

Maricopa Live Steamers

STACK TALK

October 1, 2024

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



We're looking forward to seeing you at the Fall Meet!

By the time the date is here, we're also hoping it will be a little cooler.

Again, the dates are: Work Week: 10/21 - 10/27 Fall Meet: 10/28 - 11/03

Fire ban is still in place for all Maricopa county parks until Oct 31st.

Sunday runs shave been pushed out a week to Oct 13th, due to the heat.

TRACK REPAIR UPDATE from John Morino, Oct 1

September 2024:

Work done on East Werner. Replaced 1 – 20' panel at Poly's Café due to Heat Kink.

Replaced ties on Wilson Wash Bridge.

Work done on Arnchoo Subdivision. Work on inbound track at the curve west of Harnish Bridge. 3 rail joiners installed to relieve pressure due to heat.

Replaced 4 - 20' panels because of bad ties.

An estimate that 60 - 20' panels have been built since May. We have a stockpile of 10 - 20' panels. Werner will be open for the fall meet.

Thank You to the people who contributed and who worked on track this year.

Craig Danielson
Scotty Brooks
Joe Fego
Terry L.
Joe Kalisak
Bob Rauperstauch
Stan Ferris
Bill Lowe
Bill Cobb
Donna Hohm

More about track work.

On Sept 7th, Jackson Unger and the scout troop showed up with about 25 scouts and adults and about half that on Sunday the 8th to work on Arntchoo/ Werner interchanged. The project was to replace 440 feet of track by preparing the roadbed, laying, leveling, ballasting, and watering the track. They successfully completed the project in 2 1/2 days with Jackson officially earning his eagle badge on september 21st. They did an outstanding job!!!

A big thanks goes out to Craig Danielson and Larry Messing for their help with guiding Jackson throughout the process.

Larry posted some great pictures of the event on MLS facebook website. Make sure to check them out.

We have 2 more scouts from that troop who are interested in doing track projects.

I'm also reaching out to the local scout council to educate them on our RR projects and get their support by getting the word out to other scout troops in the area looking for projects.

A big thanks to Pete for helping with getting equipment for MOW and also taking charge of welding the regauged casting pans for our concrete ties.

John A. Marino D.C.

How do you like these ore cars?

Every day in the summer heat, Rauperstrauch Engineering, once again, had a project building these 2 ore cars.

Bob R, with the help of Stan Ferris, Tim Eull, and Gary Gorman, built these from scratch. . Gary traded these cars with a vineyard owner north of Showlow for two sets of trucks, which happened to come with two riding cars. That was a bonus!

The trucks on these ore cars were too large and not usable on SCRR.

The 15" Sahuaro Central Railroad will pull the public simultaneously when MLS is operating.



Apologizes for not getting the newsletter out on time. We're getting new tile and lost track of the dates.