

### TIMETABLE

**AUGUST 2022** 

## IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR TGRS MEMBERSHIP - \$30/HOUSEHOLD DUE JULY 1ST (FOR 2022-2023)

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For 2022-2023:
General Meetings will
be held on the 2nd
Saturday of the
month. BOD meetings
will be held
Wednesday prior to
the general meeting.



# Monthly Luncheon

The next social luncheon will be Wednesday, August 24th at 11:15 am at the Red Garter Bar & Grill. Let Chuck know if you plan to attend.

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# Running a Steam Locomotive on John Fennema's Layout

July 16th I had a Live Steam enthusiast come over and run his train. He found me on one of my FB G scale train posts and lives 90 miles away in Sierra Vista, AZ and since there aren't any G scaler's there that I know of, I asked if he'd like to run his trains on my layout. He was unable to run on my entire layout due to a couple of radius issues but was able to run on one loop. Here's the video of his run: <u>Live Steam run</u>











# Conversion of Bachmann Spectrum On30 Shay locomotive to GN15

by Thomas Preisner

We recently moved from New Jersey to Gold Canyon, Arizona, which is a suburb of Phoenix. I have been into GN15 for well over 20 years. GN15 is G-Scale but runs on H0 track (think narrow gauge). It is also strictly for indoors runs. There are quite a few locos and cars for sale now in GN15, but I have wanted a large steam engine for a long time, however the only steam engines commercially made in GN15 are little 0-4-0 engines.

I contacted my friend Rich Perrelli in San Diego, Ca, who is a gifted modeler, and asked him whether he could do a conversion for me. Rich agreed and I purchased a used Bachmann Spectrum On30 Shay locomotive, plus 3 G-Scale engineers which I sent him. I had seen on Facebook a Bachmann On30 Shay locomotive where the owner had cut the cab off and installed a G-Scale engineer. This impressed me but I gave Rich carte blanche to do whatever he thought would look good.

After a few emails and phone calls he had an idea of what he was going to do, and I readily agreed.

You can see Rich's work in the short video he made and the pictures.

Needless to say, I am very very happy.

Thank you Rich!

Youtube video of train and explanation





John Carmichael has written a great article about his layout: "Building a G-Scale Funicular Railway" published in the latest issue (July/August) of GARDEN RAILROADING NEWS (grnews.org)

John's funicular article was also published in the New Zealand Large Scale monthly newsletter: The Garden Whistle



Live steam trains came to life at the 2022 Summer SteamUp in Lodi, California. It was a fun event for G-scale steamers!

Thanks Ron and Helen Koehler for the info and link:

<a href="https://youtu.be/86jErg8jQjA">\https://youtu.be/86jErg8jQjA</a>

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September's BOD meeting will be Wednesday, September 7th, 1:00pm at the Martins'.

#### **Fall General Meetings**

| = Train Ticket  | <b>⇒</b> Train Ticket        |
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| September 10th - TBG (Ed Room)                          | 9:00 am                      |
| October 8th - Koehlers'                                 | Trains 9:00<br>Meeting 10:00 |
| November 12th - Oracle Kids'<br>Garden - Craig Anderson | Trains 9:00<br>Meeting 10:00 |





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- The custom code is **AZGRC10**
- The code is good on any item in our store there are no restrictions.
- Members may use the code as many times as they like up until 12/31/22 (we can issue a new code for 2023).
- Minimum order is \$25 to use the code (we accept orders below this value, but the code will not be able to be used).
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of John Fennema. Train sites and newsletter article courtesy of Thomas Preisner. GRNews article courtesy of John Carmichael. SteamUp link courtesy of Ron Koehler.

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The Tucson Garden Railway Society is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit 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 per household 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 per badge. If you are interested in TGRS please contact one of the officers at the e-mails listed above. 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, 6911 E. Baker, Tucson, AZ 85710. Membership application link is belos:

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