

Tucson Garden Railway Society

TIMETABLES

May 16,2002

Submissions are requested for the TGRS Newsletter in the categories of RailRoad News and Tech-Notes. Articles should be submitted by $May\ 28,\ 2002$, send submissions to:

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May Round-A-Bout and Meeting

Where: Loval and Marty Hart's Home

7921 E Scarlett

Info: The meeting will be at the Hart to Hart Railroad

at 2:30pm. Call 298-4006 for directions.

Dates: May 18, 2002 From 1000 till 1400

Instructions: go south from Pantano and Broadway on

Pantano. Scarlett is a Left(east).



Editor's Notes by Nick Buchholz

With the County Fair over roll into the TGRS Round-A-Bout leading into the next meeting. We have a listing of the Railroads in this issue. Remember the minutes of the March meeting were in the April Newsletter. Please review them before the meeting.

The Fair Train was won by Robert Rankin. It was his third attempt to win the Raffle. Congratulations

May Meeting Round-A-Bout

The May meeting will be proceeded by a Round-A-Bout. You may enjoy each layout at your leisure from about 10:00am to 2:00pm. The meeting will be at the Hart to Hart Railroad at 2:30pm. The farthest layout to the East is the Double K. The Blackwell's and Springstead's are centrally located and the rest are bunched around Speedway, Camino Seco and Pantano. If you get lost call the Harts at 298-4006.

ROCK BOTTOM RAILWAY: (Barry & Gina Blackwell, 4042 E Cooper St.) Work began on the Rock Bottom Railway approximately 2 and a half years ago. (Rock Bottom pertains to both the terrain and the financial condition of the railway.) At present there are 250 feet of main line, 80 feet of trolley line, and about 40 feet of upper loop (One Track Mine). The upper loop has been running for 6 months. The main line was traversed for the first time on 04/19/02. The trolley line is still under construction. A waterfall (thanks to "tor"mentor, Gary Martin) and a stream are in operation. Scenic and most structures are but a dream at this point.

THE J & P CACTUS CANYON RAILWAY: (Jerry & Pat Springstead, 5542 E. Kelso St.) Plans for our railroad started in December, 1998. It spans more than 325 feet of track which consists of an outer oval loop with a figure eight inner track. It is a 1930's western layout. There is a desert community at the base of a mountain, a large waterfall and a canyon with a bridge, a trestle and an alpine lodge in pine trees. Cactus plants are used in the flatlands. The railroad uses track power and a remote control by Aristocraft's train engineer.

BILMAR RAILROAD: (Bill and MaryAnn Fabbri, 8901 E McClellan) Excellent use of small area. This railroad runs next to the pool along the wall. It contains a single loop with a mountain waterfall, switchyard and great engine house.

MILLER LIVE STEAM: (Jim and Elaine and Angela Miller, 8132 E Baker) The Society's only live steam layout. It is impressive. Be prepared for a great steam-up)

TNT RAILROAD: Rick, Sue, Tim, Ted and Krista Gast, 7751 E Fairmount) A beautiful layout at one end of the pool. Trestles to die for, trains move up and down nestled in the palms near the pool.

DOUBLE K RAILROAD: (Ken and Mary Karrels, 3930 N Smokey Topaz) In among the towering trees a wonderful variety of towns, trains, scenes. This railroad is in the backyard of the Double K Ranch Bed & Breakfast. A real caboose sits in the back of the lot with it's own track for visiting railfans.

HART TO HART RAILROAD: (Loyal and Marty Hart, 7921 E Scarlett) A German theme layout at one end goes through a switching section to the Denver Rio Grande Western Railroad at the other end of the U-shape. Approximately 400 feet of track in five loops (including a raised town) traverse from the Alps to the Rockies. Included are castles, birdhouses in an apple orchard (painted on the wall), farm, mine and Indian settlement. This is an AWNUTS railroad (Always Whimsical, Not Usually To Scale).

The Tucson Garden Railway Society is a non-profit corporation incorporated in Pima County, Arizona. Society members are interested in all areas of garden and modular large scale model railroading. We welcome new members and hope you will consider joining. Members help each other build layouts and learn about railroading and modeling.

The TGRS dues are \$30.00 per year and are due on June 30th of each year. For new members dues are prorated at \$2.50 per month remaining in the year until June 30th plus a \$15.00 initiation fee, the first year. Additional name badges cost \$1.00 for each badge after the first.

If you are interested in the TGRS please contact one of the officers at the phone number listed in the Calendar section below. If you just *have* to join immediately, send a check and your name, address and telephone number and the names for any additional badges to:

Jan Lathrem, 1750 West Tangerine Rd. Tucson, AZ 85737

CALENDAR

May 11 - Special Phoenix/Tucson Round-about - details under development

May 18 - TGRS Round-about and Monthly Meeting -

June 5-9 - Queen Mary Train Show June 20-22 American Home Show

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