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Ken Olsen on his Pacific with granddaughter,
Kayleen, husband, Mike Corrigan and his five great grandchildren.
Photo taken by Virginia Hance

Next Meeting:
September 11, 2017
7PM
Poddle Dog, Fife

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Happy Birthdays to

August Birthdays –

Peter Mourer (August 5th),
Barbara Lanchester (August 6th),
Dennis Weaver (August 18th),
Shirley Wilkinson (August 21st),
Dan Simmons (August 22nd),
Marie Weaver (August 28th),
Andy Breeding (August 29th),
Tom Huffman (August 30th)

September Birthdays –

Andrew Frame (September 13th),
Ted Karanson (September 15th),
Bill Hartung (September 15th),
Brittany Bowie-Morell (September 30th)

Spelling correction:

Dave and Helen Thomson

June New Members

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President's Message

by Tom Huffman

It's been a very busy summer, lots of projects being completed and many more to do. We have extended the walk way on the trestle and laid a concrete pad to accommodate our new ADA riding car, refinished the bathroom, ground stumps, chipped slash from the root rot removal project, and rewired the flashing cross bucks for more reliable operation. The ridership is at record levels, the new riding cars are at the track and will be ready for use soon. I can't thank everyone enough for giving your limited time to K.L.S. everyone's efforts contribute to the success of K.L.S.

Grading for the track extension is starting, it sure has been a long time from conception to the start of the earth work. It should keep us busy for the next year or so. Some members have suggested a change to or addition of a new connection back to the main line on the East side

heading North (counter clock wise). That connection would increase the operating options and add a bit of spice to our routes, we can install train control signaling for the new route also. This new connection would allow for the continuous running of trains without returning to the depot. We will be asking for additional funding of this new connection at a future Board meeting.

Hopefully we will get a thumbs up from the Parks Department for a carport and replacement shelter/storage building for the tractor. These two new structures will not replace the planned building extension they will buy us some time to complete the funding source of the building extension and final builder's drawings. We desperately need a dry covered work area over some of the steaming racks. So much of our maintenance is delayed due to our spring rainy weather.

Ghost Train

By Don Rogers

Planning is underway for the 2017 "Ghost Train" run which is scheduled for 28 October 2017. There will be a mandatory all member briefing at 1600 (4pm), the run will commence at 1700 (5pm) with plans to end at 2100. This is a high profile run with lots of publicity for KLS and routinely draws an extremely big crowd of riders. In addition, it is the only night run that KLS operates. With ticket sales fixed at 1300 riders for the four hour period of the run, the pace will be intense and will require a lot of help. I would like to have key positions assigned so that we can better prepare and plan for the event.

We plan on putting 8 locomotives on the line with each pulling 2 astride cars. We will need engineers and conductors for those locomotives. If you are planning on running your personal locomotive for this event please contact me and let me know. I also need to know if you have a conductor, and if you will be

bringing your own astride cars. We will also try to have at least one locomotive in reserve and will need to crew that as well.

We will need a crew to run the Depot: I have a couple of volunteers for this area but can always use more so if you are interested please let me know as soon as possible.

We will also employ a Crash Crew of 4 people who will be in a standby status with equipment pre-staged to handle derailments, mechanical problems and other issues that may arise. Again, let me know if you are interested in being a member of this very important group.

This is a super fun event and a great opportunity for KLS to work with and have a positive impact on the public. So, please, come on out and help. Let's make the 2017 edition of the "Ghost Train" the greatest ever!

Modifications to the Bridge to Accommodate the New Handicap Accessible Car



Puyallup Great Train Show 2017

By Jeff Mills

This year's Great Train Show Puyallup 2017 is scheduled for November 11th and 12th and will be open to the public 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Set up will start on November 10th at 1:00 PM and be completed on the 12th between 7:00 am and 10:00 am

We will have an area of 800 square feet or 20'x40' and we can accommodate 10 pieces of equipment. All equipment will be required to be on stands. Please contact me at your earliest convenience so I can make sure we have enough room to display your equipment. Equipment under construction is interesting to the Public. Ken Olson has a few stands available and will make them available on a first come basis. Please coordinate with Ken on these stands.

This is a great opportunity for KLS as this event introduces potential new members and keeps our public ridership knowledgeable our run days and times. Last year we handed out many of our KLS fliers and several membership applications.

We will also need volunteers to help man our display for Saturday and Sunday. Passes are handed out at the setup day so they cannot be distributed until we are set up. If you come to the gate and show your KLS badge they will usually let you in. If they will not let you in please call me on my cell phone 253-740-6013 and I will meet you at the gate with a pass. Please feel free to contact me at jhmills51@hotmail.com

A Special Message to our Dedicated Conductors:

With our increased number of riders, it does get busy, and a little hectic at times in the station and we want to make sure that everyone is staying safe. The best way to do this is to make sure that everyone stays up to date and familiar with the current Conduct of Operations, plus it is always good to have a refresher on it!

At the Station, we have noticed an increasing number of trains that come back in to the depot, fully loaded with passengers, that continue to sit for longer than necessary before allowing the passengers to disembark. Here is the tip portion from the Conduct of Operations on Returning to the Station:

- Typically, the passengers will follow the Conductors lead on when to disembark the train. If the Conductor remains calmly seated the passengers will tend to remain in their seats. If when the whistle/horn sounds, the Conductor then rises and exits from their position, the passengers will tend to institutionally follow.

Our safety announcement that we give states that "passengers are to remain seated until the train crew lets them know it is OK and safe to disembark" so they are waiting for you to let them know when that is. With that being said also be mindful of situations where you may want to delay off loading passengers at your discretion due to a safety concern even though the Engineer has given one blast. These situations

could involve movement of trains in areas where passengers would need to pass to get to the gate, etc. In other words just use your head to keep our passengers safe and at the same time be efficient.

It may also be helpful, as the conductor, if you gesture towards the exit gate and walk with them until they have all exited. This would be especially helpful if we have a group of people standing and blocking the exit gate. On a related note, if you happen to be up at the station please try to make sure that you are not blocking either the exit or entrance gates. Once everyone is clear of the train you can then let the Engineer know they can move the train forward.

Below is the rest of the Conduct of Operations pertaining to the Station:

1.1. Station Departure

Once the passengers have received the safety briefing, the Station Master or staff will notify the Conductor. Frequently this is done by the person reading the briefing to end with a call of "ALL ABOARD". The Conductor will observe that all passengers are properly seated and the train is safely ready for departure. The Conductor will notify the Engineer either verbally or by two (2) toots of their whistle that the train is ready for departure. The Engineer must always wait for the Conductors signal prior to moving the train. The train may then depart at the Engineer's discretion.

1.2. Upon Returning to the Station

When a passenger train returns to the station, the Conductor must ensure that all passengers remain seated until the Engineer brings the train to a complete stop and sounds one short blast on the whistle/horn. The Conductor can then disembark the passengers and assist them in exiting the depot.

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1.3. Train Movement in the Station

Once the train is unloaded and the passengers have exited the station, the Conductor shall inform the Engineer when it is safe to move the train forward for reloading. Note that train movements in the station may also be directed by the Station Master, station staff, or the Superintendent. Keep in mind that station personnel also have a responsibility for safe movement of the train when in the station.

If you ever have a question don't be afraid to ask someone. And there is also Conductor and Engineer training at the Fun Run on August 19th, anyone is more than welcome to join even if you are already a Conductor or Engineer, it is a good refresher.

Ken Olsen, VP Safety and Training Chair



Greg Slobodzian operating the rented stump grinder while Tom Huffman observes. It's slow going, but we are gaining more space in our parking area.

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Rolling Stock

by Tom Caparella

We have had very good Run Days. I haven't heard of any problems with any of the straddle cars. We have just received five more new straddle cars. They will be numbered 601 to 606. As soon as we get them inspected they will be put in service. On our last run day we had two wheel chair people using our wheel chair car. It took a little while to get the first one secured to the car. The next one took a much shorter time to secure. The more we do this to faster it will take to get them secured.

Please welcome our new members –

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“On Track”

by Bill Hartung

I'm writing this report just a few days before the major dozer work starts on our new mainline extension. Our long-time gravel supplier, Ken Morrison, has a crew coming into the park on August 16th and 17th to clear away the deadfall and the remnants left behind by the loggers. Once that job is completed, we'll be doing a final tune-up on the grades and surveying the route to determine the precise radii of the curves. With that information, it will be time to get started on building all the new track panels that we will need for the new route.

In the meantime, regular maintenance of the existing track continues, and I'm eager to see our new members come out and get involved with 'working on the railroad'. Keeping the track trimmed is not really hard work, it just takes a keen eye and the ability to play in the dirt. If you are like me, you're just a big kid who loves playing with trains. See you at the park.

For Sale

7.5 inch gauge, American type 4-4-0 locomotive and tender. Coal fired but could be easily converted to oil or propane. The boiler was built by Ed Perry. The tubes are 1/2" type K copper silver soldered into the tube sheets. We did a boiler hydro in 2016 up to 180psi, the safeties are set for 120psi. The locomotive has only run once. \$10,000. Buyer pays for crating & shipping costs. Located in Blaine Washington. Contact Ryan Handel, Member of Kitsap Live Steamers at slwhistler2004@yahoo.com

Sunshine

By Carole Moss

Please encourage our members that we miss. You can send a card, email, call or drop an encouraging card. It's just nice to know someone is thinking about you! Also, please remember the caretakers, if appropriate. If you know of someone who needs encouragement, please contact Carole at withane65423@gmail.com or 253-566-3843

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Bulletin Board

Buildings and Yard Equipment

By Don Rogers

June 2017

Here's what's been happening around our neck of the track:

- Procured two help wanted signs for display at the depot to help in new member recruitment.
- Installed Epoxy floor covering and new molding in Thomson Building bathroom.
- Setup Birthday Car made up of two gondolas capable of carrying 32 chairs.
- Installed new horns on the Milwaukee SW1500 (from an "92" Cadillac)
- Fixed leaking toilet in Thomson building.
- Fixed dip in track and replaced one rail section at 1st grade crossing north of the trestle.
- Installed 90 feet of steel rail on outside curve at the crossing on the North loop.
- Fixed a kink in the rail and trimmed track near the North end rail crossing.
- Cleared and piled debris from yard parking area after logging operations. Prep for wood chipper and stump grinder.
- Installed storage shelf in Thomson building bathroom.
- Pressure washed powered lifts, transfer trolley and loading area bridge piece in preparation for painting.
- Installed new lighted crossbuck control panel and controller. (Greg Slobodzian)
- Cut and moved several large logs lying close to the mainline, west side.
- Repainted and lubed electric lift. I will correct the sticking wheel issue the 2nd week of July.
- Reinstalled whistle post and disabled parking sign which were moved during recent logging.

The tools in the Thomson building are generally available for member use but we do ask that they be returned to where you got them from.

While moving equipment or working at KLS please be safe. Do not allow yourself to get distracted, use common sense and pay attention to what you are doing! I am glad to help if needed or answer any questions. Remember also, You Break It, You Fix It!

July 2017

Here's what's been happening around our neck of the track:

- Lubed electric lift.
- Replaced V track wheels on the hydraulic lift.
- Fixed F7 seats so bolts are not protruding up into the back of the engineers legs.
- Setup Q4D motor speed controller on the F7. (Greg Slobodzian).
- Installed 6 inch steel wheels on the electric powered lift.
- Replaced broken toilet flush valve handle.
- Eradicated weeds around Thomson building.
- Spent 8 hours grinding stumps in the KLS parking area with Tom Huffman, Greg Slobodzian, Bill Hartung and John Lee (3 stumps). Very slow going.
- Chipped several large piles of slash to open up space in the parking area.
- Replaced 160 feet of worn out aluminum rail with steel rail.
- Installed West side board catwalk on the trestle.
- Replaced cracked rail joiner in the yard.
- Procured new plate type re-rail device.
- Painted new plate type re-rail device.
- Put some art work in the Thomson Bldg bathroom and set spider traps.
- Built concrete wheelchair loading pad at the depot. The intent for the future is to eventually build a concrete path to enable wheelchair access to the yard and steaming bay areas.
- Replaced 5 gallon gas can fill nozzles with new flexible hose type.
- Cleaned Thomson Building roof and gutters.
- Sealed loading area roof with Tremco Alumination 301 commercial roofing sealant.
- Staked and spaced hydraulic lift wheel bearing end plates to prevent bearings from sliding out of the bearing housing.
- Adjusted and Tested F7 dynamic brakes.
- Adjusted valves on the BNSF locomotive prime mover.

Upcoming Plans:

- Clean depot roof.
- Install a stainless backsplash above the Thomson Bldg kitchen sink.
- Continue replacing worn out rail sections with steel rail.
- Install Graphics on the loading area roof edge.
- Semi Permanent dividing wall between storage racks and general area.

Thanks to Tom Huffman, Greg Slobodzian, Dan Simmons, Sam Huey Carole Moss, Ted Karanson and others who come out and donate their time to work on the KLS Railroad. Their efforts really show and are much appreciated.

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For Sale

Complete Train - 7 ½ in gauge 2 ½ in scale electric RMI 0-6-0 switcher, flat car, gondola and work caboose. Upgraded Parvalux (EMD) 24 volt electric motors and gearbox and 4QD 300 amp controller. Battery charger, 5' and 8' maintenance stands and miscellaneous parts. Asking \$20,000.00 Contact Larry Harper at 619-507-4137 lharperinwa@gmail.com



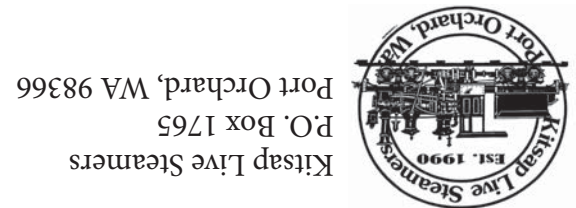
For Sale:

Miller 275 Amp AC Welder, 220 Volt AC, 30 amp cord, Includes cart. \$200 George Hoke GENGH@aol.com 425-641-5026

For Sale

Narrow gauge rail truck chassis, 54" long, with 6" RMI steel wheels. Powered by two 24 wheel chair motors. \$500 for all the parts in the photos including a 80 amp PWM controller with a reversing relay. It is located in Yakima. Kenneth Roeh, (509)248-4449, skid-roeh@msn.com.





Kitsap Live Steamers Calendar

August	19	Fun Run in the Park - KLS Board
	26	Run day in the Park AM David Hoefer PM - TBD
September	4	Labor Day Run AM/PM- TBD
	9	Run day in the Park AM/PM - TBD
	11	Board Meeting, Poodle Dog, Fife 7:00pm
	23	Run day in the Park AM/PM - TBD
October	2	Board Meeting, Poodle Dog, Fife 7:00pm
	14	Run day in the Park AM/PM - TBD
	15	Sunday Run Day in the Park AM/PM - TBD
	28	Run day in the Park AM/PM - TBD
	28	Ghost Train - Don Rogers