wanted to ship my new Cannonball Box Cab from Oklahoma to the MLS track, he somehow got wind of that and told me to ship it to his relative's place of business in Phoenix and he would get it hauled from there to the club track. He did just that, and it was sitting ready to be uncrated when I arrived from Oklahoma to put it on the tracks. I will never forget his kindness for doing this along with other things. RIP dear friend.
Tom Harrington

Memorial:

He was one of the hardest workers we have had in a long time. He would go out and pick up wood from truss manufactures, bring the wood to the park, cut it into ties, stack it on pallets, tie it down and put it on a trailer, and take it to Eloy to be treated against termites. Then back down to Eloy get it and make track panels and this would go on for weeks. You will be missed. I may be wrong, but since Bob was living out of state, there may not be a service for him in Phoenix
Perry McCully

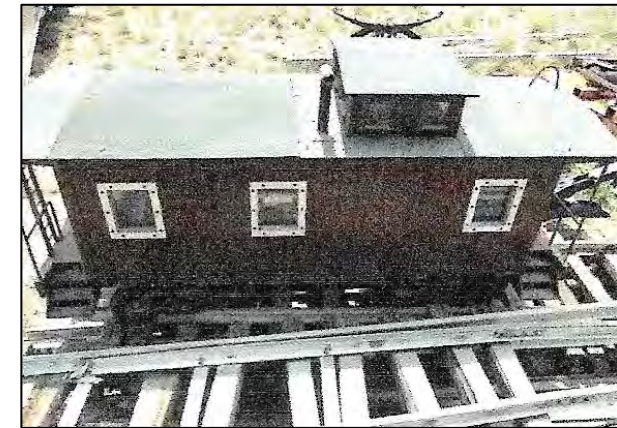


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MEMBER CONTRIBUTIONS!

FAMILY / FRIENDS RUN NIGHT

stories and photos by Hank Gallo

Several of us had so much fun for the pre-school children's event, I thought it was time we do friends night and get out and RUN trains. I think we'll all be stuffed after New Years dinner and could use some outdoor fun. It may be chilly so dress warm. I plan on lighting the Megatree with its 45 minute holiday show and some other songs that we don't normally play during the holidays.

Chatting with several members on Sunday there are already 10 or 12 folks that will attend. We should be able to set up our hot chocolate pot in the station, maybe folks would like to bring a dessert to share.

Saturday January 1, 2022 from 5:30 till 7:30pm



12/5/21: Happy to say that, with Pete, Fred and Tim's assistance, we were able to light the Megatree on the weekend of December 10 and 11, Friday and Saturday evening, from 5:30pm until 7:30pm. We had the Megatree doing its 45-minute show. We will NOT be having train rides due to a lack of volunteers, but you may see members running their own trains. Donations to support our non-profit club are always appreciated.

2:30 min. -- <https://www.facebook.com/TrainRides/videos/955853865059524/>



12/10/21: I'm still working on the Megatree, since it rained last night, I couldn't stay very late. It may not be lit tonight, but I'll keep going to get it done soon as I can.

12/11/21: A few more tweaks and we should have it on display tonight. Megatree is running! Until 7:30 tonight, and Fri/Sat next week 5:30 until 7:30pm.

12/17/21: Neighbor Charles, daughter Sydney and her son Declan (2) visited to see the Megatree and go for a train ride tonight! Not as chilly as last week!



CHRISTMAS RUN / CHRISTMAS FUN

stories and photos by Hank Gallo

12-25-21

Engineer Ethan and his dad were in town and came by the park for a visit. We went around Far Flung and stopped at the Playground and to collect dimpled snake eggs out by the driving range.

Don't forget we're open Sundays (including today) from 11am until the last train leaves the station at 3pm through April 2022.



Preschool POLAR EXPRESS Group Experience

12-15-21

story by Hank Gallo

photos by Donna Hohm and Hank Gallo



We had a large group of pre-school children visit with their families and chaperones. There were two steam and two diesel trains running to make sure everyone got a ride. Santa made his grand entrance hauled by a steam loco. At the conclusion of their ride, each child got a small gift from Santa. Judging by the smiles from our guests AND volunteers, we all had a great time. **THANK YOU** to all of our volunteers who opened the park on a chilly Wednesday morning for this fun event.

Our park is available for most functions, with a minimum of 30 days notice for events outside of our normal Sunday 11am till 3pm operating schedule.



Bill Pardee getting steamed up to give the preschoolers a train ride.

POLAR EXPRESS (cont'd)



Noco Lithium Ion Batteries and Chargers

12-23-21

story and photos by Hank Gallo

Last month Rick and his wife brought their two grandsons out for a train ride. They attended Jr Engineer School and had fun. Afterwards Rick asked if our trains used batteries. He works for Noco company, makers of some very high-tech chargers that we use on our club and personal trains, and they produce lithium ion batteries. He wondered if we would like to test one out.

This week he brought his engineering team, John (EV Charger specialist), Jim and Yamalot who are LI battery monitoring systems specialists. They connected their computers and meters to SP Loco 2575 and ran some start tests (with a charged 12-volt garden tractor battery standing at 12.7 volts) finding the initial start draws 200 amps of power tapering down to 100 amps.

Then a Noco NLP9 3AH 12-volt LI battery replaced the lead acid and tested. Starting with a charged LI battery gives us 13.7 volts and now a current draw of 250 amps initial tapering to 100 amps. Due to the lower internal resistance of the LI battery, it can flow more current. These LI batteries include a 5-year warranty but Rick finds they last 10 years or more. Without a load they will hold a charge for a year or more. They will detect a load and have an internal system to shut the battery off before it can damage the cells from low voltage. When a charger is detected, it powers on and recharges. It will also shut down if too much amperage is drawn from the battery to prevent fires. It is totally sealed.

(top) Jim, John, Rick and Yamalot running the computer. This is the old lead acid tractor battery, the LI battery is a fraction of the size but can do much more work.

(bottom) SP 2575 SW1500 loco with it's new Lithium Ion battery ready for some work.



NOCO BATTERIES (cont'd)

The team provided a Noco 5-amp automatic charger to maintain the battery and since we still have several locos equipped with the old lead acid batteries provided a couple of Noco's most popular LI jump starters. They spent a few hours at the park listening to how we use the trains as Noco is looking to provide batteries and chargers to a larger segment of battery equipped vehicles. We replace the lead acid batteries about every 2 years for \$50 each so a \$100 LI Battery would be very cost effective over its 5 to 10-year life.

Thanks Rick and the Noco Team!!

(top) Testing continues with readings from the LI battery.

(bottom) Jim trimmed some packing material to ensure the new, smaller battery stays in place.



giggles by John Draftz

UNIVERSAL WRENCH

for both American and Foreign cars

THIS NEW WRENCH IS AMAZING.

One side is "Standard",



the other side is "Metric".

We truly do live in an age of technological marvels.

In celebration of the 4"-8" of SNOW
Chicago is due to get tonight Jan. 1, 2022.

This storm was in Tucson on Thursday.

[let it snow christmas jazz](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1YHe-KHccPJ_nZfbQDdOKYGU_OaE36w7Q/view?usp=sharing)

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1YHe-KHccPJ_nZfbQDdOKYGU_OaE36w7Q/view?usp=sharing

More Covid music – [I Ain't Been Nowhere Man](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ktuHh5zN9qM74HdWp4RO1nixGVHCX-3L/view?usp=sharing)

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The Christmas Train of Lights

in Paignton is something else. How cool is this!?

(Video: Scott Williams Photography)

<https://www.facebook.com/radioexe/videos/288890843003051/>

New Years Fireworks over the Eiffel Tower

Although this is CGI (computer generated, i.e. fake), it is very pretty. Someone spent a lot of time and imagination programming this.

If only our Megatree could do this – well, maybe the next version Megatree 2.0 will have this feature.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wOtqAtiBZXE>



*from the Management and Maintenance Teams of the
Adobe Western Railroad*

Sunday Public Rides

stories and photos by Hank Gallo

12-5-21

Train Rides! Beautiful day for riding the rails.
I hope our guests had as much fun as we did.



Sunday Public Rides

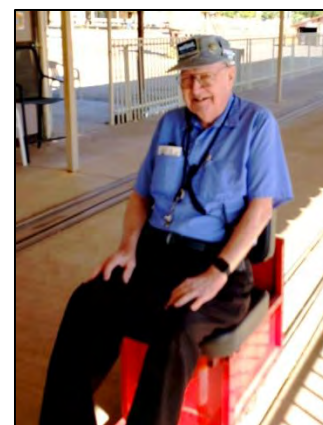
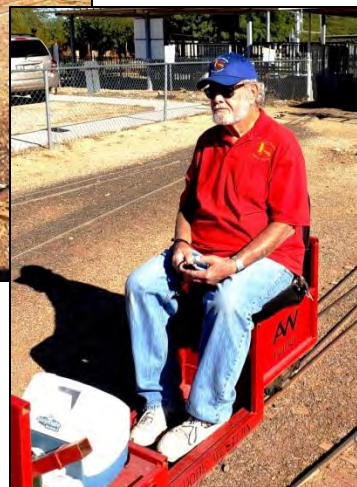
stories and photos by Hank Gallo

12-12-21

Another beautiful day to be riding the rails!

Special Jr Engineers Early shift: Gunner and Brayden were just getting to the park for their first train ride, when I needed a Jr Engineer to bring "Chessie" out to the station to start school. Brayden (8) wasn't so sure about operating a train, but 2-1/2 year old Gunner said he would do it. Once we got underway. Brayden was all set to help out. Just as we handed control over from Gunner, we got a call to assist a train that was low on battery power. Great first time experience of hauling another train back to the yard.

Great job Jr Engineers!



Sunday Public Rides

stories and photos by Hank Gallo

12-19-21

Some live steam was out running the rails. A welcome sight since owning and operating a steam loco is expensive and time consuming. Lots of smiles from our crews and guests alike.

Many first time Jr Engineer students had a great time. Our first group was a young Jr Engineer and his big sister. Since we were waiting for a train to return to the station I asked if they could help me. I didn't get their names but once we got rolling that young engineer had the biggest smile! Just makes our day when we can bring joy to our guests.

THANK YOU to all of our guests and volunteers.



Engineer Brian Held. No smoke?
I hope this thing isn't nuclear.



Gatekeeper and gift shop helper
Myrna Brooks



Stationmaster Jerry Grundy and
Gift Shopkeeper Sandy Grundy



Engineer Jim Theobald and
Conductor Chuck Lorum



Stationmaster Trainee
Scotty Brooks

Sunday Public Rides

stories and photos by Hank Gallo

12-26-21

Chilly but nice weather gave us a nice crowd and lots of Jr Engineers. I had helpers to bring Chessie out to the station and helpers putting away the Chessie school train. Even had helpers to put away the riding cars. (see next page)

As always, **THANK YOU** to our guests and volunteers.

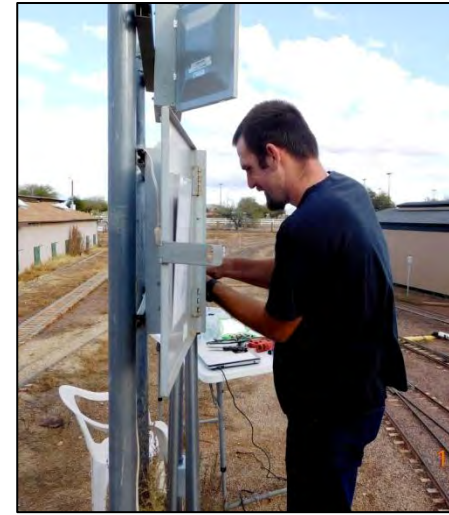


SUNDAY 12-26-21 (cont'd)



Oh, yes. Students of all ages are welcome to drive "Chessie" train. This Jr Engineer is in the Senior Division. Some Dads just have to show off, while the kids quietly wait for their turn.

Signal Superintendent Dakota Clemens is on site today working on the computer / signal interface. The tower's CTC system keeps the inbound and outbound traffic flowing through the station without mishap.



Today we saw some live steam on the railroad, which is very infrequent with the summertime desert fire ban in place for most of the year.



photo far left: Collin (*blue*) and his friend Boss (*engineer*) on their way to collect a cut of riding cars to put away in the car barn.

SOMEONE YOU SHOULD KNOW!

Photo by Donna Hohm

This month's toastmasters:
Joe Schnyder and Bill Myers

Bob Alkire

"The day I met Bob Alkire was the beginning of my love for our club. I would like to say that Jeff Hickman was also very instrumental in both Joe and I becoming involved with MLS. It was back in November of 2005. On that fateful day, I was driving down 43rd Avenue, trying to find one of my trucking customers, but I was on the wrong side of the freeway. Suddenly, to my surprise, I caught a glimpse of train tracks in the field. I turned my truck around and entered the park. There I came upon a large gentleman just putting his locomotive away for the night. I was overwhelmed by the size of the equipment, and how this person was running it on 'those rails' that I had seen while driving by. I asked the gentleman many questions about 'this' and 'that,' as I was now awestruck. My one all-important question to him, as Joe has heard me tell over and over again, was as follows. I asked Jeff, 'Sir, how much do these engines cost?' Then, without any emotion, he responded with . . . ready for this? . . . 'a lot.'



"The next day was a Friday, and I was up early, unable to sleep that night, thinking about how I was going to go back and take another look at those marvelous trains. Bob Alkire greeted me almost as soon as I got out of my truck. He took his time talking to me, and answered every one of my questions. Then Bob said, "Well, Mr. Myers. Why not go for a ride?" Bob let me operate his train right off the bat. He did not even flinch when offering up his pride and joy to a total stranger to share in the fun. I engineered that train all around the park. I was in heaven, blowing the horn, feeling the power of his engine and hearing the song of the steel rails as it lulled me deeper and deeper into the experience. Like a fish in a mighty river that just got hooked, I was destined to become a member. Yes, Bob Alkire hooked me good. I now have the 'TANKS A LOT' container yard out past west Werner, and 2 trains of my own." — Bill Myers

"Bill Myers called me on a Friday afternoon and said, 'Guess what I am doing.' Well, Bill had run into Bob Alkire at the patio, and Bob put Bill on his train and said to 'take it for a ride.' After that afternoon, Bill, being a train nut to begin with, was hooked, and kept calling me to come out and see this place and meet this guy, Bob Alkire. So a couple of weeks later, Bill and I met and went to the club to meet Bob. There, we spent the day cutting ties for the Pottsville branch, which was being redone from the original time it was put down in 1998. I got to spend time with Bob and Bill, and spent the afternoon stacking ties on a pallet that Bob was going to take for tie treatment in Eloy. This was one of the many trips Bob would make in his green Chevy truck, hauling Cliff Fought's trailer to the treatment plant in Eloy. Bob still cannot tell me how many roundtrips he has actually made to Eloy hauling ties for the club. But I do know that he wore out that truck hauling that trailer to Eloy, with sometimes two pallets of ties of about 1750 ties per pallet, unless they were switch ties, in which case there were a few less."

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Bob Alkire

"For the past twenty years . . . Bob has been at the saw mill cutting ties and stacking, banding and loading ties for the track crew to install . . . everyday, and during the hottest part of the summer, too. Sometimes people do things unnoticed for a long time, and we just seem to take it for granted. I have gone to Bob and told him of pending work, and how many ties we would need for each project, and, poof, there they were when the panel assembly crew was ready to start their work.

"Although Bob has been handling a saw for 30 plus years, he still has all of his fingers. Now that is an accomplishment – working safely with saws for that long. Thank You, Bob, because I still do not like the sight of blood splattered everywhere. Although he still comes to the sawmill to cut switch ties, as per my request, Bob now wears another hat. He is a teacher to the members who have recently joined the workforce at the sawmill.

Now he is teaching others to safely do the same thing he has been doing for over 20 years. Now that we have some extra hands to predrill each tie, it has made installation easier, and has eliminated the problems caused because some of the wood that we have been getting is very hard. Without the predrilled holes, the screws have been snapping off before they are all the way into the tie.

"One of the other things Bob has done through the years is make things, like the water tanks that we use today. One of those that Bob made, that used to be at Perryview, reminded me of the show Petticoat Junction. Unfortunately, some trespassers to the property seemed to think it was something to destroy, and they did. I really miss that water tank, as it was a work of art, made by Bob Alkire. Fortunately, the others are still standing to enjoy and give a thirsty steam engine a couple of gallons of water. Speaking of water, Bob has installed a large amount of the water lines used to water trees, water the steam engines and water everything in the park. He has also been here to fix these water lines when certain persons were digging where they should not have been digging.

"Another thing Bob has done for the club was to negotiate with lumber companies, like Shuck truss company and Alliance lumber company, for material to use for our ties. Over the years, a lot of the material was given to the club free of charge, and we thank Bob for meeting with these people and telling them who we are and what we are doing. Now we are at the mercy of the people who go out to building sites and talk to the foremen about raiding their dumpsters for anything over 14 inches that we can use for ties.

"I guess what I am trying to get to is, **Thanks, Bob**, for doing the thankless job that is keeping track under everyone's train. This is just a good example of a person in the background, doing whatever he is able to do in the club's best interest and for the benefit of all. When you see Mr. Alkire, please give him a big thank you for all the years he has been working safely, and for all of his cheerful service to the club.

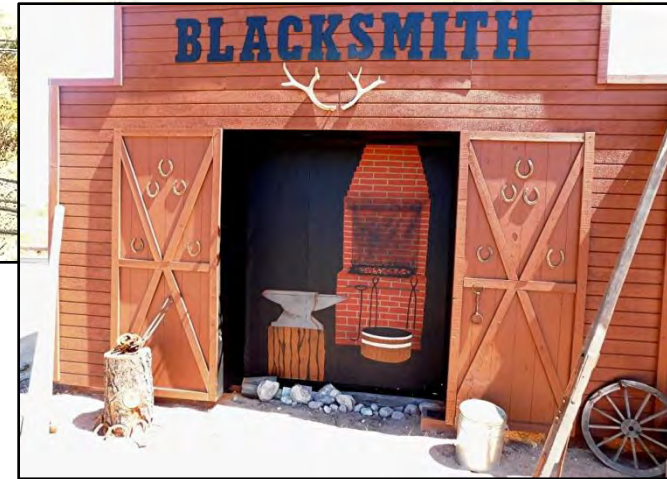
Thank You, Mr. Alkire." — Joe Schnyder



TRACKING TRACKSIDE PROGRESS

April 13 - 14, 2019

2019



Story and photos
by Perry McCully
(*Facility Administrator*)



This is Boy Scout Troop 526 (sponsored by the MLS) working under the direction of Ethan Sterne on his Eagle Scout project. Ethan has been designing this project for 6 months. It is meant to provide camouflage for the container in our sawmill complex. It took the Scouts only two days to complete the installation. **THANK YOU** for a **JOB WELL DONE** to Ethan and the entire Troop. Ethan exhibited EXCELLENT planning and leadership skills. Just look at the 3-dimensional details he included in his design, especially the multitude of saws hanging on the wall of the sawmill, a dozen horseshoes hanging on the blacksmith's doors and an artistically painted forge and anvil.

TRACKING TRACKSIDE PROGRESS 2019



Story and Photos by Joe Schnyder

After the last 60 feet of Werner concrete ties are ballasted, tamped and watered, East Werner will be ready for trains again. Many **THANK YOUs** to the Macks – Scott, Daniel and Hanna for their help, and **THANK YOU** to Terry Liesegang for putting in 1000 ties while I was gone, so that when I got back, I could get started leveling and tamping. This should be done by the time the Membership meeting is held in August.

Story and Photo by Perry McCully

The Boy Scouts gave us permission to hang this sign on the saw mill in honor of Bob Alkire. Bob is doing well in Missouri, where he is living with his daughter.



HAPPENING NOW!

Maricopa Live Steamers Winterfest 2022, 15th Annual Operations Meet

You are invited to participate in the 15th Annual Operations Meet to be held January 12th – 15th, 2022 at Maricopa Live Steamers in Phoenix, AZ. This is an open invitation meet but all attending people must pre-register regardless of their participation. (If you are bringing your wife, girlfriend, children, etc, they must also be pre-registered even if they do NOT plan on participating in the operation sessions. Everyone must be pre-registered by January 1st, 2020, and complete an Adobe Mtn. General Release form.

We regret to say that we will not be able to offer catered meals at this operation meet.

We look forward to seeing you in January. Please RSVP as soon as possible with a check or money order. We can only guarantee 90 operating positions. If we receive more than 90 participating registrants, we will rotate the additional participants in to the operation sessions.

We use FRS radios with assigned channels from 3-10 with privacy code 10. Exact channel assignments will be listed in the operation time table. You will also want to bring a flashlight, warm clothing, rain gear, (it does rain in Phoenix *occasionally*) to have fun in our cooler winter temperatures.

Please review our operating and safety rules on our website.

www.maricopalivesteamers.com

Track plan information can be found on the MLS website as well as a map to MLS. RV parking and camping is available but there are no RV hookup facilities. Upon arrival to MLS, please check in at Ford Station to pick up your information packet. You must be unloaded on the 12th, and ready to run card order on the 13th. Pre-registered but late arrivals will be accommodated as much as possible.

NOTE: BRIEFING MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 12TH 6:30PM

Maricopa Live Steamers is on one of Phoenix's natural parks. There are coyotes and other critters living here. We ask that you not bring pets for pets safety's sake.

Wednesday, January 12	All Day - Check In (Open Running) BREIFING MEETING 6:30PM
Thursday, January 13	8:30am - 12:00pm Card Order Running 1:00pm - 4:30pm Card Order Running 6:30pm - 9:00pm Card Order Running
Friday, January 14	8:30am - 12:00pm Card Order Running 1:00pm - 4:30pm Card Order Running 6:30pm - 9:00pm Card Order Running
Saturday, January 15	8:30am - 12:00pm Card Order Running 1:00pm - 3:00pm Card Order Running 3:00pm - 5:00pm Pick Up Cars
Sunday, January 16	All Day - Open Running (Note: Public will be present for our public run day)

Maricopa Live Steamers Winterfest 2022, 15th Annual Operations Meet Registration Form

Name:

(As you want it to appear on name tag)

Additional family members:

Will They be participating? Yes _____ No _____

Additional family members:

Will They be participating? Yes _____ No _____

Address:

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email Address

(This will only be used to send you a confirmation.)

Will you be bringing any equipment? Yes _____ No _____

If yes Please list the type and car number (if applicable).

Motive Power

(Note: Due to dry conditions, solid fuel steam engines require spark arrestors.)

Rolling Stock (to be switched) _____

Item	# of people		Price		Total
Registration Administrative Fee (Non Refundable)		X	\$5.00	=	
Additional Family Member's Administrative Fee (Non Refundable)		X	\$ 2.00	=	
Total Enclosed with RSVP					

Please make a copy of this form for your records.

Please make check payable to Maricopa Live Steamers and send to,

Jim Zimmerman, 7301 E Garfield St, Scottsdale, AZ 85257



2022 MLS Annual Membership Form



Please complete this application and mail it to:

Maricopa Live Steamers
Attn: Membership Committee
22822 N. 43rd Ave
Glendale, AZ 85310
donnahohm@yahoo.com

2022 dues can be paid between October 1st 2021 and December 31st 2021.
They must be paid by December 31st 2021 to be included in the 2022 Roster

Anyone with **personal equipment stored on MLS property** must pay Resident Membership dues.

We are now accepting PayPal. If using PayPal please add the \$10.00 processing fee at the bottom of this form.

New Membership: Renewal: Has your information changed from last year? YES NO

Name: Primary Member: _____ \$170 _____

Address: _____ Email: _____ Cell: _____

Name: Spouse _____ \$35 _____

Name: Junior Member (\$10 per child) _____ X \$10 _____

Non-Resident Membership (more than 75 miles from Phoenix)

Name: Primary Member _____ \$40 _____

Name: Spouse _____ \$10 _____

Stand-alone Junior Membership must have a sponsor that is a Resident Member.

Name of Junior Member: _____ \$10 _____

Name of Sponsor _____

Container Rental Fee: _____ \$ _____

Optional Fees:

Club Locomotive Use Fee (First Year Only) _____ \$150 _____

Annual Locomotive or Rolling Stock Use Fee _____ \$50 _____

Name Badges can be purchased for \$10.00 each _____ @ \$10 _____

MLS is in the process of upgrading the track and switches to steel rail and plastic ties. **Please consider** a tax deductible

Donation to the Track Maintenance Fund _____ \$ _____

Donation to the General Fund _____ \$ _____

*PayPal fee if applicable MLSdonations@yahoo.com \$10.00 \$ _____

TOTAL PAYMENT \$ _____

****** See Page 2 for the Liability Release Form******

Adobe Mountain Railroad / Maricopa Live Steamers

General Release

By signing this release, I acknowledge that railroading in general and riding on a scale riding car, or other Railroad track Equipment in particular, can be dangerous, and I agree to accept all risks associated with my voluntary participation, and release Maricopa Live Steamers (MLS), Sahuaro Central, Az. Model Railroad Society (AMRS), Maricopa County and Flood control from all liability for my property damage and /or personal injury.

In consideration of Maricopa Live Steamers their respective officers, agents, servants, volunteer's and lessors granting the undersigned permission to ride and agree that:

1. **Assumption of Risk:** I know and understand the scope, nature and extent of the risks associated with riding on an open air riding-car and I willingly and knowingly accept the risk.
2. **Rules Compliance:** As a passenger I have viewed the video on safety specifically on seating and my footing during the ride. As a passenger, I confirm that the rules applicable to my conduct have been explained to me, I understand them, and I agree to abide by them.
3. **Train rides are free:** Park visitors are not charged for riding the train. Donations are accepted.
4. **Release from Liability:** I release Sahuaro Central, MLS, AMRS, Maricopa County and Flood control from any liability for any claim, loss, damage, injury, or death, regardless of the cause, while participating as a passenger on this train ride. I understand that I am surrendering legal rights which I may otherwise have, and will be precluded from pursuing a claim or lawsuit against Sahuaro Central, MLS, AMRS, Maricopa County and Flood control in the event of destruction of my property, my injury or death. In that regard I covenant to indemnify, defend and hold harmless to the fullest extent permitted by law the foregoing persons and entities from any loss or damages, including reasonable attorney fees and litigation expenses, which may be incurred by them in the event any such claims are asserted against them or any of them.

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING, You will be bound by the terms of this release if you sign without reading.

Date _____ Signature: _____ Name (Printed): _____

Date _____ Signature: _____ Name (Printed): _____

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Date _____ Signature: _____ Name (Printed): _____

For Minor Child(ren) under 18 years of age, Adult assuming responsibility for Minor(s). must also personally sign.

Date _____ Signature: _____ Name (Printed): _____

Minor Name(s) Printed.

_____ Age _____

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