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The New Sidewalk

Next Meeting: April 2, 2018 7pm Poddle Dog, Fife

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Happy Birthdays to

March Birthdays – Ethan Heston (March 4th), Don Rogers (March 11th), Louise Deffley (March 14th), Russell Dunn (March 23rd), March 29th (Garrett Zimmerman)

April Birthdays – George Hoke (April 3rd), Al VonRueden (April 4th), Allyson Frame (April 13th), Don Deffley (April 14th), Ken Kaivo (April 23rd), Pat Rogers (April 23rd), Bob Brown (April 24th), Russ Noe (April 30th)

Please notify us if you have a change of your contact information. The Membership/ Renewal application form is also downloadable from our website www.kitsaplivesteamers.org.

Printable Roster

A complete printable Membership Roster is now available. From the Home Page follow the green menu strip to Membership Directory. Two options are available; the first is a quick search providing phone number and if the member has email, a link. The second option will provide a comprehensive roster including member's mailing address, phone and email. Click on the first line, titled "KLS Membership Roster (date)," and it will automatically load. This can be printed for your future reference, however, you will need a pdf program such as Adobe.

If you would like to have a printed copy sent to you, or there is an error in a listing, please let me know, 253-566-3843 or withane65423@gmail.com. President's 'Message by Tom Huffman

I'm looking forward to this year's run season it should be a blast. We have some big projects on the table this summer. Throw in the run days and we will be stretched to our limit. Remember to sign up as a Superintendent or train crew.

"Thank you"... I can't say it enough, everyone's input keeps this adventure running and into the future.

A Fond Farwell By Cheryl McInnes

This is my last issue, as editor of the KLS Order Board. It is hard to think that it has been 18 years and over 200 issues since I took over the reins of the Order Board. In that time I have had the privilege of meeting some of the nicest people. It seems that KLS attracts only the kindest people. This issue contains some of my favorite pictures, (online only) taken by various people over the past 18 years. Unfortunately may of these members are no longer with us.

Thank you to everyone who contributed articles, photos, memories, that has made my life as editor so much easier.

I wish each and everone well. I hope KLS continues to prosper.

Welcome our newest members

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Buildings and Yard Equipment

By Don Rogers

Here's what's happened around the track:

- Installed 80 feet of steel rail on NW corner of the mainline.

- Planted many, many trees.

- Rerouted the derail stub to make clearance for the new sidewalk. (Dan Simmons, Bob Knoecker, Jeff Mills)

- Cleaned tree debris out of the parking lot area.
- Cleaned area around the gravel hopper. (Jim McDermot)

- Checked passenger and wheelchair cars for clearance on the derail grade crossing.

- Installed pegboard for tool storage in the Thomson Bldg.

- Used a concrete planer to work one section of rail on the derail grade crossing to try and ensure clear passage for all of our locomotives and rail cars.

Removed debris left from the wooden bookshelf removal. (Thanks Greg Bright).
Replaced two track panels in the derail stub in preparation for the concrete sidewalk install.

- Set forms to pour the middle 50ft section of the 5 ft wide sidewalk between the depot and the Thomson building.

Upcoming Plans:

- Continue replacing worn out aluminum rail sections with steel rail.

- Replace aluminum frogs with steel frogs as they become available.
- Paint and apply graphics to the 600 series passenger cars.

- Construct a 5 ft. wide sidewalk from the depot to the Thomson building to enhance safe movement for seniors and persons with disabilities. (In Progress)

Our new track and infrastructure projects are really starting to pick up steam. Come on out and get involved!

Engineers Caution! We have planed the concrete at the derail grade crossing to try and ensure clearance for our equipment but I suggest having a spotter available to watch your locomotive and cars as you cross the new Derail Concrete Grade Crossing for the first time to make sure your locomotive and consist has adequate clearance and will not make contact with the concrete. Please take it slow and be careful.

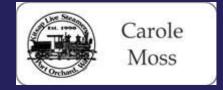
Much thanks to our stalwart weekday yard and track gang; Tom Huffman, Greg Slobodzian, Dan Simmons, along with Bill Hartung, John Lee, John Thomas, Jeff Mills and the other members who come out and donate their valuable time and effort to work on the KLS Railroad. Thanks also to the many KLS members working behind the scenes such as Richard Hoffman, Ken Olsen, Brittany / Don Morrell and Don Deffley, to name a few. Their hard work on behalf of KLS really makes a positive difference. Thanks!!!

Happy Rails,

Don Rogers

Logo sweatshirts, hoodies, polos or tee shirts are available. The logo is large and centered (see example). You can choose color or style of the shirt you desire. We need to have a minimum order of 12 units, mix and match. If you would like to have one, please let Carole know, withane65423@ gmail.com, so we can compile an order.





The name tags ordered in the future will have our KLS logo emblem shown here. It will continue to be blue with the white logo and lettering. These are provided with a pin back. A magnetic attachment is available for an additional \$4. If you wish to have a new name pin, with the logo, they are \$10 until the end of the year.

One name tag is provided free for a new Individual Membership, and two are provided with a Family Membership. Replacements or additional name tags for family members can be ordered for \$10.00 each for now. Please contact Carole at withane65423@gmail.com or 253-566-3843 for replacements or additions.

"On Track"

by Bill Hartung

Finally the weather is trending toward warmer and dryer days, which is good for our plans for the new mainline extension project. The final grading should be getting started in March, and after that we can survey the right-of-way and start fabricating new switches and the diamond crossing. We have placed another order for steel rail, which is expected to arrive in April. Later in the Summer we can be moving ahead with laying the new track.

One thing I want everyone to know: using the rail bending tool that Ken Olsen built for us, I've made two steel rails 'radius control pieces' and painted them bright orange on the ends and middle. Please don't use those rails for repair or building new track panels, I need them for checking the alignment of the new right-of-way.

Meanwhile, the existing track will be getting tuned up for the start of our season. Thanks to the dedicated members who have devoted so much time and energy to replacing worn out aluminum rail with new steel rail, there isn't a great deal of trimming required. Through their efforts, the KLS main line is in great shape and just about ready for the Easter Egg run at the end of March.

Bulletin Board Rolling Stock

by Tom Caparrella

The weather has been rather unsettling not a whole lot has been done to the straddle cars. We do need to get each one cleaned, inspected, and any repairs, adjustments made to them. When the weather clears up more the new cars can get painted.

Scheduled Run Days

- Second and Fourth Saturday's April 14th thru Oct 27th.
- Easter run March 31st (Easter April 1st), Ghost train October 27th (4th Sat of month) shorten run day to 1:00 P.M.
- Holiday special run: April 8th, May 28th, Sept 3rd.July 4th
- Sunday special run, May 20th, Sept 30th
- Fun Run: July 21st, Friends and Family Aug 18th
- Winter work days Jan 27th, Feb. 10th & 24th, Mar. 10th & 24th
- Annual boiler inspection and engineer training April 13th and 14th Note: Train Mountain events (work week and tri annual) from June 16th thru July 1st.

Sunshine

By Carole Moss

Please encourage our members that we miss. You can send a card, email, call or drop an encouraging card. It's just nice to know someone is thinking about you! Also, please remember the caretakers, if appropriate. If you know of someone who needs encouragement, please contact Carole at withane65423@gmail.com or 253-566-3843

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For Sale

2.5 in Scale 7.5 in Gauge, Roll Model Legend Series 0-6-0 Electric Switcher w/charger, 6' Flat car, 6' Gondola, 6' Roll Model Work Caboose, 2006 7X12 Dual Axle Pace trailer w/electric brakes. Asking \$20,000.00. Contact Larry Harper at 619-507-4137



For Sale

Narrow gauge rail truck chassis, 54" long, with 6" RMI steel wheels. Powered by two 24 wheel chair motors. \$500 for all the parts in the photos including a 80 amp PWM controller with a reversing relay. It is located in Yakima. Kenneth Roeh, (509)248-4449, skid-roe@msn.com.





For Sale

Speedglas high end self darkening welding helmet. See www. speedglas.com for description. New condition with new lithium batteries.

Contact at Doug_wilkinson@msn. com

For Sale

Webmaster

I have some re-railing plates manufactured by Klamath and Western Railroad, they have made them as a fund raiser. If you are interested in purchasing one of these let me know. Contact Jeff Mills at 253-740-6013. They are\$30.00 each.



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Kitsap Live Steamers Calendar

| March | 24 | Work day in the Park |
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| | 31 | Easter Run |
| April | 2 | Board Meeting, Poodle Dog, Fife 7:00pm |
| | 8 | Special Run Day in the Park |
| | 13-14 | Boiler Testing and Run Day in the Park |
| | 14 | Run day in the Park |
| | 28 | Run day in the Park |
| May | 7.11 | Board Meeting, Poodle Dog, Fife 7:00pm |
| | 12 | Run day in the Park |
| | 26 | Run day in the Park |
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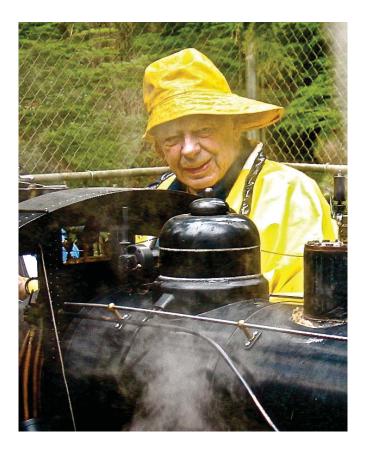


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