THE MANIFEST April 2016



Greetings!

As many of you may know, our first run day was a record breaker! What a fantastic way to start the season. We grossed over \$1,000.00.

We can always use additional help on run days, if anyone is interested in helping out, please contact anyone of the officers, whose phone numbers and email addresses are listed at the end of each newsletter.

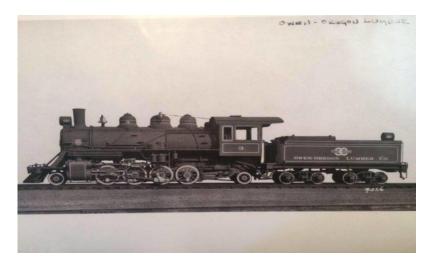
Many of you may remember the story from last month on the Old 45 from Kyle Stockman, one of our members who lives in Fort Bragg, CA and works for the California and Western. A mutual acquaintance of mine and Kyle's, Tony Phillips, wrote an interesting blog on Kyle's dedication and latest project.

#45 The Skunk Train's 2-8-2 Light Mikado By

Tony Phillips

The CWR (California Western Railroad) – The Skunk Train has but one steam loco – #45 a 2-8-2 light Mikado. Currently she is being readied for the Summer season. Kyle Stockman is not only a Club Member of our club, the Mendocino Coast Model Railroad &

Historical Society; he is also "mother hen" to number #45. Kyle was very curious to find out just what #45 looked like when she was "shopped out" by her makers, Baldwin. Every loco that Baldwin produced was photographed at the factory and, if I understand it properly, the photos of all the 70,500 locos Baldwin produced have been preserved. I have no idea whose palm Kyle greased but he DID get a copy of the shopping out photo of "our" loco:



Kyle was on a roll. His next objective was to have #on45 running on our Mendocino Coast Railroad & Navigation Co. G Scale layout. Kyle soon found out that 2-8-2's do not exist in the world of G Scale. Undaunted (and egged on by Chief Operating Officer Frank Davis) he figured if he could snag a 2-8-0 with small drivers (doable) he could do a kitbash. Well here was what he acquired:



Kyle's purchase

Kyle, with assistance of Frank got to work and voila, a G Scale #45!!!



MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS 4/12/16

- Called to Order 7:30 p.m.
- No minutes
- Treasurer's Report accepted as is.
- Reports
 - Food Stand –New roof installed, picnic tables refinished, ramp repaired. Had over \$1,000.00 day on our first run day.
 - Butte Falls Joyce no longer active on project. Need a push from our group to get things going. Discussed other options for tourist railroad.
 - #4 Air compressor governor needs several new parts internally – water damage.
 - Motorcar Exit ramp repaired

Old Business

 Wig Wag – ODOT has agreed to do a certificate of deposit for \$5K in lieu of insurance.

New Business

 Old motorcar shed in Hornbrook. Dan and Tony will check the shed out.

- · Good of the Order
 - Ken and Jim fixed the flanger step.
 - The Jackson County Commissioners are considering putting the Heritage District and tax levy on the November ballot.
- Meeting adjourned 9:01 p.m. seconded by E. Don Petit.

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UPCOMING CHAPTER EVENTS

Jerry Hellinga will be giving a presentation on "The History of the Medford Logging Railroad and the Medco #4 Locomotive"

Our May meeting will be on May 10, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

If you know of any other events that should be added to our newsletter, please email, <u>chrismanleysteam@gmail.com</u> or call, (541-291-1705), with the details.

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