GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY FORMING

The Constitution and Bylaws for the Point Richmond Garden Railway Society (PRGRS) have passed muster with the Board of Directors of the Golden State Model Railroad Museum.

The next step in the process will be to organize the members of the East Bay Model Engineers Society who wish to become Charter Members of the new society. PRGRS needs to apply to the State of California for incorporation as a non profit organization, similar to what Golden State is. After the PRGRS is chartered by the state it can open up membership to people who are not current members of another current Class B organization.

The Garden Railway Society will be organized as a Class B member of the museum, just as the East Bay Model Engineers Society is.

If you have an interest in garden railways and would like to participate in this new venture, please contact Ed Marshall at 1-415-773-9010. Or write:

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Albany, CA 94706

Summertime, Sum-Sum-Summertime

By Robert Marshall

Now's the time for East Bay members to take a look at their schedules so that they can commit to some operating dates. On the second page there is a listing of the dates, by scale, that the layouts will be open to the general public.

Kicking off this season's running is the second annual SCOUT DAY AT EAST BAY, May 6, 1995.

SCOUT DAY is an open invitation to all Cubs, Scouts.

Explorers and Scouters to visit one of the largest model railroad exhibits in the country. Anyone who shows up with a Scout uniform, or current scout ID card will have the entrance donation waived. So don't be surprised when you see lots of little ones walking around asking questions.

At last year's SCOUT DAY we had over 300 Scouters come to visit.

YAQUINA BAY REVAMP

The harbor town at Yaquina Bay is being enlarged and new scenery is being installed. The plaster work will be completed by the end of May and then the town site will be filled with new structures. Buildings will have interior lighting, and street lighting is also in the works.

Up front will be the marine railway to Barrett's Boat Works.

Other industries planned for the harbor include the Pacific Fish Co. cannery, Clipper Oil Co. bulk oil facility, Quin's Fishing Charters, the Sea Hag Saloon and the Pacific Hotel.

Also, there are plans in the works to upgrade the current engine facility.

Elsewhere on the YBR will be backdrop scenery installations with a curved sky drop. Dimmer controlled lighting for night time and sunrise effects will also be used. These effects will coincide with the atmospheric lighting planned for the entire warehouse display. Watch for the changes from week to week over the next three months.
MISTER BARRETT GOES TO WASHINGTON

By Ed Marshall

Museum member Tom Barrett dropped by last month and visited for an evening. Tom moved to Port Orchard, Washington after securing a job with the Bremerton Naval Ship Yard. As many of you may know, Tom worked for many years at the Mare Island Ship Yards, in Vallejo.

Tom has been a member of East Bay Model Engineers Society since the Hallock Street days. He started modeling in 0n31.25 (1.48) shortly after I introduced the gauge to the club in about 1968. We worked together on the first Yaquina Bay Railway until the club was forced to look for a new home in 1984.

After moving to Richmond and the incorporation of the Golden State Model Railroad Museum, we planned the current Yaquina Bay Railway, still under construction. (This was one of the very first railways to operate at the museum).

One of the nicest locomotives on the YBR was constructed by Tom several years ago. It is the Heisser that you see making the run up and down the mountain on Sundays.

Though Tom is currently on leave from the organization, he hasn’t let his modeling interests lag. He recently joined an HO modular group in the Port Orchard area and will continue to pursue the model railroad hobby.

Good luck Tom and come back to visit again real soon.

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