



ORDERBOARD

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President's Message

by Erik M. Meehan

Building on Success

I would like to personally thank each and every Member who helped with yet another successful run season. Although the weather occasionally decided not to co-operate, the riders kept coming, and donating. What injuries and derailments we may have had were relatively minor, thanks to the diligent vigilance of Members in operating trains and maintaining the track.

And now...the rails have fallen silent, many of the storage tracks are empty, as trains have migrated back their winter homes, garages and basement shops, with some



Andy Frame served the entire evening as the KLS Robot Safety Announcer.

Ghost Train photos by Larry Harper and Bill Hartung

Thank You



Next Meeting:
December 7, 2015,
7:00pm
Poodle Dog, Fife

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Happy November Birthdays to

Greg Slobodzian (Nov 12th),
Doug Wilkinson (Nov 23rd) and
Katherine Jones (Nov 28th)

Please welcome our newest member

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Kitsap County Parks
Advisory Board
2015 Meeting Schedule
Meeting Time – 6:00 PM

November 18, 2015
Eagle's Nest
1195 NW Fairgrounds Rd
Bremerton WA

December
No Regular Meeting
Scheduled

President's Message

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to be seen in fleeting glimpses in Puyallup and Tacoma, before making the trip back to Port Orchard in the Spring.

So...what's a Member to do?

Fortunately, there's always something to do at the railroad.

Before the next run season, there are quite a few track panels and switches in the Yard that need to be repaired or replaced. The mainline will need re-trimming, and the rest of the whistle posts will need to be made and permanently mounted. The Thomson Building could use a good cleaning, and the KLS motive power and rolling stock will need a thorough going-through. Although the list is long, the work we do pays dividends.

A while back, I had the experience of being catapulted from a derailing

straddle car at another railroad. I was very fortunate, ending up with a couple of bruised shins and a muddy leg (I wound up in a mud puddle). As I was drying myself off in the depot, I overheard how that my derailment was one of about a half-dozen serious derailments this year, possibly due to the condition of the track. That revelation took my breath away, and made me take stock of our railroad.

Although we will never be the biggest 7-1/2" gauge railroad in the Northwest, that doesn't mean we cannot be the best. Being the best takes time and effort, and a desire to keep being better.

Again, thank you for all of your efforts, past, present and future, to help make your railroad the best it can be.

Great Train Expo Puyallup 2015

By Jeff Mills

This year's Great Train Expo Puyallup 2015 is scheduled for November 14th and 15th and will be open to the public 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Set up will start on Friday the 13th at 1:00 PM and will be completed before 10:00 AM on Saturday.

We have an area of 800 square feet or 20' X40' and we can accommodate eight to ten 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 also interesting to the public.

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

We will also need volunteers to help man our display for Saturday and Sunday. The passes are handed out at the set up day so they can not be distributed until after we set up. If you come to 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](tel:253-740-6013) and I will meet you at the gate with a pass.

Thanks
Jeff Mills

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Ghost Run

Thank you from Larry

"I would like to thank all the members that turned out for the Ghost Train. It was a huge effort by a few that worked tirelessly to ensure a great time for those that rode out trains. 1500 passengers in four hours+! I didn't see a disappointed rider the whole night. Again, thank you to those that showed up for this important event."



Here's a shot of Nick Buell on his Pacific with Ken Kaivo as conductor, and Erik Meehan on Bill Hartung's Pacific conferring with Ken. Caden Powell, Erik's conductor, looks on

KLS Bylaws Changes

Below is to be published in the Order Board

ARTICLE XII AMENDMENTS

Section 1: Amendments

These Bylaws may be amended at any regular or special meeting of KLS by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present, if a written copy of the proposed amendment is sent to all voting members with the notice of the meeting. If there is no previous notice, a vote of the majority of the voting membership is needed to amend these Bylaws.

Section 2: Submitting an Amendment

Any voting member can submit an amendment, signed by at least ten (10) other voting members, to the Board of Directors at least three (3) months before the meeting at which it is to be acted upon.

Such amendments shall appear in writing along with any other proposed amendments by the Board of Directors and shall be sent to all voting members with the notice of the meeting.

So as per section 2, at the October 5th meeting the board was presented by Ken Olsen with a signed list of ten members present to amend the bylaws. The amendment is to add a paragraph to clarify the voting for officers and directors using electronic means and the removal of the word "monthly" in regards to the newsletter. All wording in black is copied and will remain as worded. The amendment is in red. The board hereby submits the changes which will be voted on at the January annual meeting:

Section 2: Elections

Elections shall be held by ballots. Ballots shall be mailed to those members not having internet access and emailed to those

members having access to the internet, within ten (10) days of the close of the annual meeting. Ballots must be received by the designated KLS member prior to the next meeting. For audit purposes if by email ballot, the voting member must use the email address of record as of the end of the calendar year.

Electronic voting, via email or other internet-based means, may be used for any election or other vote, provided that the method for such is secure as to both the possibility of fraud and the protection of the identities of the voters. The Board of Directors will approve any such methodology, subject to objection from the general membership, said objection to be affirmed by majority vote at a scheduled meeting.

Section 2.5: Monthly Meetings

a. Officers and Board of Directors shall conduct meetings on a regular basis at least once per calendar. Such meetings shall be accessible to the general membership and shall provide updates on all aspects of KLS business, such as, but not limited to, committee reports, finances, activities and construction.

b. Notification of the time and place of the upcoming monthly meeting shall be published in the **monthly** newsletter.

Delete the word "monthly" here and other locations where this is noted in the bylaws.

If you have any questions about the amendments contact Ken Olsen, VP

Chain Saw Class

It's that time of year again. Art Ellison and I will be conducting a chainsaw safety and maintenance class. The class will be on **Wednesday, November 18th at 6:00pm at the Island Lake Community Center**. This class does not teach you how to run a chainsaw, but certifies you in the Kitsap County Safety Protocols for operating a saw on County property. You must be currently certified in order to run a chainsaw on County property. This is a safety class and is also good for volunteers who are working with sawyers, but not necessarily operating a saw. The class will include watching a video, reviewing handouts, discussion, and demonstration. If you are taking the class as a sawyer, you will be required to start your chainsaw during class.

RSVP is required for this class.

Remember you need to renew your certification every 2 years.

Sawyers need to bring to class: Chainsaw, hard hat, leather gloves, eye and ear protection, and chainsaw chaps if you have them.

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Bulletin Board

On The Track

By Bill Hartung

As we neared the end of the 2015 public run season, several dedicated KLS members spent an extraordinary amount of time working on the track. Concentrating on replacing the most rotten ties under switches in the yard, Tom Huffman, Don Rogers, Dan Simmons and Greg Slobodzian spent hours on their knees and deserve a great big 'thank you' from all of us. This work replacing the aging switch ties will continue through the Winter work days, so there's plenty for the rest of us to do at the park. And as we near the start of the 2016 season we'll be addressing what mother nature did to the track since last October. The March work days will be the time for taking out the kinks, dips and bumps.

Looking ahead to next year and the track extension, I have described to the board the need to increase the allocation of funds to complete this project. The original estimate to build this first new track extension was \$10,000, based on the

cost of building track over 15 years ago. The latest cost estimate to lay our track is \$10 per foot, and our rough first measurement of the length of the extension is 2000 feet, resulting in a total cost of as much as \$20,000. Hence, at the annual meeting in January I will ask the membership to approve an increase of \$10,000. Some of the original allocation has already been spent for the rail we will use, but we still need to acquire ties, track screws, rail joiners and some miscellaneous items, plus many dump truck loads of gravel. And I plan to hire a professional dozer to do the initial grading of the new right-of-way. A pro can do for us in one day what we would spend weeks on if we did it ourselves, even using the tractor.

Please contact me if you have questions or suggestions about the track in the park.

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 membership@kitsaplivesteamers.org or 253-566-3843

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Tom Huffman, Greg Slobodzian, and Dan Rogers replacing bad ties in the KLS yard.

Annual Model Train Festival at the Washington State History Museum

Annual Model Train Festival at the Washington State History Museum will be December 21st through January 1st between the hours of 11 am and 5 pm. However, the show will not be open on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. Set up dates will be announced shortly for those that will be displaying their trains. Both events will need as many of our KLS members as possible to help man the events. Contact Ken Olsen for questions about the Model Train Festival at the museum and Jeff Mills about the Great American Train show at the Puyallup train show.

KLS Anniversary T Shirts

Selling to the members at cost including sales tax

Basic Shirt: Youth and Adult	7.90
Hoodie sweatshirt	19.00
Long sleeve T-shirt	12.00
Sweatshirts	17.00
Polo Shirts	16.50
Long sleeve polo	20.25
V Neck Bella shirt	10.50
Long sleeve Bella Shirt	14.00

XXI is 2.00 more per shirt and xxxl is 3.00 more per shirt

The basic shirts come in a rainbow of colors. Call me on colors for the other shirts. We have had requests for more feminine t-shirts. The Bella shirts are slim cut. For me I will order a size larger.

Call me, facebook me, e-mail me if you have any questions. meehos@aol.com
253-756-7868.

For Sale: Custom Vinyl Lettering
Have you been looking for that special custom railroad font or other specialty work for your engine or cars? Well we have it in white, black, gold colors. Additional colors might be available. Contact Dennis Weaver (360) 871-6414

For Sale

For Sale: Bob's Two Trains 7 ½ inch gauge, 1 ½ inch per foot.



Pacific 4-6-2 Locomotive complete and running with prints. Passed all tests for 10 years. Steel boiler and tubes.



Mountain 4-8-4 Locomotive chassis. All wheels turned and mounted on frame. Some rods completed.

Tender truck wheels turned and mounted on shafts. Several castings for engine and tender plus prints.

Craftsman Lathe Model 101.28970, approximately 1962. 12 by 36 inches in excellent condition. Thread cutting and many tools.

Jet Mill Drill Model JMD-15 plus tooling. Jet Band Saw/Cut off Saw. Lots of nuts, bolts and stuff for trains. Engine Hoist

Interested Call Bob Fuchs at 253-631-8377



Special Sale of KLS Shirts

“Get them while they last! Adult KLS Shirts on sale **\$5.00** each. The larger sizes listed in the past for as much as \$26.00! There are a few grey t-shirts left and lots of polo shirts in blue with and with out pockets,”

Contact Jana or Barbara Lanchester to make a purchase. Limited to stock on hand!

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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.

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 \$7.00 each. Please contact Carole at: membership@kitsaplivesteamers.org or 253-566-3843 for replacements or additions. Please notify us if you have a change of your contact information. The Membership/renewal form is also downloadable from our website www.kitsaplivesteamers.org. Remember Family membership is only \$60 and we now have the option of payment by credit card.

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Kitsap Live Steamers Calendar

November	14-15	Great Train Expo - 10:00 - 4:00 Jeff Mills
	21	Work Day in the Park
December	7	Board Meeting - Poodle Dog 7pm
	12	Work Day in the Park
	21-Jan 1	Model Train Festival - Washington State Museum
January	9	Work Day in the Park
	16	AGM - TBD
	23	Work Day in the Park
February	1	Board Meeting - Poodle Dog 7pm
	13	Work Day in the Park
	27	Work Day in the Park