



The Tucson Garden Railway Society

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TGRS General Meeting 24 September 2016 Jack and Rosalie Forgues

Address: 61786 E. Sandlewood Rd
Phone: 520-818-9598
Trains run @ 9:00am – Meeting @ 10:00am

Directions to Jack and Rosalie Forgues home in SaddleBrooke: Drive north on Oracle Road (RT. 77) through the town of Catalina. Turn **right** onto SaddleBrooke Blvd. at the signal. As you come over the hill, turn **right** onto Mountainview Blvd. Just past the tennis courts turn **right** onto Clubhouse Drive. Follow Clubhouse Drive to Northwood Road, turn **right** and continue to Winding Trail Drive. Turn **left** onto Winding Trail Drive, continue to Sandlewood Road. Turn **left** onto Sandlewood Road and continue down the street. Our home is on the left side of the street.

QUAIL RIDGE RAILROAD

The **QRRR** came into existence in April of 2006, when we moved into our new home in SaddleBrooke. Rosalie and I decided that it would be easier to have elevated railroad that would work with our landscaping plan. After two attempts at building the elevated railroad, we added elevated pads and a new rock canyon to our existing landscaping. Our new track plan

consists of two independent loops with a switch yard for each loop. The layout time period is the early 1950's to the late 1980's, with about 700 feet of track and 25 switches.



Eaglewings Iron Works made the first structure for the **QRRR**. The three story high mine is located at the entrance to the railroad. We have added additional buildings made by Madelyn Cook to the layout. We run both steam and diesel locomotives on the **QRRR**. I have my Steam Locomotives and Rosalie has her Diesel Locomotives.



IT'S TIME TO PAY YOUR 2016-17 DUES!

PLEASE SEND YOUR \$30 CHECK TO:

Ruth Taylor
4081 S. Tarantula Hawk Place
Tucson, AZ 85735

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES UPDATE

By Chuck Cook

The next luncheon is Thursday Sept 15th. The place is [The Red Garter Saloon](#), located at 3143 E. Speedway just east of Country Club. The food is always great, the service pleasant, and the conversation varied and fun. Come Join Us. No pool this time, be there around 11:30 for lunch. Call Chuck Cook at 977-7673 with any questions

TGRS GOES TO THE DIAMONDBACKS

By Chuck Cook

A group of us will be headed to Phoenix to close out the 2016 baseball season by watching our Diamondbacks in action. The date is Sunday October 2nd. I have postponed the group ticket purchase until Sept 10th, so you still have a chance to join in. Second, some of us will be taking the Diamondbacks Express (1-602-514-8400 option 1) to the game. I am not sure if there is any seating available on the bus as I write this. Getting a seat on the bus is up to each individual(s) and is separate from our plan of getting all our game tickets at once so we can all sit together. You must call and pay for your tickets for the bus relatively soon (these are not reservations, you will be charged for the bus when you call). Please let me know by Sept 8th if you want to be included in the group ticket purchase. Call me with any questions. Chuck Cook 520-977-7673

Welcome Back!

I hope all of you had a great midsummer break from our formal club activities. Our regular schedule of meetings starts again this month and our calendar for this year is filling up. This September meeting will be a good time to catch up on all the TGRS news and planned events. We are looking forward to a good turnout!

Even though the club took a break, I know many of you have been involved with train related and modeling projects over the summer. Some members attended the national convention. That is always a great source of inspiration. Some of you have continued to support our on-going projects and a status update would be welcome. If you have a new model, a new technique for doing a project or railroad related information and/or pictures; please bring them to a meeting for "show-and-tell" or plan a presentation for the club. It would be greatly appreciated.

Keep smiling!

Glenn Mitchell

Does anyone know who designed our club logo? While at this year's convention David and I got several comments on our logo and how much it was liked. We'd like to give credit where credit is due...Claudia

Open House Invitation

We are pleased to invite all TGRS members to our annual evening Open House/Buffer/Running of Trains on

Saturday October 22 from 5:00pm to 8pm.
Please RSVP by October 15

This year we will be running multiple trains using the new Railboss 4 trackside and battery radio control systems featuring automated station stops. Also making the rounds will be a beautiful new USA Trains die cast Hudson that has been modified to run on MTH Protosound and Protosmoke using the new MTH smartphone App. Improvements to the railroad include new structures, landscaping and night lighting. And the food will be **GREAT!**

John and Phil

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[Click to see MAP](#)

Trivia Corner

Courtesy of Jerry Wilson

THE FIRST AMERICAN RAILROAD TUNNEL:
The Staple Bend Tunnel located 4 miles east of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, was opened in 1834. The tunnel was 901 feet long.

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TGRS LENDING LIBRARY

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



A neat place we stumbled upon while vacationing in central Idaho, was the [Historic P&IN Depot](#) in New Meadows, Idaho. P&IN stands for Pacific and Idaho Norther Railroad.

The Depot was constructed in 1910 - 1911; at a cost of \$25,000. It was a show place modeled for neatness, convenience and comfort, including a Ladies Waiting Room. It was an operational depot until 1979.

TGRS Officers and Board of Directors

Calendar

Thursday, September 8, 2016
BOD Meeting – Martin

Thursday, September 15, 2016
Social Luncheon – The Red Garter

Saturday, September 24, 2016
General Meeting – Forgues

Sunday, October 2, 2016
Diamondbacks Baseball

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
Open House & General Meeting – Martin

Thursday, December 1, 2016
Board Meeting – Mitchell

Saturday, December 3, 2016
Gen Meeting/Luncheon – Golden Corral

Monday, December 26, 2016
VA Trains - Setup

Tuesday-Thursday, December 27-29, 2016
Run Trains - VA

Friday, December 30, 2016
VA Trains – Tear Down

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

Saturday-Sunday, March 4-5, 2017
Rails in the Garden Tour

Thursday, March 9, 2017
BOD Meeting – Mitchell

Saturday, March 11, 2017
ABTO Tour of Tucson Layouts

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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:

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