



Southwest Oregon Large Scale Trains
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OPEN HOUSE CANCELLED - MAY 14, 2005



The purpose of Southwest Oregon Large Scale Trains is to further the enjoyment of large scale model railroads and to promote good fellowship among individuals and families interested in the operation of railways both indoors and outdoors.

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From Our President:

The clinic "Working with Foam and Foam Structures" by **Frank Anderson** was surely a hit at our April meeting. All of us learned more of what we can do with foam to make our layout look realistic by using foam, which is both easy to work with and light weight and durable as well for both indoor and out door applications. The model examples he brought were beautiful and well done and gave us a lot of inspiration. Thank you Frank for a great clinic!

Mike Hagy's 3rd Graders from Central Point visited the Medford Railroad Park on April 22 for a Special Run Day and had a great time. There were 30 kids and we handled them in groups of 6 as they toured each area of the park and of course, SOLST treated all to a Snow Cone!

We also hosted two other groups of kids earlier the same day, one from Eagle Point and the other from White City (These two groups had been scheduled with the Live Steamers). The children were from Headstart and much younger and numbered 30 or so in each group. We elected to hand out Red Vines to these younger kids because it was early in the day and they were pretty small to handle the cones. Everyone, including the SOLST crew had a great day. What a terrific reason/excuse to have to run trains during the day in the middle of the week!

This past weekend's run day was an exceptionally good day for the kids. **Naomi** and **John Bell** of Grants Pass brought their collection of Disney rides for the garden layout and set them up beautifully. What a great display! Some of the children had to be pulled away from the layout kicking and screaming, "I don't want to go!" This was on a very overcast and somewhat cool day and yet we sold 160 snow cones, which I contribute some of which to bribes in order get the kids out of the park.

Welcome New Member: **Robert** and **Kathi Crivello** of Glendale, OR

Speaking of snow cones, SOLST needs your help. We are in need of assistance in the concession area. If you could work one run Sunday during the season, it would be a great help. The work is easy and it is great fun and not gender-exclusive. Please give me a call and volunteer (779-3420), if not, I probably will be calling you.

We have asked to do another Special Run Day on May 18, 2005 for a group of Headstart kids from Central Point. There will be 75 children and several adults to attend them. The Live Steamers have confirmed the time of their visit from 9:30AM until 11:30AM. We will need to be at the park at 9AM to setup for this group. Due to the early arrival time and age of the kids, no snow cones are to be served. We can of course give out Red Vines to the kids from SOLST. So here is another opportunity for you to play with trains in the middle of the week and to do a great service for the community as well. Come on out and have some fun with us.

Due to circumstances beyond his control, **Frank Anderson** has postponed his Open House, which has been scheduled for May 14, 2005. Frank will let us know as soon as possible when a new date is available and we can get it on the SOLST calendar!

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Saturday Work Parties will now be only on the Saturday prior to the run Sunday in order to maintain our garden railroad. These Work Party Saturdays are very important to keep the layout in great working condition and the garden looking beautiful and well tended.

If you haven't been there, you have got to go. That is to the SOLST website:
www.solst.com

Jeremy Taylor has performed a great job for our club in presenting Southwest Oregon Large Scale Trains to the internet and to all the on-line users within our hobby. We can now visit the site and learn about all the clubs at the park and also tell others where to go for information about SOLST and the Medford Railroad Park. Jeremy has an area to download pictures from our layouts for review and all kinds of information about the hobby and also important links to other large-scale sites.

Happy rails to you,
Irene Zajac

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of Southwest Oregon Large Scale Trains will be May 20th at 7:30 PM at the HO clubhouse at the Medford RR Park. Meeting begins at 7:30 PM and stops at 8 PM for Show & Tell and Garden Railway Video. Additional business will be handled after the video.

Saturday Work Parties:

Saturday work parties 9AM—Noon...Saturday prior to run Sunday.

Sunday Run Days:

Jeremy Taylor is in charge of making up the calendar for the 'themed runs'. So contact Jeremy if you have any ideas on a theme.

May 8th...Steam

Thanks, we'll see you in the funny paper!

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Calendar of Events

Work Party Saturday before Run Sunday
@ the Park 9AM

May 8.....	RR Park Run Day (Mothers Day)
May 14	Open House (Cancelled)
May 18	Special Run Day Time 9AM
May 20	SOLST Meeting 7:30 PM
May 22	RR Park Run Day
June 12	RR Park Run Day
June 26	RR Park Run Day
July 10	RR Park Run Day
July 24	RR Park Run Day
Aug 14	RR Park Run Day
Aug 28	RR Park Run Day

