

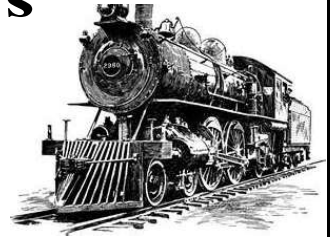


Maricopa Live Steamers

STACK TALK

October 2022

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



Message from the President.

Run season is here. How did this happen?? O well, not too many people have signed up to give rides. I hope you have passed your engineer test. Only one week left to pass the test.

Time to elect the board and three at large board members. You need to send Donna Hohm, email: donnahohm@yahoo.com or Janet Fego, email: setfreejanet@cox.net to nominate someone or yourself. Election is Nov 12, meeting day.

Joe Schnyder has bad knees, and both need repair.

It is very important to run the railroad before you start giving rides. You should check the white board at the club house and the board as you leave the station for what is open and not open.

We have seen a lot of rain at the park and sure could use some help cutting weeds. I had the boy scouts come out and help clean up Adobe yard and Friendship Park. They worked very hard and got the place looking very nice. Had a few members show up also and did a great job cleaning up weeds. Thank you for all your efforts. Speaking of weeds, if you have a container here you need to cut the weeds between the containers. Some seem to think if you won't or can't keep the space cleaned up the club should charge you to cleanup your space. Right now, there are 4 or 5 spaces that need to be cleaned up. You should check your container for needed repairs, like roofs and boards that come off. We've had a lot of wind due to all the storms that have blown through.

The county came in and did their annual inspection of the club. We passed with flying colors. This is a good place to remind everyone that NO one contacts the county administrator without coming to me first. Then I go to a person that is authorized to talk to the administrator. It's called chain of command.

I'm having lots of problems with the east transfer table. So far it is still down. If you need the transfer table, you need to use the west table. Sorry it's taking so long to repair it.

In the past three or four months we're sorry to say that three members have passed away. Chuck Laram, Peggy Bain and Sondra Bronsard Broughman.

The air conditioner was going bad. It was time to change the unit. 4800.00 later we have a new unit. Anyone want to help with putting the money back in the emergency fund? That would be great.

Fall is here but it's still hot until the end of Oct. Keep water with you, stop frequently, get in the club house and cool off. The new air-conditioner is working great.

Safety First
Perry

Work week is Monday Oct.17 - Oct. 26. Meet is Oct. 27 - Oct. 30.

Let's have some fun at the fall meet.

Thank you to the Boy Scouts who helped clean up the park in anticipation of the public runs. It looks great! We also appreciate those members who came out and helped with the weeds.



Photos by Joe Kalisak



Some of our board members hard at work on a very hot Sept 24. Here's Perry, Joe, Pete, and Charlotte. Joe Schnyder was also there. Some of the others who helped with weeds were Larry, Joe F., Scott, Bob, and Sandy.



The Scouts got a ride to the dumpster and even a water break. MLS appreciates their help getting the weeds pulled out and cleaning up.

Track Update

by Joe Schnyder

Since I have been on the mend for health problems, I have not been able to spend my days working at the track and for this I am sorry to disappoint my friends. I really wish to point out a few who have been able to help get the track in usable condition since I have been unavailable.

Tommy Harrington has come out from Oklahoma and taken care of the heat kinks we had this summer. Larry Messing has done the pickup and distribution of materials that Tommy needed to get the job done, and then has come along behind him and cleaned up and disposed of all the old ties and watered the ballast after Tommy was done. This way Tommy could concentrate on getting the kinks finished with what little time he has while in Phoenix. Joe and Trish Kalisak have done some of the projects I was working on when I hurt my knee. They are trying to pick up what projects they can between all of Joe's other duties. For this I thank them for their contributions of time to the club. Perry has been working toward getting volunteers out to help with this growing weed problem and I wish to thank all the ones who came out to help clean up the yard and work along the right of way to clean up the tracks. Please remember that if you come out and work for just a couple of hours, it is that much more getting done toward the health of the club where we have to run trains. If you want to pick a spot and attack the weeds, there are tools hanging on the hooks over at the Switch Barn. Thank You for your help.

Joe

MARICOPA LIVE STEAMERS' 2023 ELECTION FOR BOARD of DIRECTORS

Nominations are being accepted for the 2023 Board of Directors. Submit your name along with the position you are seeking. You may also nominate someone and they will be contacted to assure they will accept the nomination. The duties of each office are described in the bylaws. The ending date for accepting nominations will be October 23 rd . The ballots will be available on the website and in the clubhouse on October 27 th . That is about two weeks before the election at the General Membership meeting on November 12 th . Please submit your nomination to one of the people below. Thank you for your participation.

Sincerely,
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