



The Tucson Garden Railway Society

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NO MEETINGS IN
JULY OR AUGUST

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES UPDATE

By Chuck Cook

We had a nice time at the June luncheon.



A couple of our friends from the TTOS-Gadsden Pacific joined us so we got the scoop on what they are working on while they are closed for the summer. It was news to me that they are working on an outdoor G scale layout.

The next luncheon is July 21st. Come early to shoot some pool, no rules, just fun on the felt.



The place is The Red Garter Saloon, located at 3143 E. Speedway just east of Country Club. Pool at 11:00 a.m., or be there at noon for lunch. Call Chuck Cook at 977-7673 with any questions.



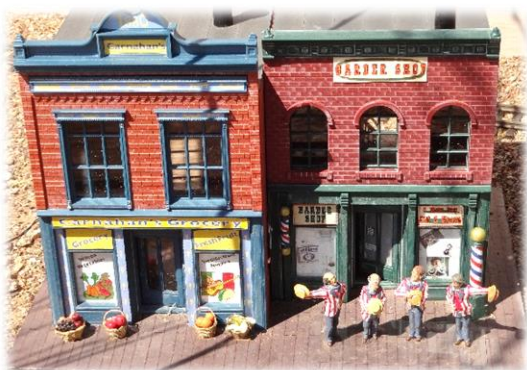
TGRS GOES TO THE DIAMONDBACKS

By Chuck Cook

Everyone had a great time last summer with our trip to PHX to see the Arizona Diamondbacks. This year the trip is going to be much easier as the group will be taking the bus to the game. You can also form your own carpools if you wish. The Diamondback Express is \$25/person round trip. If it is like years past; you can take food and drink on the bus and leave a cooler on the bus for the return trip also. Mark your calendars now for October 2nd and I will put some details in next month's newsletter.

General Meeting June 11, 2016

The meeting was called to order by the President, Glenn Mitchell at 10 AM at Willis and Dottie Fagg's home.



They were thanked for hosting and for the refreshments provided. There were 27 attendees present.



There were no guests or new members.

The minutes of the May meeting were approved as published.

Ruth Taylor presented the Treasurer's Report: Total on deposit, \$25,303; Revenues from 05/14/16, \$445 and there were no expenses reported. The 2015/16 year-to-date recap: Revenues: \$7,362; expenses \$7,139 (net revenue \$223). Dues paid for 2016/17: \$240.

Vice-President's Report (Willis Fagg):

- The next general meeting will be September 24 at the Forgues home to be preceded by the Board meeting on 09/08 at the Martins. All other meeting locations, dates and times can be found on the Calendar of Events on the TGRS website.
- The June Swap Meet went well. He reminded those volunteering to help with the Summer Christmas event at the Diamond Children's Center that the start time is 09:30 am. The upcoming Social events will be June 16 and July 21 at the Red Garter. The trip to the Diamondbacks game is slated for October 2 with the possibility of a bus available from Tucson. More information will follow. Future Swap Meets are scheduled for November 11-12 and January 13-14. The VA hospital display is slated for December 26 (set-up) through 12/30. The ABTO tour is tentatively set for March 11 (Tucson). Willis has also set up a planning meeting with Julia for the next Pima County Fair. There are some issues under discussion (i.e. staffing) concerning whether TGRS will be able to participate in the January Home Show.

Committee Reports:

- Membership is holding at 78.
- The Website is doing very well with no issues.
- The Vice President covered the upcoming social events in his report.

Old Business:

- Tucson Children's Museum – a lantern has been added; updating is in progress.
- Rodeo Parade Museum – working to fill in open space with cactus; Gary Martin is working on a station.

General Meeting Minutes (cont'd)

- Diamond Children's Center – coupler has been replaced; otherwise doing OK.
- Tucson Botanical Gardens – there are the usual maintenance issues. Bob and Jackie Conrad have become the primary caretakers and are very much appreciated for it. Gary stated that there is always a lot of seasonal debris to be removed and that the layout needs re-ballasting. He is encouraging members to “adopt a building” if possible. Stop by and choose one to take home for repair, repainting, etc.
- Trolley re-hab is badly needed on the modular layout. There will be future discussion (via email?) regarding this and other pending layout issues.

New Business:

- Willis and Dottie had a display of the railroad cars their grandsons made (with a little help) as a surprise for their 50th Wedding Anniversary.



- Some suggestions were made regarding possible future social outings: they included group tours of the Franklin Automobile Museum, the Mini Time Machine Museum, and the Rodeo Parade Museum.
- Rails in the Garden 2017 needs a chairperson.
- It has been requested that the boxes with club registration sheets, general club information, etc. be placed in the small trailer with the children's layout.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37, but was followed by Dr. Ellyn Biggs of Little Bit's.



She brought with her several miniatures that were for sale. She is willing to make them to order and to also make repairs to any existing buildings or scenes.

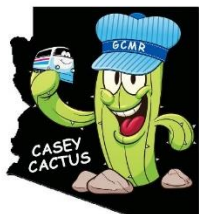


She lives in Oracle but can be reached at 305-528-4342 or drbiggs1@hotmail.com

Respectfully submitted,
Gina Blackwell

NOTE: SEE EXAMPLES OF ELLYN'S WORK ON THE SADDLEBROOKERANCH WEB SITE.

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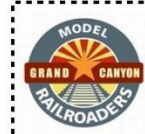


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TGRS LENDING LIBRARY

By Claudia Nelson

More content has been added to the lending library. If you have anything you have that you think other members might like to ‘check out’, just send me the specifications and I’ll add it to our [TGRS lending library](#) inventory.

SIDETRACKED

By Claudia Nelson

Katoomba Scenic Railway



When David and I visited Sydney, Australia in 1986, we took this cog railway and had a great time. I’m glad to see it’s still there and operational.

It's the steepest railway in the world (Guinness Book of Records), and originally part of the Katoomba mining tramways constructed between 1878 and 1900.

The funicular railway line descends through sandstone cliffs, via a rock tunnel beside Orphan Rock, then emerges to spectacular views and lush fern-filled rainforest.

Trivia Corner

Courtesy of Jerry Wilson

BELT LINE: A railroad with trackage within and/or around a city, operating as a pickup, delivery, and transfer facility for truck lines and industrial plants.

Now ‘belt line’ can refer to roads, trails, and even neighborhoods, e.g., Oregon Route 569, The Belt Line Road (around Dallas), BeltLine Atlanta, or Beltline Calgary (a neighborhood).

Calendar

Thursday, September 8, 2016

BOD Meeting – Martin

Saturday, September 24, 2016

General Meeting – Forgues

Thursday, October 6, 2016

BOD Meeting – Mitchell

Saturday, October 15, 2016

General Meeting– Clark

Thursday, November 3, 2016

BOD Meeting – Mitchell

Friday-Saturday, November 11-12, 2016

Gadsden Pacific Swap Meet

Saturday, November 12, 2016

Martin Open House & General Meeting –
Martin

Saturday, December 3, 2016

General Meeting & Luncheon – Golden
Corral

Thursday, January 12, 2017

BOD Meeting – Mitchell

Friday-Saturday, January 13-14, 2017

Gadsden Pacific Swap Meet

Saturday, January 21, 2017

General Meeting – Averill

Thursday, February 9, 2017

BOD Meeting – Mitchell

Saturday, February 11, 2017

General Meeting – RCW

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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 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 pro-rated at \$2.50 per month remaining in the year until June 30th, 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 e-mails listed below. If you wish to join immediately, send a check and your name, address and telephone number and the names for any additional badges to:

Jerry Tulino

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