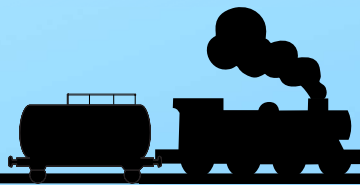




TIMETABLE

MAY 2023



GENERAL MEETING MAY 13

GADSDEN-PACIFIC TOY TRAIN
OPERATING MUSEUM
3975 N. MILLER ST
MUSEUM OPEN @ 10:00 AM
MEETING @ 11:00 AM

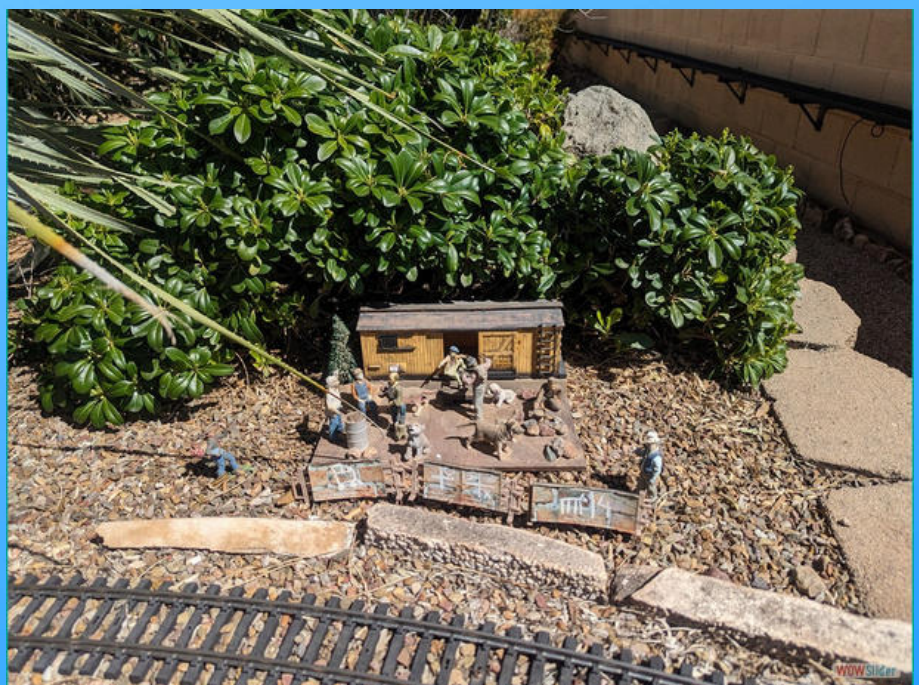


April Meeting Photos at Bruce Somerhalder's



Bruce started his layout in about 2008 and worked on it with his wife Pat until she passed away.

Bruce's open house during Rails in the Garden spurred John Fennema to join the club!





Pima County Fair



We got a donated sign from Jeff Eppley whose only requirement was that we display it prominently.



Even adults loved the Scavenger Hunt!



Bob & 'friend' watching the trains pass overhead



New Children's Layout a Hit at the Fair



**BIG
SALE**

**Peggy Martin will be selling
Gary's trains and buildings**

Friday, May 5th: 10 am - 4 pm

Saturday, May 6th: 10 am - 4 pm

*Mark
YOUR
Calendar*

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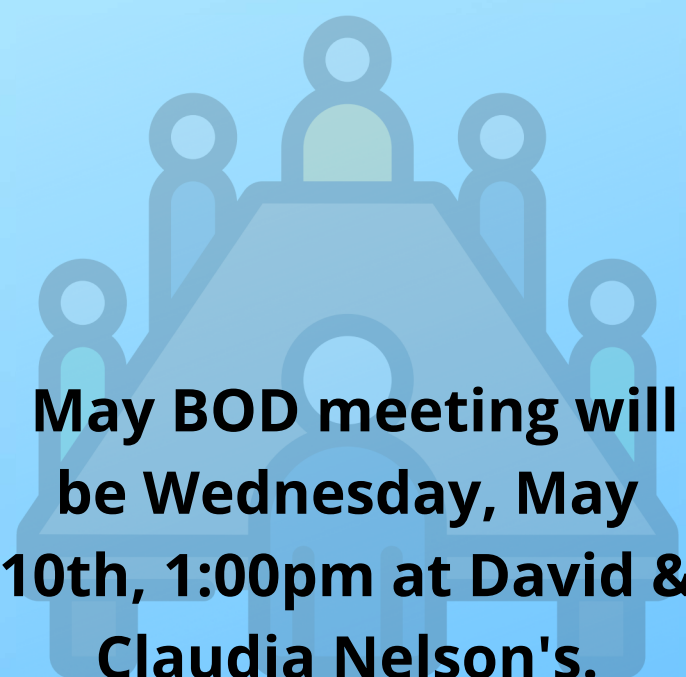
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**May BOD meeting will
be Wednesday, May
10th, 1:00pm at David &
Claudia Nelson's.**

Remaining 2022-2023 Meetings

Train Ticket

⇒ Train Ticket

May 13th - Gadsen-Pacific TTOM

Trains 10:00

Meeting 11:00



- **May 5-6 - Peggy Martin Train Sale**
- **May 10 - BOD Meeting (Nelson)**
- **May 13 - General Meeting (GPTTOM)**
- **May 25 - Social Luncheon**
- **June 7 - BOD Meeting (Nelson)**
- **June 28 - Social Luncheon**
- **July 26 - Social Luncheon**
- **August 23 - Social Luncheon**



Links of Interest

May issue of [The Garden Whistle](#) from the Christchurch Garden Railway Group and features news from various G scale Groups in New Zealand.

[The HOBBYISTS](#)

Park & Swap Meet
6 May 2023
7:00 - 9:45 am
1764 W Broadway Rd.
Mesa, AZ.85202

[ARHS Model Train](#)

[Swap Meet](#)

Saturday, May 13th
9:00AM
Glendale Christian Church
9661 N. 59th Ave
Glendale, AZ

Mads Phikamphon, a friend of Thomas Preisner has developed a website to compare model train prices across 900+ shops, including 141 shops in the US.
[Compare Model Train Prices](#)

Very cool YouTube video from Jeff Damerst via Thomas Preisner
[HUGE Backyard Garden Railroad \(G Scale\) PLUS Lionel O Scale Chicago Layout](#)



TRAIN DAY

at the **Southern Arizona Transportation Museum**

**414 N. Toole Ave.
Next to the Amtrak Depot**

520.623.2223

TucsonHistoricDepot.org



**Saturday, May 13, 2023
10am - 12pm**

FREE Family Fun!

Model trains on display • Visit the Locomotive #1673

Children's Activities • Raffle Tickets from Jim Click Millions for Tucson

Model Train Information • Garden and N Gauge • Operation Lifesaver

*The Southern Comfort Band
playing bluegrass and old-time country music*



Las Donas



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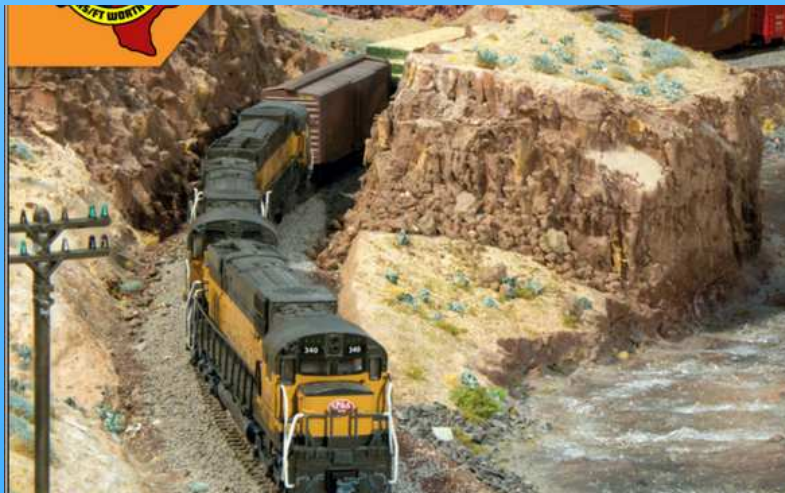
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Grand Canyon Special 2023 Convention
Hosted by the AZ Division of the NMRA PSR
June 7 - 10, 2023 in Flagstaff, Arizona



SUPERCHARGED - HIGH SPEED
**TEXAS
EXPRESS**

The 2023 NMRA
National Convention



August 20-26

DALLAS/FORT WORTH, TEXAS
CAYLOR TEXAN RESORT, GRAPEVINE

SIDE TRACKED

This is a short column highlighting train-related sites or information. I welcome any photos and short descriptions.



Have you checked out the logo on our locomotive running during the fair? I thought it had our club logo with "Tucson Garden Railway Society". But it has "Tucson Grande & Rillito Southwest" as the name. It seems that many moons ago our club had a contest to name the train and that was the winner.

It's amazing what you'll learn reading old newsletters!



WANTED



**Member willing to
take on the role of
club President???**



**We are still missing
another at large
board member. If
you're interested,
contact John or
Claudia.**



TUCSON GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY

General Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2023

Bruce Somerhalder's layout

26 club members signed the attendance sheet

We had two visitors – Bill Erwin– a friend of Bob Averill who models N scale, and Klaus Pietrczak – a friend of Thomas Preisner who currently models HO scale.

Club treasurer, Margaret Torres Nelson, reported a balance \$19,250.85 in checking and savings, with a net for the year of -\$386.14. The board has also approved a \$225 donation to Gadsden Pacific for the meeting they are hosting in May.

We took in \$2300 in donations at Rails in the Garden, and will pass along \$1500 to Community Food Bank, with the \$800 remainder making up these deficits.

Webmaster, Jerry Tulino, reports that our email service will no longer be free, but we can activate it for one month in January to send our RITG reminder, then de-activate. This will cut our expense to \$25/year for their services handling bounced emails, unsubscribe requests, and bulk distribution.

Vice President, John Fennema, starts with a call for a new president. Many thanks to Dennis Mahar for his service, but he's moving to Texas and has resigned the position.

We had 3414 visitors to Rails in the Garden, this year. That's about 800 more than last year. \$2300 donated at RITG, with the club giving \$1500 to Community Food Bank, and retaining \$800 for expenses this year.

We still have slots to fill for the Pima County Fair at the end of April.

We are short of staffing for hosting a Ronald McDonald house dinner in June. The project would be to take the children's layout and serve dinner about 6 on June 7.

Charlie Weesner reports that the TBG layout is getting just over 50 button-pushes per day. We've continued to repair the trolley and had to replace the motor on the main train.

New business:

Next year will be our 20th anniversary of Rails in the Garden. The date will be 1st or 2nd week of March, to avoid the book fair. We are looking at having a raffle to give away a Thomas train set.

Peggy Martin will be hosting a sale of equipment from 10-4 on May 5th and 6th. A partial inventory with photographs can be seen at https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15VyMmWeBIQoYQYLr9qBsINM-Ve0fnt_B0q71odxOL30/edit?usp=share_link ... please click on it, don't try to type it!

The national convention is in Santa Clara, July 2-9.

May 10th will be a board meeting at Nelson's house

May 13th will be our general meeting at Gadsden Pacific, 10 AM to run trains, 11 AM for the meeting.



Thanks to all the volunteers during the Pima County Fair, as well those who helped with setup and tear down, and to Ann Winter for the great scavenger hunts and prizes. Also, to Thomas Preisner for all his helpful links.

The Timetable is published monthly by the Tucson Garden Railway Society and features news, photos, and articles from club members in Southern Arizona.

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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 below:

[TGRS Membership Application](#)