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Fun Day

Caden Powell

Photo taken by Alan Halfhill

Next Meeting:
July 10, 2017
7PM
Poddle Dog, Fife

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Happy Birthdays to

June Birthdays

Jackson Mourer (June 6th),
Avery Robinson (June 10th),
Grant Robinson (June 10th),
Ken Olsen (June 19th),
Jordan Johanson (June 21st),
Braeden Hughes (June 23rd),
Bev Buell (June 27th)

July Birthdays

Yvonne Harper (July 1st),
Sarah Fil (July 2nd),
Nelson Lanchester (July 2nd),
Brennyn Spencer (July 2nd),
Guyla Joanson (July 8th),
Pennie Frame (July 22nd),
Russell Ritchey (July 26th),
Carly Kaivo-Houlton (July 29th)

Printable Roster

A complete printable Membership Roster is now available. From the Home Page follow the green menu strip to Membership Directory. Two options are available; the first is a quick search providing phone number and if the member has email, a link. The second option will provide a comprehensive roster including member's mailing address, phone and email. Click on the first line, titled "KLS Membership Roster (date)," and it will automatically load. This can be printed for your future reference, however, you will need a pdf program such as Adobe.

If you would like to have a printed copy sent to you, or there is an error in a listing, please let me know, 253-566-3843 or withane65423@gmail.com.

President's Message

by Tom Huffman

We are well into our operating season and all is well. I can't thank everyone enough for their help and contribution of your valuable time to our railroad. We can actually see the light at the end of the tunnel now. We are starting on the long awaited track extension. This railroad is alive and well we had a record breaking passenger count this last Saturday. The word is getting out to the public about K.L.S. and this and the great hobby.

Tom Huffman

Tom Huffman welds the track back together as Sam Huey's hands are seen shading his eyes from the bright arc light.



Members of the Past Dave and Helen Thompson

These two were straight from the 60's flower child movement. They were both dear, loving people who loved railroading, the environment, and family. They, along with Dennis and I told everyone that KLS was for families. Dave worked for WA EPA, Helen was a retired school teacher. The building in the compound is named after them because of their very significant contribution to KLS. KLS's New York Hudson was to have been Dave's loco, but tragically he died of a brain embolism before he would even get the chaise put together. Helen was second generation railroad people; her father was a director for the Colorado Railroad Museum in Golden Colorado. They both worked hard at KLS, laying rail, cutting right-of-way, building the compound, run-

ning the promo train. When we started using Copper-phonate as a way to preserve the wooden ties, Dave told me that he was blind to this procedure because he knew it was not good for the environment of the park. They both walked and talked KLS to everyone they knew. Ted and Carol remind me of them. Dave was Dennis's best friend. Dennis does not have many but I know that he has missed Dave greatly. He died young, just in his late 50's in 1997, Helen moved to Southern California to live with her children after Dave's death, she too lost her life to the big "C" in 2010. Their legacy lives on at KLS with the building and the Hudson. It is hoped that the Hudson will be able to haul passengers this coming session.

Kitsap Live Steamers Friends and Family

**Saturday July 15th
at the Track!**



Come and spend the day riding trains

Dinner is at 2pm.

Hamburgers and Hot Dogs will be served

Potluck assignments are:

A-I Desserts

J-P Salads

P-Z Hot Dishes

AmazonSmile Site

KLS is now set up so that when you place an order with Amazon. Amazon will donate 0.5% of your Product purchase to KLS. In order to make this happen, type in this link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/91-1472937> to access the AmazonSmile site and then place your order. Note that for an item to qualify the agreement reads: "A Product" is any item sold on the AmazonSmile Site and which is marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on the relevant item detail page. Obviously if you return the item purchased, the donation will not occur as well as recurring Subscribe-and-Save purchases and subscription renewals.

For more information download and read the "AmazonSmile Participation Agreement". The link is: AmazonSmile Participation Agreement.

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Fun Day

*Photos taken
by Alan Halfhill*



Bulletin Board

“On Track”

by Bill Hartung

Here it is the first week of June, and finally the major logging work in and around our railroad has been completed. There are still some trees in our parking area that will be cut down later, but we have restored all our track and we're back in full operation. But just when it seemed that we had the worst of the logging impact behind us, we had an unusual occurrence.

On June 1st I was in the forest, looking at the future pathway of the new track, when the county's forester came to me and confessed that he had 'dented' our track with his mini-excavator. It turned out he had bent part of the steel rail in the concrete grade crossing just north of our wooden trestle. That seemed like an improbable occurrence until I learned the history of that particular grade crossing.

It seems that when the original main line was laid, more than 20 years ago, the steel track in that grade crossing was not level. Trains running through it were tilting, and something had to be done to fix that. The remedy, I learned from KLS member Courtney Jones, was to machine a ½ inch piece of bar stock the full length of the crossing and spot weld it on top of the original steel rail embedded in the concrete. Courtney told me that he helped now deceased KLS member Howard Springer weld that piece in place, which solved the un-level track problem. We've been running over that grade crossing all these years without any trouble, and I was never aware of what Howard and Courtney had done to make it work.

Courtney recommended we cut out the portion of the bar stock that was bent, straighten it, and weld it back in place. So on Sunday, June 4th, on what was to be a Sunday public run day, several of the dedicated KLS track crew gathered at the park to do the repair as Courtney suggested. It turned out very well, with the aid of

Tom Huffman's welder, Dan Simmons' generator, and support by Richard Hoffman, Sam Huey, Ken Klakowich, Caden Powell, and Don Rogers. And since we had the right equipment on site, we fixed the out-of-gauge drop-down bridge on the east side of the fixed height transfer table.

Track work now reverts to the ordinary maintenance and trimming of the track to keep it in good condition for running trains for ourselves and the public. But soon we will start on our first major track expansion in nearly 20 years, so stay tuned for future news and the call for workers to help prep the new right-of-way.

Rolling Stock

by Tom Caparella

The truck on straddle car 501A was inspected and nothing was found to be a problem. I haven't heard of any problems with any of the other straddle cars. The men coming to the track during the week are doing a lot of preventive maintenance which makes our run days a great success. Thank you so very much for all your efforts.

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

Your friends at KLS have been missing you at the track. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We hope you will soon be back! by Barb Lanchester

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Bulletin Board

Buildings and Yard Equipment

By Don Rogers

- Renovated KLS Train Rides signs with new paint, repaired legs and attached new color signs.
- Added graphics to the BNSF Dash 9 engineers car.
- Installed new rubber mat flooring in F7 and Dash 9 engineer cars.
- Performed maintenance on F7 and Dash 9 engineer car trucks.
- Procured new KLS "Train Rides" roadside signs, repainted sign boards and installed.
- Lubricated both powered lifts and the transfer table.
- Gathering material to replace the Thomson building bathroom floor.
- Pulled and replaced track panels multiple times to support tree cutting operation
- Installed 30 feet of steel rail to replace worn aluminum rail on the curves.
- Installed snap shackle safety chain disconnects on KLS locomotives sized to our passenger cars. The new disconnects have a load limit of 1380 pounds and provide a very quick and easy way to connect and disconnect the safety chains between the locomotive and the passenger cars. Please do not remove or change any safety chain components on KLS cars or locomotives without permission of the rolling stock superintendant.
- Repainted Thomson Building Bathroom (light blue).

There are several containers of liquid, some marked "Steam Oil", in the Thomson Building. Because what is in the containers may or may not be what is marked and the contents cannot be positively verified my plan is to dispose of it as hazardous waste in one week unless someone wants to take possession of it. Please talk to me if interested.

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.

One last thing, while working or moving equipment at KLS please be safe, do not get distracted, use common sense and pay attention to what you are doing! I am glad to help if there are any questions. Remember also, You Break It, You Fix It!

Thank our Member of the Year co-recipients Greg Slobodzian and Dan Simmons, as well as Tom Huffman, Bill Hartung, and the many others who come out, lend a hand and donate all their hard work on the KLS Railroad. These are the people really responsible for all the work. Without help, there would not be near as much happening.

Happy Rails, Don Rogers

Membership

By Carole Moss

KLS will provide one name tag for an Individual Membership, and two are provided with a Family Membership. Additional or replacement name tags can be ordered for \$10.00 each. Please contact Carole at withane65423@gmail.com or 253-566-3843 for replacements or additions. Please notify us if you have a change of your contact information. The Membership/Renewal application form is also downloadable from our website www.kitsaplivesteamers.org.

Open Invitation to Skagen's Private Track in Shelton

June 17th – 9am to 4pm \$5.00 each

RSVP! – Register on our KLS website calendar. Click the date, June 17th, and the button "register now," then just follow the prompts. You will receive an email confirmation of your registration. Or register by calling Cherri at 360-426-6280, or Carole at withane65423@gmail.com We need to have your registration by June 6th!!

Don't miss this opportunity!

Please bring your locomotive!

Reminder about this upcoming event:

Skagen's Track In Shelton, WA
Saturday, June 17, 2017 at 9:00 AM

Skagen's
1160 East Agate Rd
Shelton, WA 98584

Dave Skagen's has invited the members of Kitsap Live Steamers to enjoy a day at his private track located in Shelton, WA. Below are details for more information. Be sure and call as noted if you are coming.

Sunday Special Run Days

July 30th,
and Oct 15th

Holiday Run days

4th of July: July 4th and
Labor Day: Sept 4th

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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
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Time to Renew

Thank you to those of you who have renewed. If you haven't yet, please do. You don't want to miss all the new and exciting things that are happening.

Be apart of our future!

Kitsap Live Steamers Calendar

June	24	Run day in the Park AM - John Lee PM - Bill Hartung
July	4	Special Run Day in the Park TBD
	8	Run day in the Park AM/PM - TBD
	10	Board Meeting - Poodle Dog 7pm
	15	Friends and Family
	22	Run day in the Park AM/PM - TBD
August	7	Board Meeting - Poodle Dog 7pm
	12	Run day in the Park AM/PM - TBD
	19	Fun Run in the Park
	26	Run day in the Park AM/PM - TBD
September	4	Labor Day Run