

WHISTLES IN THE WOODS

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OPERATING 6500 FEET OF TRACK IN THE FOOTHILLS OF THE ADIRONDACKS

7 ¼" GAUGE 1 ½" SCALE

OPERATING GAUGE 1 TRACKAGE FOR STEAM AND ELECTRIC

SAFETY FIRST

OCTOBER 2007

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL FALL MEET

Ken Nelson

With some fabulous weather from Wednesday through Saturday, ALS had another successful Fall Meet. Although showers visited us on Saturday evening, many people had already decided to "blow down" by then, and only a few were caught with steam in the boiler and a wet clean up. Although very little running was done on Sunday, most of our visitors felt that they had had a good time anyway over the long weekend.

It was decided on Thursday afternoon that we would run "Eastbound," thus giving our engineers a whole new railroad on which to operate. The grades are different, riders see many objects they might have missed going in the normal direction, and brand new challenges face the engineers. At 4:00 PM on Friday, we turned everyone at the wye in Pearson Yard, and with a few exceptions, it went smoothly.

The kitchen ran very well, with the help of Pete Petrillose, Don Buesing and

the Chairperson, Beth Levine. There were very few problems at the Registration shack thanks to Chairman Ted Wilming and a lot of dedicated members who gave of their time. Vinnie Lutz, Bill Eckert, and a group of dedicated members kept the Lift Area running well, and several people filled in as Passenger Loaders and Conductors to help keep everyone safety conscious. Larry Green and his crew watched over the Gauge One tracks, Bill Mischler took care of getting visitor's cars to Pearson as well as keeping the trash cans empty, Dick Hosmer and John Camerota kept the track in good shape, and many people helped with cleaning up the Club House through heavy use over several days.

Although I can't mention everyone's name, it was a club effort, and, as Chairman, I want to personally thank anyone who helped in any way to make the Meet a success. ***

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**Next Meeting: Saturday, October 20, 1:00 PM
Club House**

**Deadline for November *Whistles in the Woods*:
Saturday, October 27**

Other Important Dates: See Last Page

President's Corner

Richard Dean, President

I don't know about the other members of ALS, but my thoughts about our Fall 2007 Meet are without exception, one of the greatest ever. The weather was HOT! Who would have thought that we would actually be sweating and mumbling about 90 degree plus temperatures? Sunshine was in abundance, and created such warmth that Saturday night, I didn't need anything more than a tee shirt on my back when I was running. That's far different from the past when I've been known to wear overalls and a winter jacket to stay warm in the woods at that time of the year.

We/I want to thank all the long distance members who put in the effort to bring all of their equipment. Personally I've never "gone on the road," but I know that it is a big chore and we fully appreciated your coming. The greatest joy I have, is watching everyone running and riding on the tracks. There have been twenty five years of love put into ALS and the members should be very, very proud of our fine railroad!

Talking about running, the steaming bays were full of STEAMERS! It was wonderful! That coal smoke smell is like perfume to my nose. 4-6-4s, 4-8-2s, 2-6-0s, 4-6-0s, and 4-6-2s: they were all running. The diesels and electrics were in abundance also along with some speeders. I wonder how many track miles were racked up over the four days?

I want to thank all who in some way helped make the weekend so great. Ken Nelson was so gracious to be the "Meet Director." This is a grueling task at best and I think his phone probably disintegrated from all of the calls he made. Beth Levine, the food "Director," made sure that there were sufficient staples all weekend. Ted Wilming, "Safety and Head Ticket Booth Director," was busy running the safety meetings and making sure all of the new members' paperwork was in order. Bill Eckert and Vinnie Lutz unloaded and loaded many tons of railroad equipment. I know there are many I have not mentioned, but I do appreciate everyone's contributions. It takes all of us to make the Meets work. Thank you, Adirondack Live Steamers members! It was great!

See you at the track,

Richard Dean, the Prez

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NEXT MEETING

Please note that our October Membership Meeting is the **third** Saturday of October so as not to interfere with Blowdown. Check your dates (see last page). We hope you can make both events. ***

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HEY! YOU CAN'T DO THAT
Skip Densing

If you listen carefully, you hear it every so often. "Who said you could (or should) do that?" "No, **I** don't want to tell him he can't do it." It is the SAME OLD STORY.

There are always plenty of people with a "better idea." He, she, or they should or shouldn't be doing that. But when it comes to the point of DOING SOMETHING ABOUT IT oh well, it ain't MY job.

Well, where are we going to be if no one is willing to DO SOMETHING? The problem is that no one wants to hold any position of responsibility. No president, no vice president, possibly no secretary or treasurer.

DO YOU WANT A CLUB?

Talk to somebody. We need to get officers. Be ready at the October meeting to nominate someone. Remember that you must ask them first. I want to keep my club, but I can't do it alone!

If you want a club, be sure to be at the meeting. ***

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OCTOBER NOMINATIONS

As mentioned above, the October Membership Meeting is the time for nominations for President, Vice President, Membership Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer, each of which is a one year term. In addition, we will need a Director who serves a two year term. Only Regular members may serve **in** office, but any member may nominate a Regular member **for** office. Please be sure to get their permission before nominating them. ***

Notes From Jeane

Membership Secretary's Report Jeane Lutz

I was sorry that due to a commitment in Texas, I was unable to attend this year's Fall Meet. Thanks to Ted Wilming and Skip Densing, who covered for me, we were able to welcome several new members at the Meet. Since there are so many, I am just going to list them, along with their type of membership. We are happy to welcome each and all of you.

Paul Preuss	Regular		
John Dwyer	Associate	Robert Hosmer	Associate
Jeffrey Peal	Associate	Sandra Hosmer	Associate
Edward Thackary	Associate	Ronald Mack	Associate
Katherine Baurt	Associate	Robert Sgarlata	Associate
Carl Megonigle	Associate		
Patrick Thackary	Junior	Brennan Corcoran	Junior
Tyler Sgarlata	Junior		
Wanda Suthers		Associate Family	
Patricia Zacharias		Associate Family	
Carol Fogerty		Associate Family	
Linda Reilly		Associate Family	
Randall, Cecilia, and John Petrillose		Associate Family	
Marc and Cindy Petrillose		Associate Family	
Robert Steinbeck		Associate Family	
Marsha Detsikas		Associate Family	
Andrea Whalen		Associate Family	
Dave Conroy		Associate Family	
Lynn Jarebek		Associate Family	
Joe Davis		Associate Family	

In addition to the above, I also want to thank Penny Landgraf, Bobbie Nelson, Suzanne Weinreich, and Linda Furnia for their help in running the Emporium throughout the Meet. I understand that Saturday was a big day under the tent, and that we made some money for the club. Thank you ladies.

See you at the track,

Jeane, Membership Secretary

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NOTE PAD

October 13, 14 – Blowdown
October 20 – Membership Meeting
Nomination of Officers
for 2008
November 10 – Annual Meeting
Election of Officers
for 2008
December 2 – Albany Train Show

***Two important
Meetings
coming!***

Please attend!