



Maricopa Live Steamers

STACK TALK

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



GOLF TOURNAMENT BIG SCORE FOR MLS

As many of you know, the Waste Management Open was held in Phoenix in February. As a result of this event there were large quantities of perfectly good materials that WM was going to dispose of. My good friend and MLS member Chris Cheely got us set up with the repurpose division of WM. Joe Kalisak, Mike Grant, and Perry McCully went to the WM site to inspect the materials for potential use and suitability. As a result of their visit, MLS was able to obtain a large quantity of plastic scrim and large wooden timbers. The plastic scrim will be used as underlayment for track and other areas. The large wooden timbers can be used by Sahuaro Central for their 15" as well as other MLS Projects. And all of this was NO CHARGE for materials or delivery. A personal thanks goes out to Chris Cheely, Joe Kalisak, Mike Grant and Perry McCully for making this happen.



Helping the environment
and our railroad park!

Track progress continues to move forward. Please contact John Marino if you are able to come help with the multitude of tasks that are needed to maintain and rebuild the track infrastructure.

Thank you to all who give their time and efforts to improve all aspects of MLS!

**Larry Kirchner
President, MLS**



GETTING THE DETAILS RIGHT

During the October 2024 County inspection, several areas were noted for improvement. The heavy equipment area needed drip pans for oil containment and have been ordered. Additional OSHA signage was needed and signs have been obtained and installed by Hank Gallo in the appropriate areas. Thank you, Hank, for your help.



As a reminder, per Maricopa County Parks Department, all privately owned Golf Carts on County property that are not Licensed and Insured as of April 1, 2025 must be removed. If you have documentation from MVD indicating that you are in the process during this time, please send a copy to me at vpofmls@gmail.com

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter.

**Joe Kalisak
Vice President, MLS**



MLS SPRING MEET JUST A COUPLE WEEKS AWAY

March 17 - 23

Registration for the 2025 Maricopa Live Steamers Spring Meet is open. This meet is **free** to attend.

To attend the meet, you will need to sign up at:

<https://maricopalivesteamers.com/2025-mls-spring-meet/>

If for some reason you haven't done so, sign the park waiver at <https://waiver.smartwaiver.com/w/612d87c336ebc/web/> You will need to check-in at the clubhouse, fill-out your badge, and watch the safety video before unloading trains, running trains, etc. More meet information is available here:

<https://maricopalivesteamers.com/2025-mls-spring-meet/>

As of 2025-02-27 there are 42 guests registered so a lot of MLS members need to get registered!

Dan Benton
Spring Meet Coordinator



WILL VOLUNTEERING AT MLS KEEP YOU YOUNG?

According to Dr. Faith Coleman,
it just might!



Craig Danielson Photo

[Volunteering: A Powerful Path to Slowing Biological Aging and Finding Purpose](#)



SWAP MEET

Dig through your couch for some extra cash, because the Swap Meet is happening the Saturday before the MLS Spring Meet!

[Arizona Model Railroading Society Homepage \(AMRS\)](#)

Adobe Mountain Desert Railroad Park
"Everything Railroad" Swap Meet
 Adobe Mountain Desert Railroad Park
 22822 N 43rd Avenue, Glendale

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This is an all family event, focused on the model railroad hobby. There will be train rides, hobby information, modular train layouts, door prizes, great concessions, and an "everything railroad" swap meet.

Saturday, March 15, 2025
9am-1pm

Admission donation of \$6 per person to the event.
 Children 12 & under free with paying adult.
 Free parking at the train park.
 For more information go to: azmodelrr.com

Adobe Mountain Desert Railroad Park This event is open to the public and sponsored by:
 Arizona Model Railroading Society
 Sahuaro Central Heritage Preservation Society
 Maricopa Live Steamers

AMRS & Sahuaro Central are concessionaires of Maricopa Parks & Rec.



That's all the exciting news from the Maricopa Live Steamers. If you see me out at the park with my train or a shovel, don't be shy. Let me get a picture or two and hear the fun details of your railroading journey.

SEE YOU SOON!



Thank you for all your MLS support!

Send comments and suggestions to: stanfm@aol.com

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