

Roseville Roundhouse MRA

General Meeting Minutes March 2nd, 2024

- **Quorum**
 - Officers present: Keith, John, Duncan, Troy
 - Members present: Cameron, Richard Bathos, Jud, Mark, Gregory, Jeff H, Joe, Wayne, Paul, Sam, Phil, Lou, Bill D., Gary, Josh, Don, Frank
- Membership News
 - Sam Sutton
 - Lou Frank's wife still recovering
- **Minutes.**
 - MSA
- **Treasurers Report** ((will also cover RRMRC finance).
 - Checking \$12,368.04
 - Total available to \$5,000 limit is \$7368.04
 - MSA
 - Fridge money? (Jud)
 - \$490.75
 - \$24 from recycling cans and bottles (2 and a half months worth.
 - Money is being stolen from the Fridge fund!
- **IRF (John & Jud)**
 - IRF Show update
 - Looking to move to non-profit
 - Second weekend in November
 - We almost made it back to baseline
 - Back to CalExpo
 - Goal is to return funds to club, but at minimum to be financially stable.
- **Committees**
 - Web Page: -Duncan MacDonald.
 - Email still broken
 - Still looking for more contributions.
 - HO Layout planning progress-
 - Cornerstone Progress
 - Thanks to group effort on lower scenery. Truly a group effort with Joe, Wayne and Ken K.
 - Harriston backdrop change
 - Taken down. Waiting to put in the new one. Chuck was building them.
 - HO Layout lighting.
 - Paul has been working on them. Cornerstone is lit working on buildings behind elevated
 - Block detection
 - Half the red line is working on Arduinio. Currently looking at LCC for the other half.
 - Control panels moved
 - Next meeting is Saturday March 23rd at 1pm
 - N Layout planning progress.
 - Scenery slowly progressing on upper level
 - Jeff R working on mountain
 - UP Big Boy now working
 - Lower backdrop

- Looking for a napa valley like feel less urban.
 - Maybe do a photo trip to get new photos
 - Next Meeting is the 14th of march
- Funding –
 - Membership.
 - 1 new member
 - Currently at 48 members
 - Couple more potential members have contacted us
 - Donations/Auctions
 - Book donations and more trains
 - Please NO magazines
 - Silent auction raised over \$600
 - Plan an Open house for the end of April
- Switching Layout Update – Don and Lou
 - Turnout replacement issue
 - Do we want to replace these with more Bill Dillon design? Or should we just go with the Lou design which is what we're using everywhere else?
 - Mark would likely need to write new programs
 - Probably need it up and running by open house
 - Mark will consider how to redo it.
- Electrical – Keith.
 - Block detection Progress
 - Keith's vision as the dispatcher
 - Wants a monitor to be able to see which blocks are occupied and to be contacted from radio or phone for mainline requests
 - LCC and JMRI will support this
 - Moving panels around to make them more reliable and less likely for cables to disconnect
 - Joe has an updated design based on Sam's input
 - Box 2 turnout replacement
 - Overhead lighting on Nscale
- Test Track – Duncan
 - Monitor has been relocated to a better height
- Operations :
 - Jan 20th incorporated car float.
 - Car Float went well
 - Had 13 people who wanted to participate BUT throttle access issue (wireless limit on NCE of 8) so poor Max had to go home. Ran with 12 people.
 - Next session is March 16th. 2 more handhelds loaned by Duncan.
 - Don't log on to your phone if you aren't using it.
 - Moving to TCS base station which will open up many wireless slots
- Trips
 - NMRA convention August
 - PCR convention Late April
 - Black Diamond lines open house?
 - Carquinez (open house 13th and 14th of April)

- Maybe schedule a private visit?
 - Duncan to look into it
 - John suggested an Electrical Committee visit with Silicon Valley lines and
- Old Business
 - Inventory
 - Time for another repair workshop
 - John to set up and Cameron to help
 - Decal the Passenger cars.
 - Paul to look at?
 - Do it as a workshop
 - Wayne and Jud to lead
 - Carnegie Museum update – Troy/Robert. Lighting?
 - Mark has finished all the Lighting
 - Center section plans good to go, Troy is ready to build.
 - No volunteers to do the scenery
 - Needs specific on what needs to be done. Can't get volunteers without a plan.
 - Bill D suggested doing it as a workshop?
 - Workshops
 - Ran decoder clinic last weekend
 - Variety of people interested was quite broad
 - Brass locos
 - Installing in Thomas
 - Diesels
 - And in the general process
 - Run them more often.
 - Track laying is next on March 9th Keith and Phil
 - JMRI Overview and Panel Pro in particular
 - Modeler of the Year 2023
 - Jud won with 16 votes for his work on the N-scale harbor. Good News every participant received at least one vote!
 - Show and Tell Session Jan 20 ran well. Long, but good. Thanks Ken
 - Sort out Committee. John
 - Progress
 - Old materials cut up to be trashed
 - Need to set a time frame on the free table before tossed
 - John Discussed with Chris on mounting the cabinet, but need to get sales tables out of the way
 - Looking to have a meeting
 - Keith to try and sell some of the tables.
 - Track cleaning instructions John
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- New Business
 - New member vote.
 - Frank Presley
 - MSA
 - Ryan Black
 - Pushed one more time
 - Annie Moore
 - Very active

- M/S/A
 - Sam Sutton
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- Message for people running trains
 - Be respectful of others, don't run around the layout
 - Please don't use smoke generators on locos when others in the club or get expressed permission
 - Please spend the 1st 10 minutes of getting in cleaning track
 - How to organize
 - Main point is that everyone has a responsibility for cleaning tracks
 - Only use club cleaning equipment
 - Document issues on the layout. Don't just put the loco back or watch someone else have an issue
 - Respect the rolling stock. Put them where they belong and be careful with them.
 - Own up to dropped items. Don't just leave it as if you didn't do it.
 - Don't cram locos in the yard
 - Don't leave stuff on the layout and not on the tracks.
- Lou wants to thank everyone for the card from the club
- Open House
 - June
 - Invite a vendor or 2 for a sales table?
 - Maybe Bragdon could come down?
 - Maybe not at an open house. Maybe as a workshop
 - Maybe specify specific trains we will be running. Such at Thomas and Hogwarts.
- Officer Elections
 - Motion that the 4 suckers continue to do it.
 - Richard thanks Keith for being such an excellent President
 - Second and approved
- **Adjournment**
 - M/S/A