

TIMETABLE



Sep 17 BOD Meeting at Claudia's

Sep 20 General Meeting?

Dues are due the 1st of July

Please send checks to Margaret

Don't forget

Links of Interest

Railroad books

The Train Shop UK

EUROPEAN TRAIN ENTHUSIASTS

Thanks to Thomas for these links

Whats on your workbench



Charlies Staging Yard

From Steve Debord

I have a couple of projects in work that I alternate between them to break up the build cycle. One of them is a set of fire cars and the other is a set of two Strained Beam Truss Bridge.

This email will cover the fire cars part 1, I'll also send you part 2 and part 3. These emails explain the path from idea to cad design to fabrication of 3D printed, wood, brass components, and the modification of the two AMS tank cars.

I hope this is something that would be interesting to our club members.

Back in March Charlie had sent me pictures of his HO scale fire train and that spark my interest.

So I searched the internet for anything I could find on fire trains.

I found a bit on the SP fire trains #2248, #2252. EJ (Blue Flag Model Trains) had SP #2252 in HO brass and had a book (Southern Pacific Maintenance of Way), this book has a chapter on water tank cars /fire trains.

EJ put me in touch with Arizona Hobbies who had the book in stock. This gave me a lot of information on fire trains in general.

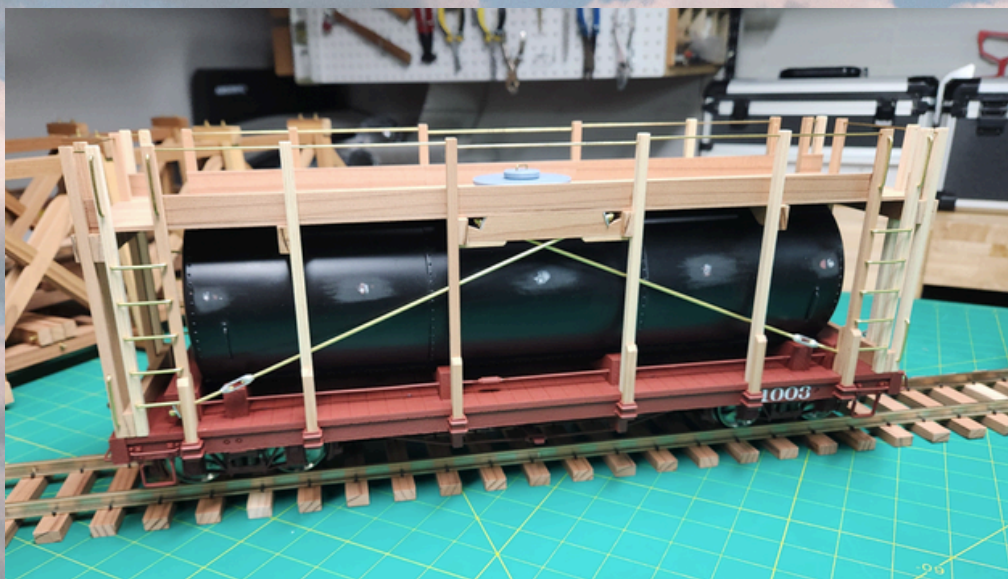
Having converted an AMS (Accucraft) oil tank car into a battery car I looked at the possibility of converting two AMS tank cars into fire train water tank cars. I next CAD (Computer Aided Design) modeled the AMS tank car in SolidWorks and was able to fine tune the conversion into something resembling a SP fire water tank car.

And so it started.

It's not prototypical, so I've taken a lot of creative license. For me it's a fun thing to do.

Haven't decided rather to paint D&RGW Boxcar Red or MOW Gray, still working that out.

Watch for full article with many pictures in the future



No Minutes for July as we had no meetings



Social Luncheon on the 23th of July

French toast, shrimp, salads and burgers

The wonderful food at Laverna's Coffee Shop was enjoyed by 16 happy club members. The "party room" was setup and waiting for us. Our waitress was efficient and all orders (both breakfast and lunch) were prepared and served as requested. A "shout out" to Laverna's and their staff.

The conversation was lively and covered a wide range of subjects. A post-luncheon tour of the SASME facility was offered and accepted by a few of the attendees. Next month's location will provide us with "Texas style" Bar-B-Que. Email notification will be sent out soon.

From Jerry Tulino

All Gauges Tucson Model Train Swap Meet

Sunday, November 9th, 2025 | 10:00 am–2:00 pm
at the
Gadsden Pacific Division Toy Train Operating Museum
3975 N. Miller Ave, Tucson



Free Admission!

Come check out 70+ tables of
trains, toys, and collectibles.

The GPD Museum will be open
during this time with *free admission!*



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**The next scheduled
BOD meeting will be
on Sep 17, 2025
@ Nelsons'**

2025 Fall Meetings

Train Ticket

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**Sep 20 general meeting TBA
looking for an indoor meeting place**

⇒ Train Ticket





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