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Ardenwood Historic Farm, 9/1/18 – The NCRy volunteer crew participated at the 19<sup>th</sup> annual Rail Fair during Labor Day weekend with and Jon Engberson, an information booth including brochures and schedules. The big hit this year was with young rail fans and parents at our Speeder Goodier, Al McCrackand Velocipede displays making their inaugural debut. Little hands and fingers

were attracted to the display's levers and knobs like a bee to nectar. Volunteers at the event were Laura Joe Peterson, Dee and Brook Murphy, Jon and Trudie Burnside, Tony Peters, Dan Mills, Photos by Dan Sarka Pete and Barbara en, and Tom Crawford. The Rail Fair at Ardenwood is operated by the Society for the Preserva-

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### NILES CANYON RAILWAY CALENDAR

October 3 MOW 8:00 a - 4:00p October 10 MOW 8:00 a - 4:00p October 21 Regular Operations October 31 MOW 8:00 a - 4:00p

President

October 6 MOW Building East October 17 MOW 8:00 a - 4:00p October 24 MOW 8:00 a - 4:00p October 7 Regular Operations (D) October 17 GENERAL MEETING October 27 Brush cutting 8:00 a - 5:00p

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# President's Report

I'm going to dive right in and remind everyone that it is TOL season. We need everyone to concerned with our employees. do whatever they can to make this TOL season a success. Right now, volunteers are needed to help with TOL decorating. If you can come out just for one day and help, it really helps lessen the workload on the other volunteers. sically, you must pay yourself,

Of course, holiday decorating just may not be your cup of tea. We have lots of other opportunities that require the skill set that you probably have forgotten you had. Whenever you volunteer others. I know I have done that, your time, remember that the task you are performing would probably have to be done by another volunteer, who will now be freed up to do a task that is more their cup of tea, or possibly a task that requires skills only they have.

The legal definition of a volunteer is one who gives of themselves without expecting or accepting any form of remuneration. As soon as you accept payment in any form, you are no longer a volunteer. This is where it gets tricky, because at some point the volunteer becomes an employee. Once an organization gets its first employee, the organization is forever changed. There are 5 or 6 government departments that are concerned with

how a corporation treats their employees, and so they are really Simple solution is not to have any.

It is the volunteer's responsibility to ensure that they are getting as much as they can to justify their volunteer efforts. Bausually in 'self-satisfaction' bucks. Sometimes, all volunteers also pay themselves with 'I am something special' bucks, which they get from others when they share their volunteer experiences with especially after I have learned a new skill. You just want to tell people about it. I have also found that I also magnify the value of those bucks: One 'I am something special' buck is equal to ten 'selfsatisfaction' bucks. (DISCLAIMER -This is a personal estimate. Your values may differ. Non-taxable. Cash value is 0) While these selfvalued bucks won't buy you a cup of coffee, the real result is that they make you want to volunteer some more of your precious time. Everybody is different, and everybody volunteers for their own reasons.

The organization is constantly looking for ways to entice new volunteers to come out and help, or to get current volunteers

to give more of themselves. This is a double-edged sword, because we also need to protect our volunteers from over taxing themselves. Our pool of volunteers is quite large (technically most of the population of the planet meet our volunteer criteria). But then the practical limitations crop up, and quickly cull the pool of potential volunteers. We know how hard it is to volunteer for PLA if you can't get to Niles Canyon. That limit alone probably drops 98 or 99% of our volunteer pool from active to reserve.

Since we are now dealing with a much smaller pool, the stakes get higher. The next group that probably must be culled from the pool are those individuals who want to volunteer, but don't want to volunteer for PLA and NCRy. Those of us who have been around for quite a while and bleed rust and steam cannot imagine why those people don't want to donate their hours to us. But we are realists and we know that is the case. Apparently, there are a lot of people out there who don't like trains. This might be deeply rooted in their psyche, from a bad experience as a child or something like that. Usually that is also the reason a lot of people don't like cats. But there goes another 98 or 99% of the

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remaining volunteer pool.

So, we must concentrate on stimulating that remaining pool. The PLA currently has over 1000 members. These are people who have identified themselves as liking the PLA and the NCRy enough to want to be a part of it. Sure, some join to get the benefit of a better deal on train rides and gift shop discounts, but all are supporting the organization in their own way. We recognize that fact, so these are the people we go to first when we are looking for volunteers. But we don't want to forget the rest of the potential volunteers out there.

It was recently pointed out to us by a concerned member -volunteer that we have some members-only events that are tied to volunteer efforts. If you are a member and have volunteered enough hours over the year, you will be awarded the opportunity to receive free tickets on our 2-member trains on the TOL. I had never really thought about it, but there is a juxtaposition there that confuses the line between volunteers and members. While the number of volunteers who are not members is not very large, it is still limiting to require being a member to garner the award. Your Board of Directors does see that, and we will do

a better job of balancing these rewards and enticements.

personnel in our Steam Department to discuss the future of our Steam Operations. As we all know, operating steam locomotives is something that is extremely difficult, extremely timeconsuming, and ridiculously expensive. That is why the railroads were so quick to abandon steam power once a viable alternative presented itself. Our organization was founded specifically to preserve these steam locomotives that were heading to the scrap heap by the thousands. We are also dedicated to ensuring that we have the abilities and skill sets preserved so that we can do what tive. Your main tasks will be pervery few Railroad Museums in the forming lubrication and inspecworld can do – operate trains powered by real steam locomotives.

As the pool of volunteers who have the skills necessary to help us in continuing to meet that objective, we will be making some changes to the organization's operating rules to allow a separate (faster) path to moving up the train crew ladder into the Steam Engineer seat.

If you think you might want to be a part of the Steam Department, we will be opening a to be confident when we eventu-

Hosteler Training Program in the next few months. This is the perfect place to get your feet wet I recently met with the key learning about our steam locomotives. Many man-hours are required behind the scenes to get a steam locomotive ready for operation. As we run bigger and more complex locomotives, this problem compounds, and needs more time. In the 'good old days' railroads dealt with this by keeping the locomotives hot 24/7 (in some areas of the country, even diesel locomotives still follow this practice). The down side to this was you had to do your routine preparation and maintenance on a hot locomotive. Our program will be easier as in most cases you will be prepping a cold locomotion prior to firing the engine. This will usually happen the day prior to running of the locomotive. Jeff Schwab (510.734.6890) will be the initial contact point for this as we begin setting this up.

> Jeff will also be working with these volunteers to try and fit them into our Steam Program. Sadly, as in any of our technical departments, desire is not enough to ensure success in the Steam Department. Your desires will be analyzed, and then measured against your skills. We need

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#### ALONG THE RIGHT OF WAY

FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

This month saw a lot of work done on the track structure. This is really needed if we want to continue to run trains in the ways we have become accustomed to. Big and heavy and long. Since the NCRY Railway has not done any right of way tamping of our curves to make sure our super elevation is set right and making sure the curve conforms to the right of way specs.

To accomplish this, we rented the Mark IV tamper from H & H with operator. This computerized tamping machine can tamp one mile a day.

As of this writing, it is keeping schedule. The big tamper money on track interior structure will be out on the East end to finish up a short piece of track from the switch East for about 200 feet. Why should we rent a tamper when we have one of our own? We have huge turns on this vear's run of the TOL. It's a new railroad. Some of them are over a season and this year's TOL is well quarter mile long. They have elevation changes depending on curve. The operator runs machine same as last years in size and across the length of turn including spiral. Then he goes back over 261 caboose will have a new it with laser tamper extended arm and computers working as

tamper as this turn is profiled and new stuff up on the interior is conforming until the turn is as designed and built. This is a high production machine. This is a Mark IV. They do get bigger and they do more things. Big toys for big boys. After the tamper does its job, then there will be a track inspection for broken and bad ties. After that was determined, H & H track crew will put in around 160 ties for this quarter up grades. This is all to prepare for the winter and the heavy trains that torment this track each year. Good right of way, Safe operations. It comes down to a simple approach. Spend and keep the trains on the rails.

Boy! How time flies. It seems like yesterday, but it has been six months since we took down the decorations for last underway in getting decorated. This year's train will be about the weight. The combine and ATSF paint Job to show off and should look great. We are putting some

of the articulated coach. This car now can power itself and most of train, it also has one beautiful restroom.

The interior will see some new action lights that are outstanding. The TOL will look Great as it usually does.

For those who asked about decorating on Saturday on the interior. That will start the Last Sat. of October.

We do decorate every Wednesday and some Thursdays. Help is always welcome.

Rich Alexander and Bob Bradley continue their work on the new Niles depot. This station when finished will be a big improvement over what is there now. It is also very secure. It should be moved down to Niles before the TOL.

This month also had the FRA and PUC pay us a visit to check over our track. It seems that we must be doing something right. Only one write up, broken bolt. You know hot days along with cold nights puts stress on the older bolts.

NCRY has got a new in-

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spection car. It seats four and runs well. This will be in use when we need to provide transportation to inspect the railroad with PUC, FRA or other designated guests. Also, it will be used to go to locations where work has been completed.

This car should fill that assignment.

That will be it for this month. Work safely and hope to see you along the right of way.

Dexter Day





ally put new volunteers in charge of these living machines.

As always, if you would like to discuss any topic in further detail, please contact me by phone at 925.447.7358 or by email at president@ncry.org

Respectfully submitted Henry Baum



The 65,000 pound Mark IV Tamper doing turns on the mainline. *Photo by Dexter Day* 

# Want to volunteer with the Niles Canyon Railway? START HERE!

#### YOUR VOLUNTEER HELP IS ALWAYS NEEDED AND APPRECIATED!

**BRUSH CUTTING** - Clearing the RoW of bushes and trees - Steve Jones - fcocompost@aol.com

CAR MAINTENANCE - Maintenance and repair - Tom Crawford - tom@thecrawfordfamily.net

COMMISSARY - Food service on the trains - Bob Bradley - ncry.commissary@yahoo.com

**GIFT SHOP** - Work in the Sunol Gift Shop - Gail Hedberg - giftshop@ncry.org

MOW CREW - (WEDNESDAY) - Work on track repair, etc. - Joe Peterson - wedmow@ncry.org

MOW CREW - (SATURDAY) - Work on track repair, etc. Michael Strider - michael.strider@hdrinc.com

SIGNALS - Install/Maintain signal systems - Curt Hoppins - curt@ncrysignal.com

STATION - (NILES) - Work parking, ticket sales, set-up, etc. - John Fenstermacher - johnnsherif@aol.co

STATION - (SUNOL) - Work parking, ticket sales, set-up, etc. - Donna Alexander - station-agent@ncry.org



Do you know what they're all smiling about? It's because they know that by signing up with the PLA member's email list they can get breaking news about NCRy, department announcements, updates, scheduling, ask questions concerning the railway and equipment, share information, etc. So, if you want to "smile" too, just send an email to Paul Veltman, list moderator, at <a href="mailto:stumpie@ncry.org">stumpie@ncry.org</a> and ask to be added to the list.



### **E-Coupling Information**

Website: http://www.ncry.org E-Mail: pla@ncry.info Twitter: @toots4ncry



Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/NilesCanyonRailway
YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/user/NilesCanyonRailRoad

# Wednesday Maintenance of Way Update

An interesting month along the ROW! From trimming Australian trees to fixing insulated UP-interchange track. We gathjoints, what more could you ask for? Please don't ;-)

Every day starts as another "typical" day along the right-ofway! Translation: We planned a good day then Mother Nature had her way ;-)

Participants in the Gandy Dancer Ballet this month were; Ron Thomas, Dee Murphy, Pat Stratton, Gregg McNaughton, Pat Hafey and your faithful reporter.

Remember that 25 second tie? Well it was easily replaced but then, when the crew headed to Farwell to pickup the last dregs of a ballast pile there, a surprise was waiting. Upon arrival, plans changed as quickly as you can say Australian Maple! There was a tree sitting upside down in the space east of the phone booth but fouling the ROW sightline for engineers.

Back to Brightside to get chain saw, the Bandit Chipper and lunch then back into the fray. Didn't get it all chopped and chipped but the sightline blockage is gone! Another surprise taken care of on a moments notice. Of course, the tie replacement was a complete success.

The Tie Handler was

prepped to ferry ties to Hearst for series on Netflix)! the big replacement job on the ered the required switch ties from east Brightside, headed east stopping at the Shoofly to get some siding ties then proceeded to Hearst.

Now, any of you who have used the Tie Handler know that it is a weak puller going east; it even has trouble getting to bed in Brightside. Makes you wonder why we thought it would make it up that steep grade to the road crossing at Hearst with a load of 10 ties. Long story short, it didn't! Now to give the poor thing credit, it did get thirty feet past the switch before stalling out! Taking a page out of Railroading 1A, we decided to "double" the hill. After dropping 5 ties, we tried again. Didn't budge! Took off some more ties, no deal. Emptied the flat, no way! Disconnected the flat, ever so slight progress to the east but knew it would stall out on the steeper part of the track, so we left the pile of ties by the ballast pile east of the switch and headed to the barn. Eventually, H & H came out, used the ties and fixed the tie problem.

See what you are missing when you don't come out on Wednesdays for the continuing WEDMOW saga (soon to be a

One thing we are good at is the usual morning ballet getting equipment arranged for the day's outings. After one such morning, we headed to MP-33.38 to replace a cracked joint bar. Good thing we did because the other joint bar had a major crack in it. Luckily, we had two bars and were able to make the repairs onsite.

Something that hardly ever gets thought about is the flangeways in the concrete crossing pads. This was brought to our attention by Peter Schulze and so we headed to Kilkare Crossing to do some house cleaning. Using prybars to loosen the material, we then used the leaf blowers to do the actual cleaning. Most of the material co-operated and went east, some went north but the afternoon traffic and wind disbursed that for us.

While we were in the vicinity, we cleaned and lubricated the spring frog at the east Sunol switch. All nice and clean now.

We are always talking and working on joint bars. This past month, we were introduced to insulated joint bars! These allow the Signal Department to break the railroad into segments for signaling purposes. To begin this

tale, we found some insulated joint end posts on the workbench and (crossing our fingers) headed out to Bond St. where one was reported as missing. Once found, we should have brought the leaf blowers, the insulated joint was dis-assembled (needs longer bolts and lock washers!) and we discovered that our fingers didn't work! The end posts that we had were for three rail sizes that didn't match the 132 # rails that we had. We couldn't even borrow from the 112 # joint in the old passing siding! So, we re-assembled the joint and made note on what to bring next time.

By the way, it is amazing how fast things bury themselves in the leaves, even large wrenches! Next time the leaf blowers will be in attendance;-)

Another great day in the canyon let us stamp done on the job of installing an "end plate" in the insulated joint next to Bond Crossing. Thanks to an assortment that Curt gave us, we were able to find one that fit between the rail ends. Interesting things, insulated joints, lots of parts.

When we were returning from Bond St., Doug Vanderlee and Rich Alexander flagged us down at the Sunol Depot where they had been removing weeds. They were happy

to give us five bags of "gardening" which we deposited in the appropriate bin back in Brightside.

To finish off the day, we rummaged through the insulated joint storage area in the south 40 and found some bolts that will go into the Bond St. joint.

Never a dull moment is there?

May your ballast be clean and your blocks green! And may you join us along the ROW whenever you are able!

Joe Peterson





Above: Hopefully, this is Gregg McNaughton, Pat Hafey and Pat Stratton replacing the broken joint bar at MP-33.38 and not a floating crap game. *Photo by Joe Peterson* 

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas around Brightside....our exterior and interior decorators are hard at work decorating all of our cars, since less than 2 months from now the Train of Lights begins. Every night approximately 41 volunteers are needed for the Train of Lights, not counting Pat's engine and train crew. For the entire season we need 1015 people to pull this off. As of this writing, we have 179 slots filled, which is really good since the sign ups have only been online a few days. But we need a whole lot more if we want this year to be as good or better than past years. So if you have any empty days and would like to be a part of the best holiday event around, sign up for a spot on the Train of Lights volunteer opportunities online at ncry.org. Some spots you don't even have to log in to see them. Just click on Volunteer and then click on

Volunteer Opportunities.

There are a total of 3 pages, but only 2 can be seen if you don't log in first. If you want to see the 3<sup>rd</sup> page, log in at the top right with your name and password, and then click on Volunteer and Volunteer Opportunities. If you haven't logged in yet, or can't remember your password, click on Forgot My Username/Password, and then sign in, and re-

member what you used to sign in.

This year we are operating 26 nights because of our Test Train, 23 public nights, and 2 charters. Next year, because of how Thanksgiving and Christmas fall we will only be able to operate 18 public nights, and this is going to happen for the next few years with a reduced amount of train nights. We have to do

### NCRy 2018 Train of Lights Calendar

2018 Train of Lights

Tuesday, November 20—Test Train 6:00 pm Niles/ Fremont Station

Friday, November 23—4:30 public and 7:30 Sunol Residents' Train

Saturday, November 24—4:30 public, 7:30 Volunteer Train

Sunday, November 25—4:30 Volunteer Train, 7:30 public

Public trains-- November 28, 30, December 1, 2, 5, 6 (charter from Sunol), 7, 8, 9, 11 (charter from Sunol), 12, 14, 15, 16, 19, 21, 22, 23, 26, 28, 29, 30.

the best we can this year to make the money needed to get us through all of the Niles Canyon Railway projects for the next few years.

Thank you for helping with this important event for our trains.

donna alexander



### **August Volunteers**

by Paul Veltman

The following is a list of the people who helped run your railroad in August. Names in **Bold** are new members, first timers, or the first time in a long time. If you are new to volunteering on the railroad, please print your name clearly on the sign in sheet so it can be read. You can also send hours by e-mail to <a href="mailto:stumpie1@sbcglobal.net">stumpie1@sbcglobal.net</a>. Note that if I can't read your writing, you may not get credit for the hours you worked.

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Don Gholson	Steve Slabach	Jim McDaniel	Sue Thomas
Gail Hedberg	Pat Stratton	Arthur McKenzie	
Roger McCluney	Paul Veltman	Bob Moore	Special Events
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Joe Scardino		Dee Murphy	Mary Asturias
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	Rich Alexander	Tony Peters	Sue Thomas
<u>Meetings</u>	Bob Bailey	Joe Scardino	Pete Willis
Donna Alexander	Jeff Brazelton	Jim Stewart	Tete willis
Rich Alexander	Chris Campi	Terry Stokes	Depot Crew/
Henry Baum	Steve Coon	Phil Stone	Operations
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Dexter Day	Dexter Day	Wes Swift	Donna Alexander
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Glenn Fountin	Gerald DeWitt	Marshall Williams	Bob Bailey
Don Gholson	Norm Fraga		Armando Castro
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Steve Jones	Jim Green		Glenn Fountain
	Jeff Haslam		Jim Gilmore
Dennis Mann	Chris Hauf	Bonnie Harrington	Steve Jones
Peter Midnight		_	Dave Lion



Left: Jim Stewart and Pat Stratton seen rebuilding the insulated joint near Bond Street Notice the delicate treatment needed to align the various parts. *Photo by Joe Peterson* 



Above Right: A rare Australian Larch tree? Either way, it has to go, since it's blocking sightlines for the Engineers along the ROW. *Photo by Pat Stratton.* 

Right: Pat Stratton, Pat Hafey and Gregg McNaughton are seen working on a joint bar replacement near MP-33.38 *Photo by Joe Peterson* 

Below: While Bob Pratt cleans out the flange ways in the Bond St. crossing, Pat Stratton starts to re-assemble the insulated joint. *Photo by Joe Peterson* 



Right: Here is what makes up an insulated joint. The two rail ends never touch due to the 'end plate' and the bolts that hold the joint together are also insulated from the rails. Lots of parts to lose in the leaves...

Photo by Joe Peterson





Patrice McDonald Dan Mills	Dan Mills Charles Navarra	Gerry Feeney Warren Haack	Bridges and Build- ings
Sally Mills	John Pelmulder	Kent Hedberg	Rich Alexander
Linda Stanley Pat Warren	Joe Romani Jim Stewart	Jorg Linke Derek Lyon-McKeil	Bob Bailey Dexter Day
Pete Willis	Pat Stratton Mike Strider	George Mednick Mark Miller	Jack Harrington Al McCracken
Gail Hedberg Patrice McDonald	Ron Thomas Paul Veltman John Zielinski	Derek Schipper Roger Skinner Jack Starr Jim Stewart	Joe Scardino Alan Siegwarth Pete Willis
Charlene Murrell Sue Thomas	Switching Crew Rich Anderson	Pat Stratton Dave Tadlock Stephanie Tadlock Ron Thomas Ted Unruh	Electrical & Signals  Rich Alexander Gent Christensen Curt Hoppins Joe Romani Jim Stewart Paul Veltman John Zielinski
<u>Training</u> Rich Alexander	Gerald DeWitt Gerry Feeney		
Tom Anderson Ed Best Bent Christensen Tom Crawford	Train Crew  Rich Alexander Rich Anderson	Jackie Vlasak Paul Welch Jon Williamson	
Jon Engberson Laura Engberson Pat Hafey Brian Hitchcock Curt Hoppins Steve Jones Steve Lowe Mark Miller	Ed Best Mike Carter Chris Chisom Scott Crislip Dexter Day Gerald DeWitt Bob Engberson Jon Engberson	Docents  Bob Bailey  Mike Bozzini  Fred Krock  Joe Peterson	Mechanical Dept  Rich Anderson Henry Chandler Doug Debs Gerald DeWitt Jon Engberson

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### August Treasurer's Report

Paul Veltman, Treasurer

In August, \$1,170.74 in donations were received. Donations year to date for our fiscal year are \$2,048.24.

\$500 was received for caboose AT&SF 999081, \$100 for the engine house, \$80 for the SP 9010, \$400 for the Beer Train Special and \$90.74 for the General Fund.



Linda Bradley

**Andrew Goodson** 

Dan Haneckow

Harvey Henkelmann

Charles Jellison

Jorg Linke

Lawrence Livermore National Labs

**Nancy Machut** 

Irene Westler honoring George Childs

Jean-Pol Zundel

We thank all of you for your generosity in helping the Niles Canyon Railway and its many projects.



Above: A Sunday train crew discusses the upcoming trip while conducting switching operations in the yard.

Photo by Michael Carter

Right: Same caboose as above, but after her new paint job.

Photo by

Dee Murphy



Laura Engberson Chris O'Gara

Gerry Feeney John Pelmulder

Jeff Haslam Joe Peterson

Chris Hauf **Bob Pratt** 

Kent Hedberg Linda Stanley

Steve Jones Pat Stratton Chuck Kent Mike Strider

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Tom Crawford

Frank Fontes

Pat Hafey

Steve Jones

Gregg McNaughton

Dee Murphy

Charles Navarra

Above Right: Dee Murphy working on prepping the combine before primer application. Photo by Dexter Day

Center & Lower Right,: NCRy volunteers enjoying the Ardenwood Rail Fair and spreading the word about NCRy volunteer opportunities.

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Crew ready the Clover Valley Lumber Company #4 at Brightside Yard on a spring morning.

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