



The Mountain GAZETTE

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FROM THE EDITOR



TRAIN MOUNTAIN IS NOT CLOSED! The North end is NOT closed! There are new fire **RESTRICTIONS** for the North end, but this is **NOT** a **closure**, just a **restriction**. Until all of the details can be worked out between the three BODs and the necessary fire departments, steam engines burning coal, wood, or oil are **RESTRICTED** from running on the track North of South Portal. They are **allowed** to run on all the other track at Train Mountain provided they have the regular fire prevention equipment such as spark arresters etc.,. This is a **TEMPORARY RESTRICTION**. Remember that Train Mountain made it into the Guinness Book of Records as the 'world's longest hobby railroad' long before there was FTM or the north lands or major track expansion! We still have lots and lots of track for the coal, wood or oil burners to traverse. All are very welcome!

There is lots of news in this issue. There are new fire **RESTRICTIONS!** As this is being written the Narrow Gauge Work Week is going on. The June Work Week /Meet is just around the corner. The weather is improving! Lots of things going on. Some raking and some pickup has begun. Some track work repairs have begun. Some signal repairs have begun. When you arrive **PLEASE** sign in at Central Station and then go check out the white board in the Hall of Flags. The white board has a listing of all the jobs that Ross wants the volunteers to undertake during their stay at Train Mountain. If we, the volunteers, don't help out with the work then it won't be the Train Mountain we all know. Most of the work is not hard, it just needs to be attended to. If there is a special function of the railroad you wish to learn about and you see it listed on the white board, join in that crew and get'er done! There will be an 8:00 meeting each day of the work week to get crews going. This would a good opportunity to meet and greet your fellow live steamers and join a crew.

Train Mountain had such a successful Holiday Express experience we are going to try a summer venue next! We need lots of help to make this happen and if you happen to be at Train Mountain during any of the Work Weeks please attend the planning meetings to be held at 3:00 pm on Wednesday in Hall of Flags. We need all kinds of help and donations, so please inquire at the main office or attend the meetings if you can help in any way. Thanks in advance.

The June Meet will see the volunteer dinners start up again. These dinners are provided by and funded by locals as their way of saying thank you for coming to the Work Weeks and spending a little time and sweat to make OUR Train Mountain bigger and better. Some of these events are held in local member's private homes so please act accordingly. They all want you to have a good time and enjoy Train Mountain.

Kay has the Company Store just cookin'! Please either check it out online, or when you are at the Mountain check in to see all of her new goodies available for sale. This also includes those small folding shovels we all should have in our trains for fire safety.

Remember ladies, Thursday is your day at any of the Train Mountain Work Weeks. Come to the Hall of



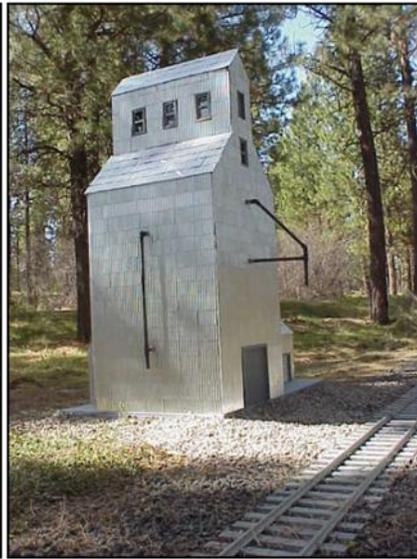
Russ' new building under construction

Flags at 1:00 and join in the fun. It's hosted by the local quilting group, the Chilquilters, but is not just about quilting! It's a great time to socialize and meet some of the other wives and local ladies. If you have any kind of craft project you are working on, please bring it in for a little show and tell.

Last thing is to make sure you let the office know if you are coming to any of the Banquets for any of the meets. They need to know ahead of time, not after you arrive.



On its way but a quick stop first



At K & W on Freihube Siding



And from the back side

Russ Wood, Co-editor

FROM THE MANAGER

Hi all, May is here and we are still setting record low temperatures! Last night I saw 17 degrees, isn't it time to warm up? I have been watching Carol's blog with great enjoyment and I was blaming her for criticizing Mother Nature too much, but it's just ridiculous now.



The Kitsap Krew has come and gone, but not before taking things apart, creating unique art work out of light bulbs, building a great hopper car and getting a lot of spring chores out of the way. Weather-wise we had nice days, and we were able to give them snow one day and even



some cold wind. They did persevere and take a train to the north end, though. It is always a lot of fun when these folks show up and we all appreciate the work they do. I can't forget to mention one experience that will make them all proud though, next time you see one of the Krew ask them what kind of soap a dishwasher uses, I bet Dick Peterson knows now! Just kidding Dick, I'm sure you knew but had to test your knowledge!!

Next up The Narrow Gauge Meet. While fire restrictions are already in effect (as you'll see in the notice in the Gazette) it will still be great running on all the track on the south side and for those not covered in the restrictions, you'll be running for hours. Some of the signal guys and gal are working hard to get all the signals working to enhance the ride even more. We hope to have a demonstration on fire hazards with trains and perhaps a presentation on the narrow gauge equipment. It will be a fun one for sure.

I have asked for help on some supplies in the last few Gazettes and have had wonderful support. Michael Raypholtz has taken up the slack on shovels, hoses and garbage bags. Thank you very much, Michael. Bill Dobbs and Dennis Weaver helped out in the shovel inventory as well, Larry Dabroi has provided fertilizer and

even spread it as well as helping out by getting redi-mix. Peg and Charlie Schubert, along with Gordon Felber, started the ball rolling last month with hoses, shovels, rakes and bags and Al Taylor donated some redi-mix. Many folks have been contributing money to the General Fund for operations; to name a few, the Weavers, Dobbs, Eaton, Dabroi, Dick Peterson, and the Schuberts. I am sure I missed some; thank you everyone.

Roger Broggie has donated a copy of "Walt Disney's Railroad Story" written by his brother Michael. Roger is the one that donated the great trestle in the Hall of Flags that the "Lilly Belle" was displayed on. Richard Mairs brought down 5 stainless steel roll up doors for future projects and Bruce Eaton sent us a Home Depot Gift Card for supplies. Thank you very much.

We have also received a large donation of books, magazines and blue prints from the estate of "Engineer Bill" Gallandt. Thank you to his daughters for thinking of us.

I have recently learned of the passing of Jim Haas. Jim was always a ray of sunshine. One of his greatest joys was instructing kids on railroad safety and operations over at the Klamath and Western Railroad. He would draw the attention of the kids with his big deep voice and teach them what he could, then the lucky ones would be allowed to drive his loco up and down a spur in the yard. Jim will be missed by many and has left his mark on those of us that new him. Our thoughts are with Jim's family.

I just talked to Paul Aragon. He has received his radiation report and it has worked so things are going as hoped. Paul has had his first chemo treatment and will get a second next week. Who knows what will happen, but with Paul's attitude and support from all of his family and us, he will overcome this. Kay and I stopped in to see him and he looked great. Hang in there Paul, we are all cheering for you.

Everyone is busy raking and hauling pine needles and cones so the track can be opened for fire-free operation. When you come and have some time, we can sure use your help on this project.

Let's get started on a wonderful season of railroading fun. We're hoping to see you and to get some nice warm weather soon. What's better than a nice day at Train Mountain?

Talk to you soon

Ross Perrin, General Manager

THE TENDER HALF

I've had some pretty special help this month in the store...all of them men!!!!!! Just goes to show you what



character Train Mountain members are made of. Lee Breuer, Bill Dobbs and David Topham have been committed to helping where ever they were needed. They built and installed new shelves, helped get electricity to one of our window displays and even helped fold our new shirts....thanks guys!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

We've been talking about several fundraising ideas since our very successful Holiday Express this past December. The locals gathered one recent Sunday and have decided to press forward with a Community Day/Swap Meet idea. The plans and date are tentative at this point, but we are thinking a one day event on August 7th.

The general idea is to have spaces available to rent for vendors or even just families wishing to sell their items. ...train rides, of course....sell snacks & food (a BBQ idea has come up) as well as bring public awareness to Train Mountain. Train Mountain would have its own selling table and the store would be open. So if you have things you would like to donate, please keep us in mind. This event will also take lots of extra people for security, train rides and general stewardship for Train Mountain. If you can arrange to be here during this event, we would very much appreciate it. We do have an email forum that keeps participating members in communication and Alma puts the minutes from our meetings on it. If you would like to be a part of that please email Russ Wood: Russ@hobby-tronics.com and he will email you an invitation to join the forum.

The jackets are in and they are GREAT!!! I think they are going to be perfect for evenings at Train Mountain. If you are picking yours up, please come see me in the store. Hopefully all shipped jackets will go out Monday, May 10th. There seems to be interest in having another order run. I need to have about 20 or more to make it worthwhile. You can email me at store@trainmountain.org or there are signup sheets in the office and Hall of Flags.

Lee and Toni Brooks have shared a picture of their new shop sink. The back-splash is made with an arrangement of our railroad ties. Pretty cool, huh? Just think of the possibilities. Remember that we have a very nice selection in the store, but you can also have them custom made with your own pictures.



In the store and on the website you will find a couple of new items. There are 2 new shirts that have Train Mountain Railroad Museum on the sleeve. They are displayed on the ad page by Dale and Veronica Taylor. They are



similar to the ones we had before, but different designs. I have not put the news cups on the website yet....I simply haven't had time to get a picture of each one yet. Please stop in to see them and the great display shelf Lee Breuer made.

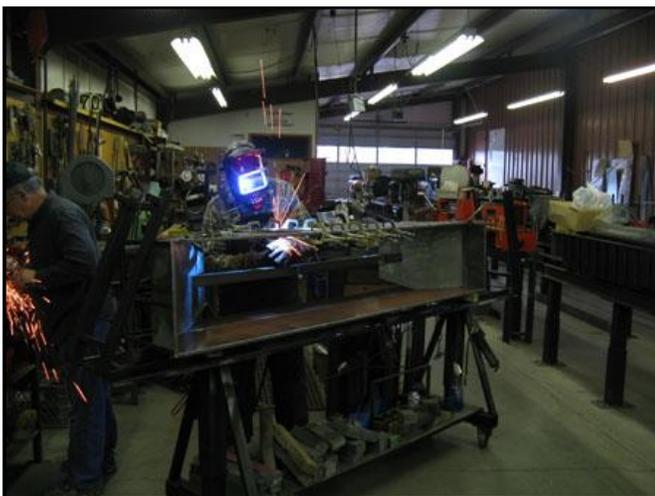
I also have a new item that many of you may remember your parents or grandparents having. It is the perfect gift for the train lover that already has everything. It's a steam train pie vent...Bill Dobbs assures me that the steam comes out of the right hole. (Yes Twila and Boyd...it does say "Boyd Special").

Our local members Chris and Michelle Kuehl are going to be driving across country mid July. They welcome your suggestions on any "must see" places

they should visit on their trip. If you would like to recommend something, please email me at store@trainmountain.org. We'll pass your suggestions along to them and put them in the newsletter ...perhaps others could use the tips as well.

TTFN,

Kay Perrin



They worked so hard they made sparks fly!

OPERATIONS MEET 2010

Ops Meet is just around the bend – Julie Knight



In case you haven't checked your 2010 meet schedule, the Ops meet is just around the corner. We are already starting to plan for the 6th Annual Operations Meet, June 26th thru July 4th, where we play like the "big boys" on our very own railroad. With last month's Gazette article John Lovely started us off with some enhancements he is implementing into our passenger train format during this year's Ops meet.

I will be checking in with those members that so generously have allowed us to use their rolling stock during previous Ops meets to see if we can again include them in this year's inventory of cars to be switched. We can always use more cars in our operations, so if you have any that you would like to include, please send me an email with the car(s) specifications and I'll get them into the roster. We have learned from experience that we need to have access to these cars no later than Thursday morning to get them sorted, placed and ready for Friday's activities.

We have always had a great group of volunteers to help with pre and post operations "set outs" and "wrangling" of cars – in fact some say that it is as much fun as the meet itself. Please come early and help with "pre" operations.

Hope to see you all there!!

Julie Knight – Julie@crto.net

BITS & PIECES

Birthday wishes for this issue go out to Art Crisp, Dennis Ward and to all our other members and friends who will be celebrating another year of life during the next 30 days.

Caroline Jones has finalized plans for the Memorial for Ron Young. It will be held in the Hall of Flags on Friday, June 4 at 5:00 p.m. Debra Cox will cater a lasagna dinner, which will also include a fruit bowl and cake. Please let Alma know as soon as possible if you plan to attend, so she can give a count to Caroline and Debra.

Ross mentioned Kitsap's lightbulb art; what he didn't mention was their shower art.

My thanks to the Kitsap group for carrying my camera around and taking pictures of their week for me.

Our thanks to Steve & Pam Panzik and John Wheelock for representing Train Mountain at the Amtrak Station on National Train Day, Saturday, May 8.

We aren't including the List of Projects because during summer months we have so many people coming and going and working on things while they're here, it's impossible to keep it up. The projects needing attention will be listed on the White Board in the Hall of Flags when you arrive for work weeks.



Enjoy your lives; it's the only one you get. *Carel*



Bert Newberry testing his new invention.

Another container arriving



Track Restrictions:

Effective immediately, all track north of South Chiloquin Road is closed to steam powered equipment not powered by propane.

This limitation will remain in effect until the Oregon Department of Forestry announces the end of the Fire Season on <http://www.chiloquinfire.com>. This interim 2010 rule is adopted while TM, Timberlake, and Friends work out a more detailed fire policy. The closure prior to the beginning of ODF's Fire Season (normally June 1) is based on ODF's advice that there is an elevated fire risk during the dry period prior to green-up. There is a lack of consensus on when that dry period starts and ends.

The boards of the 3 organizations and the board that administers the track license through Timberlake have all agreed on this as the **2010** rule. I have spoken this morning with Ross and Greg at TM, and Fred at Timberlake to confirm this.

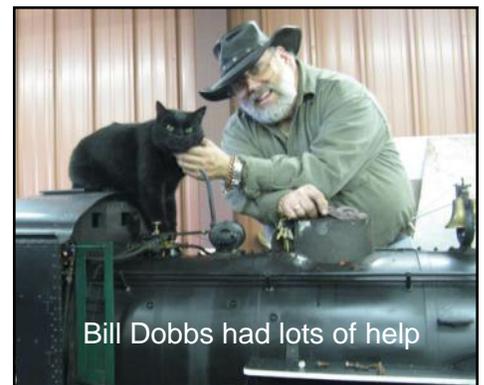
Greg Petersen on the TM board wants to allow all steam engines to operate north of South Chiloquin Road when everything is wet or covered by snow and when adequate fire watches have been organized and staffed. This will require a written rule that defines how we determine when everything is wet enough, how the trains are operated, at what times, what fire watches will be kept, by whom, from where, who will take what responsibilities, how it would be enforced, etc. Friends and Timberlake are looking to Greg and Train Mountain to propose simple and workable language. Friends and Timberlake commit to carefully considering this language. Until it is approved by all boards, the closure is in effect.

All of the boards recognize this is a difficult issue, but everyone recognizes that if the forest were to burn, Train Mountain and the surrounding property owners would suffer a terrible loss. We choose to be cautious.

John Black, FTM



**Kitsap Week
2010**



Please get your meat choice to Alma 1 week prior to banquet

June Meet Banquet

Saturday, June 5, 2010

- Stuffed Chicken Breast **OR** Tri-Tip
- Garlic Mashed Potatoes
- Pistachio Pudding Salad
- Marinated Tomato & Cucumber
- Cheesecake
- Mocha Chocolate Cake

Operations Meet Banquet

Saturday, July 3, 2010

- Grilled Chicken Breast **OR** Country Pork Ribs
- Rice Pilaf and Ranch-Style Beans
- Corn on the Cob
- Cornbread w/Honey Butter
- Fresh Fruit Salad
- Berry Crisp
- Cheesecake

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MEMORIAL DAY MEET of 2010 SCHEDULE

The who, the what, and the where!

The following volunteer dinners/events are provided by and funded by local members. You will be guests in their homes, please act accordingly. Help the Hosts and Hostesses by signing up for those dinners you wish to attend. These nice folks need to know how many are

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
Sat, May 29th	9:00 AM	Begin Work Week , which runs through Thursday, June 3rd at 4:30 PM
Sat, May 30th	6:00 PM	Recognition Dinner for all volunteers who arrive early for Work Week. Host: Sharon Breen Location Central Station.
Sun, May 30th	10:00 AM 3:00 PM	Klamath and Western , Public Rides Beanery CLOSED
Mon, May 31st	10:00 AM 3:00 PM	Klamath and Western , Public Rides Beanery CLOSED
Mon, May 31st	6:00 pm	Recognition Dinner for all volunteers Hosts: Mort and Dennis Ediger Location Central Station
Tues, June 1st	6:00 pm	Recognition Dinner for all volunteers Hosts Barbara and Dennis Ward—Directions to their home at the office.
Wed, June 2nd	3:00 pm	Summer Fling Meeting Hall of Flags – All members welcome
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Thurs, June 3rd	1:00 to 4:00 pm	Chiloquilters Sewing Social. Sewers/Crafters/all who are interested will meet in Central Station, show and tell, beginners welcome.
Thurs, June 3rd	4:00 pm	Work Week ends
Thurs, June 3rd	6:00 PM	Cook it Yourself Hot Dog/Hamburger Barbecue for all volunteers Host Bert Newberry- SEE NOTES.
Fri, June 4th	9:00 AM	First 2010 Train Mountain Train Meet begins , which runs through Sunday. Company Store open Saturday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.
Fri, June 4th	5:00 PM	Memorial Dinner for Ron Young, Hall of Flags.
Sat, June 5th	6:00 PM	Train Mountain Banquet , held at Central Station, tickets available online at www.TrainMountain.org or 541-783-3030. See menu on page 1
Sun, June 6th	10:00 AM 3:00 PM	Klamath and Western , Public Rides Beanery CLOSED
Sun, June 6th	4:00 PM	The First 2010 Meet ends.

HAVE SOMETHING YOU WANT TO SELL?

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_____	RD712-02A	PLYMOUTH SWITCHER GREEN 12V DC, GAUGE 7.5"	\$ 3,500.00
_____	RD712-02B	PLYMOUTH SWITCHER GREEN, 12V DC, GAUGE 7.25"	\$ 3,500.00

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2010 WORK WEEK AND TRAIN MEET SCHEDULE

Polar Bear Train Meet

Friday, January 15—Sunday, January 17, 2010
(Banquet is 6:00 Saturday Evening)

****NARROW GAUGE WORK WEEK****

Monday May 10—Thursday, May 13, 2010

Narrow Gauge Train Meet

Friday, May 14—Sunday, May 16, 2010
(Banquet is 6:00 Saturday Evening)

June Work Week

Saturday, May 29—Thursday, June 3, 2010

June Train Meet

Friday, June 4—Sunday, June 6, 2010
(Banquet is 6:00 Saturday Evening)

Operations Meet Work Week (formerly July Meet)

Saturday, June 26—Thursday, July 1, 2010

Operations Meet

Friday, July 2—Sunday July 4, 2010
(Banquet is 6:00 Saturday Evening)

August Meet Work Week

Saturday, August 7—Thursday, August 12, 2010

August Meet

Friday, August 13—Sunday, August 15, 2010
(Banquet is 6:00 Saturday Evening)

September Work Week

Saturday, Sept. 4—Thursday, Sept. 9, 2010

September Train Meet

Friday, Sept 10—Sunday, Sept 12, 2010
(Banquet is 6:00 Saturday Evening)

Fall Colors Train Meet

Friday, October 8—Sunday, October 10, 2010
(Banquet is 6:00 Saturday Evening)