



# THE STEAM WHISTLE

A Monthly Bulletin of the  
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## RUN DAY

HOT! NOT! Unlike the weather for the August run, September’s was rather nice, and all the folks who had read about us in *Baltimore Magazine* came to ride with us. It was a fairly busy day with the line well past the ropes all day and willing riders as we had to shut down. The President Adams paid a visit courtesy of Bruce Hamilton’s graciousness and Mike Schroeder’s hard work to get her to the Park. Unfortunately, the oil jets continued to be problematic and there was much work between runs getting steam back up. And again, Bob Schwoerer had his CSX diesel running all day. Bill Kinzer ran his loco for a while, and John Frederick provided rides for the bug eaters ahead of his electric Shay. The WM diesel provided additional capacity for the crowd.

## NIGHT RUN

The annual night run occurred as scheduled on September 17th. There was a substantial turnout of members and guests with food for all, and they had a great time. Steve Zuiderveen brought the hamburgers and hot dogs Mike Looney brought the spare ribs. Jim Grieshaber manned the grill most of the evening, with Mike Looney doing ribs. Engines and Engineers:

1. Wendy - Mike Schroeder and trainees
2. CSX - Bob Schwoerer and Mike Looney
3. Western Maryland - Jim Grieshaber and Alex Koehler
4. B&O 216 - Alex Koehler
5. Electric – Everybody
6. SP Diesel - Alan and Cathy Cetel

The Cetels had some bugs to work out on their new SP Diesel, but with help from Glenn Sharpe the engine was running well by the evening's end. The new light installed by Glenn Sharpe by the transfer table and the switch leading into the steaming bay worked great--just like the sun.



**Andy Pullen and Glenn Sharpe.  
Glenn is being very protective of his soda.  
Does he know something about Andy?**



**If you have not met her before: Here is Wendy,  
with Steve Zuiderveen and Mike Schroeder**



**Jim Grieshaber seems to know the camera is near.**



**Tim Allen sports his new mustache.  
Really, it's where they usually are.**

Photos by Jim Carpenter

## **SPECIAL DAY FOR PKU KIDS**

Society members turned out on member run day to support a picnic event for children suffering from PKU syndrome. The weather started off questionable and then answered with a nice day. A couple of dozen guests and 10 or so members provided great running except for one derailing; stones on the tracks really do a bad job

Also, MAPKUF provides a PKU scholarship to a Maryland PKU child who is going to college.  
[Maryland Alliance of PKU Families, Inc. • 1699 Springmount Drive, Eldersburg, MD 21784 • (410) 795-2091]

## **NEW MEMBER**

Please welcome our newest member:

SCHULTZ, WARREN	ASSOCIATE
2016 ROCKWELL AVENUE	
CATONSVILLE, MD 21228-4218	(H) 410-744-5085

## **DIRECTORY CHANGES**

Changes to note in your directory:

KOEHLER, ALEX	E-MAIL: kbears@comcast.net
ZUIDERVEEN, STEVE	(W) 703-321-4487 (Change from last month!) Last months erroneous entry has been blamed on your editor, but he has not had the time, er guts, to check it out...

## **LET THERE BE LIGHT**

Night Run is neat by moonlight, but light is needed in the bay area. Bunches of thanks to Glenn Sharpe for installing additional lighting there. The additional photonic emissions were very helpful last month.

## **SAFETY NOTE**

Safety rules require TWO people to operate each of the lifts in the HQ building. There are very important health and property considerations which mandate this rule. SAFETY FIRST! Protect yourself and the equipment.

## **SPECIAL THOUGHT**

Member Mike Looney is suffering a severe health problem. All Society members wish him the best in his recovery.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As warned last month, the shoe is dropping. Members may be interested in attending the October Board of Directors Meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup>, to wit:

My fellow Club members, the issue in question is your view of this organization and what your responsibility is to its membership. You as a member came to us asking to become one of us. Along with membership came the responsibility of helping to maintain our facility and our organization. You have heard it all before, BUT if members do not come out to assist with the work the Society soon will not be running trains. We need to replace 7200 feet of track this year and next. Beyond that time we will not be able to operate on the track we now have because it will fall apart, not carry a load, or not be able to be maintained. Most of this track has been in the ground (literally) for twenty-two years. Track screws are about as thin as a pencil line or as short as this written line is high, with little or no thread to hold it in the tie. The ties are split, rotten, or gone.

There are members who show up on run days to operate or conduct or less, BUT do not show up for maintenance work. This attitude must STOP! We are a volunteer organization, but we need members to volunteer to work. Those of you who talk a good game now need to step forward, to step up to the plate. No invitational meets, special events or activities will be held at this track unless track work is begun NOW.

To make this volunteerism come about, the following work requirements will be considered at the BoD meeting on October 6.

The club operates for nine months a year weather permitting; so out of these months, ONE DAY or eight hours maintenance work will be required of each member per each three-month period. To control this requirement, each member will have a time card in a rack at HQ and will be required to have a board member or work crew "super" initial the time worked. The required eight hours can be accumulated over several work sessions, but eight hours must be completed three times a year for credit toward fulfilling your mandatory time.

I ask that equipment owners compile a list of qualified operators and make it available at headquarters. Credited work time will be considered for qualifying a person as an operator.

**IF YOU WISH TO DISPUTE THIS REQUIREMENT, BE AT THE BOARD MEETING ON OCT. 6.**

If this policy is not approved, each member may be assessed a fee to cover the cost of hiring help to rebuild the track.

Lawrence R. Law, President

## NORTHERN VIRGINIA RUN

You are invited to attend the IE&W Ry. Eleventh Annual Fall Steamup. **This event will be held the weekend of October 15th and 16th.**

The IE&W Ry track is 560 feet in length, elevated, double track, 24 ft minimum radius, 0.6% grades, 7 in track centers, #10 turnouts on the main, vertical clearance restriction 30 inches (scales up to 7/8n2 ok), covered steaming bay with eight tracks, and six yard tracks. Mainline track is code 250. The elevated structure is an unballasted deck made from 5/4x6 Trex, a wood-synthetic composite decking. The deck has a uniform width of 32 inches and varies between 16 and 53 inches above grade. Mike Moore's portable turntable module will be attached to the steaming bay, providing for additional locomotive storage.

### **SCHEDULE**

Friday (14th) --- track inspection and leaf removal. Test running. Tent raising. Dinner out..

Saturday (15th) -The "official" events will begin with coffee about 8:00am. Lunch will be make-your-own sandwiches, chips, etc. Saturday evening cookout will feature what ever Jo Anne decides to prepare. Lights in the steaming bay allow for easy preparation for night running.

Sunday (16th) - Events begin about 9:00am (So the Stapletons can sleep in) with coffee. Lunch is Saturday's leftovers.

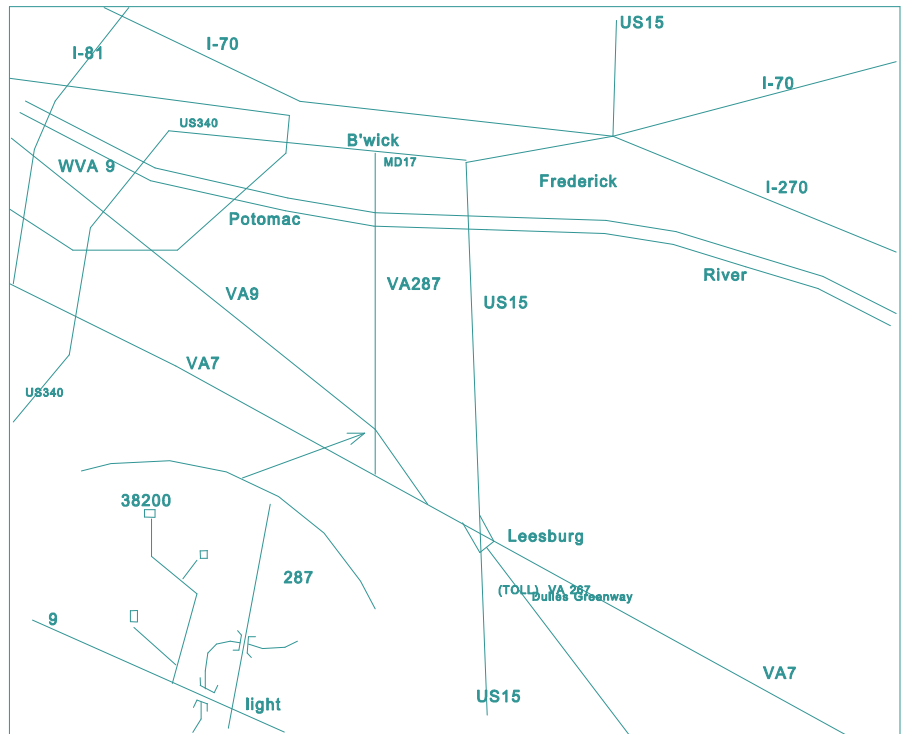
The usual applies ---- IE&W Railway will provide distilled water, alcohol, steam oil, and rags. Coal and gas fired loco owners need to bring fuel. Bob Pennock (Cross Creek Engineering) usually has several cases of gas available for sale.

Glenn "Food By Fire" McCalley will be cooking pit beef, sausage, and smoked turkey with the usual side dishes and salad. Soda, tea, and coffee will be provided gratis. The donation can will be out for lunch and dinner. Suggested donations are \$5.00 for lunch and \$10.00 for dinner.

**PLEASE RSVP** so we can plan for all the consumables. If you know someone who may be interested in attending, please have them call me ASAP at the phone number below. Hope to see you in October.

**HAPPY STEAMING!!**

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**2005 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>	<b><u>EVENT</u></b>	<b><u>PLACE</u></b>
<b><u>JULY</u></b>			
Sun 3	12:00 NOON	Annual Meeting	HQ
Wed 6	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 10	11:00-3:30	Public Run Day	Tracksite
Sat 16	9:00-4:00	Long work session	Tracksite
Sun 24	11:00-3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite
<b><u>AUGUST</u></b>			
Wed 10	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 14	11:00-3:30	Public Run Day	Tracksite
Sat 20	9:00-4:00	Long work session	Tracksite
Sun 28	11:00-3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite
<b><u>SEPTEMBER</u></b>			
Wed 7	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 11	11:00-3:30	Public Run Day	Tracksite
Sat 17	9:00-4:00	Long work session	Tracksite
Sat 17	6:00-??	Night run	Tracksite
Sun 25	10:30-3:00	PKU Children's Picnic	Tracksite
Sun 25	11:00-3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite
<b><u>OCTOBER</u></b>			
Wed 5	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 9	11:00-3:30	Public Run Day	Tracksite
Sat 15	6:00 PM-??	Night run (rain date)	Tracksite
Sat 15	8:00 AM-??	Northern VA Run	Stapleton's
Sun 16	9:00 AM-??	Northern VA Run	Stapleton's
Sat 22	9:00-4:00	Long work session	Tracksite
Sun 23	11:00-3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite
<b><u>NOVEMBER</u></b>			
Wed 9	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 13	11:00-3:30	Public Run Day	Tracksite
Sat 19	9:00-4:00	Long work session	Tracksite
Sun 27	11:00-3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite
<b><u>DECEMBER</u></b>			
Wed 7	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 11	12:00-3:00	Holiday Party	Tentative

## WORK RECORD

<u>DATE</u>	<u>WORKERS</u>	<u>WORK ACCOMPLISHED</u>
08/31/05	Law, Carpenter, M Schroeder, Allen	Grass; Spray weeds
09/03/05	Rick & Ryan Nace, Kinzer, Cetel, Law	Elevated track; Track; Storage racks
09/07	Carpenter, M Schroeder, Allen	Grass; Hedges; Evergreens
09/10	Koehler, Alex Koehler, Kinzer, Krapp, Bayles, Law	Grass; Door stop @ container #2; Clean drains
09/11	Carpenter, Sharpe, Barkman, R Schwoerer	Light at steaming bay
09/12	M Schroeder	Wendy
09/17	Law, Sharpe, R Schwoerer, Krapp, M Schroeder, Grieshaber	Grass; Track; Wendy; Lights
09/21	Carpenter, M Schroeder, Law, Allen, R Schwoerer, Ryan Nace	Fence
09/24	Close, Law	Storage racks;

## PROJECT LIST

1. Implement use of the third container - fully in use
2. Install new 1 ½" – 1" crossover - completed on 4/9
3. Complete the fence around the track - continuing beyond station; playground will be built at end
4. Upgrade the current signaling system - completed
5. Find drainage piping and fix - work done at HQ and other locations
6. Install the third track (siding) at the Headquarters building – triple switch & ~11 sections installed
7. Install new switches for the siding
8. Add siding signals to the signaling system
9. Upgrade the drainage systems -- by bits and pieces as found
10. Install light pole at east side of steaming bays -- pole erected and light installed
11. Continue upgrade of track (replacing ties in-place) -- need massive effort...
12. Fix post holes for customer-control ropes at station - actually in concrete; need to rethread
13. Install car racks in container #2 - rack components painted; brackets being installed

Work sessions are scheduled for Wednesday and Saturday mornings – say 9 o'clock or so. There is always something to do – see above. Long session on Saturday between run days. Thanks to those who have been giving their time.

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