



THE STEAM WHISTLE

A Monthly Bulletin of the
Chesapeake and Allegheny
Steam Preservation Society, Inc.

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OPENING DAY

April opens our season with any sort of luck at all regarding the weather. Didn't get that luck this year as we had the Spring Freeze of 2007 on the appointed date. There were incoming phone calls asking if we were running and the callers were told to "dress warm". Bob Schwoerer had his CSX diesel running and Mike Schroeder steamed up Wendy. Apparently they did carry some die-hard fans, but your editor was long gone to find some warmth.

CAR INSPECTIONS

Any car which will carry passengers during any Public Run Day or other time the Society provides rides to the public must be inspected by DLLR. On Wednesday and Saturday work sessions prior to this year's car inspection all the cars in HQ were checked and fixed as necessary in order to begin the season as well as to be ready for the inspection. Several cars had leaking diaphragms or rigging which was misadjusted or bent. Each of those problems had to be repaired. Axle journals were oiled or greased as necessary, too. A representative of DLLR was at Leakin Park bright and early on Wednesday, April 11 to perform the inspections. All went very well except for a brake line extension which broke off one of the gondolas. The inspection report notes that track maintenance also is being performed.



BOILER INSPECTIONS

Did you receive your inspection certificate? Did you pay the full \$25 to cover the “standing-in-the-cold-to-do-my-job” fee? Hope not, but the extra \$10 may well have been earned by DLLR Deputy Boiler Inspector Qamar Ahmad. Friday, April 13, was during the Spring Freeze of 2007 and was fairly cold and windy - uncomfortable for working with water, but 10 boilers went through inspection on that day and another 7 on the cold, calm Saturday.

On Friday, Craig Close attended to assist members with their inspections even though he has no boiler. John Tokar also has no boiler of his own but assisted Mike Russo with inspection of the Hudson and then spent the rest of the day qualifying on the engine. Mike Looney stopped by on his way to help setup at Timonium.

Please provide a copy of your certificate to a board member so that it is on file at the Park in case there is an audit by DLLR sometime and you have left your original at home.

Copy of Steve Zuiderveen's
Inspection certificate.

 DLLR STATE OF MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING, AND REGULATION		Division of Labor & Industry Safety Inspection Unit Boiler and Pressure Vessels Certificate E-mail: boilers@dllr.state.md.us Information E-mail: safe4u@dllr.state.md.us Direct Dial 410-767-2330
Room 300 1100 North Eutaw Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201		
INSPECTION DATE: 4/14/2007	INSPECTION FREQUENCY: 12 Mo	EXPIRATION DATE: 4/14/2008
ATTN: Steven Zuiderveen Steven Zuiderveen 112 White Way Sykesville, MD 21784-7812		USER: Steven Zuiderveen 5000 Windsor Mill Rd Baltimore, MD 21207
<u>CERTIFICATE OF BOILER OR PRESSURE VESSEL INSPECTION</u> <small>THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE BOILER OR PRESSURE VESSEL DESCRIBED HEREON HAS BEEN INSPECTED BY DEPUTY BOILER INSPECTOR QAMAR AHMADO WITH THE STATE OF MARYLAND - DLLR AND MAY BE OPERATED AT THE PRESSURE LEVEL INDICATED.</small>		
MD REG#: MD004508	NB#/SERIAL #: ml	YEAR: 1988
LOCATION: Portable	TYPE: Model Steam Boiler	
BUILT BY: Wilkinson	MAX PRESS P.S.I.: 90	
<small>NOTIFY YOUR INSPECTION AGENCY PRIOR TO MAKING ANY WELDED REPAIRS ON THIS OBJECT. THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE REVOKED AT ANY TIME FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH APPLICABLE SAFETY LAW AND STANDARDS. A BOILER OR PRESSURE VESSEL CERTIFICATE MUST BY LAW BE POSTED UNDER GLASS IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE IN THE ENGINE OR BOILER ROOM.</small>		
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<i>Keeping Maryland Working and Safe</i>		

REMEMBER: still more to be done. Each boiler is expected to undergo an accumulation test (to check safety valve capacity) at Leakin Park the first time that boiler is steamed up for the year. This test involves firing the boiler vigorously and demonstrating that the safeties do not allow the pressure to rise. This test must be witnessed by a member of the Board of Directors, and an accumulation test form filled out.

TIMONIUM SHOW

The Timonium show on April 14-15 overlapped the boiler inspection on Saturday but a good crew was on hand. Bill Kinzer had his locomotive on display; John Frederick had his electric Shay; Bob Schwoerer had both his CSX diesel with TWO remote-controlled Abrams tanks plus a 1" Shay; and Mike Looney had pilot assemblies for a Pacific and Mountain as well as the basic frame for a Consolidation. Mike Schroeder and Al Mews helped on Sunday.

B&O MUSEUM

Hmmm; this event was a non-event for the Society. Difficulties beyond the Society's control caused us to give a "pass" on our participation. A stern-faced Andy Jacobs, a Society member, was shown in *The Baltimore Sun* of August 4th as engineer of the St. Elizabeth, a museum-owned steam, tank engine.

HERB FESTIVAL

The annual run for the Herb Festival will be on Saturday, the 26th, starting at 10:00 and lasting until 4:00. Because of the number of people walking around the park, extra help is needed to direct the festival attendees so that they avoid our track. This is the type of event which brings us new customers and we need to put on a good show.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting in July is already just around the corner. No elections this year, so come enjoy the picnic. Be sure to bring some food to share and to enhance the burgers and dogs provided by the Society.

STATION UPDATES

There are now actually two bolts available for holding the large sign to the fence at the Station. The sign has had only one bolt for at least a year and a half. New letters (1 ½" x 1 ½") are needed for the sign which sits atop the large one. Also, new ropes have been made up for the "crowd control" and have been coiled on new reels. One reel is larger than the other so it is now possible to see which rope is for which side of the walk!

TRACK WORK

No more track has been laid and the drainage problem along the Midway Straight still has not been fully addressed. Poor weather has been part of the reason for this lack of progress, but some advance is now being made. The 100' radius panels are sufficient to complete the inside track. More straights are needed but just a few of the 75' radius curves have been built. A new supply of ties is available to continue panel construction. Be sure to follow the procedure when putting track panels together.

It has been decided to continue laying track across the Midway straight even though the drains have not been installed. The fact that slip joiners are being used will permit fairly easy lifting of panels to run the drain under the track and replace the panels. A Board decision has to be made regarding how outside track panels will be addressed during the drain installation. Some sort of new panel will have to be used, but it has to be determined if they will be the new panels or wood-tie panels on hand.

The drain at Midway was opened and the trench filled with stone. On the outside track, a considerable number of ties are being replaced in the Midway area. Track construction has switched to 75' radius track but more straights are still needed, too.

Remember, too, that you can make a tax-deductible donation to the Track Fund. Send it to James Carpenter, Treasurer, 6918 Fern Lane, Annandale, Virginia 22003. He will provide you with the necessary documentation for your tax return.

WORK RECORD

<u>DATE</u>	<u>WORKERS</u>	<u>WORK ACCOMPLISHED</u>
03/28/07	Ryan Nace, Carpenter, Kinzer, Law, Close, Krapp, M Schroeder, Allen	Inspect cars; Brakes for electric; Pilot on Wendy; Cut grass
03/31	Koehler, Law, Close, Schwoerer, Zuiderveen	Excavate for Midway drain; Replace ties
04/04	Kinzer, Law, Close, Carpenter, M Schroeder, Allen, Sharpe	Build track; Fix light pole
04/07	Law, Close, Zuiderveen	Rope reels for station; Cut ties
04/11	Carpenter, Law, Close, M Schroeder, Allen	DLLR car inspection; Cut ties; Work on Wendy; Trim trees
04/18	Kinzer, Law, Close, Carpenter, M Schroeder, Allen,	Weed spray; Build track; Trim trees
04/21	Law, Close, Schwoerer, A Mews, Rollins	75' track; Cut grass; Midway drainage
04/25	Kinzer, Close, Carpenter, Koehler; M Schroeder, Allen	Spray weeds; Cut grass; Cut ties; Smooth trackside and extend bank
04/28	Close, Zuiderveen, Schwoerer, A Mews, Koehler	Clear Midway drain; Replace ties

2007 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT	PLACE
<u>FEBRUARY</u>			
Wed 7	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
<u>MARCH</u>			
Wed 7	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 11	11:00- 1:00	Safety Meeting	HQ
Sun 25	11:00- 3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite
<u>APRIL</u>			
Wed 4	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 8	11:00- 3:30	Opening Public Run Day	Tracksite
Wed 11	8:00- 5:00	Car Inspection (DLLR)	HQ
Fri 13	9:00- 3:00	Boiler Inspection (retired)	Tracksite
Sat 14	9:00- 3:00	Boiler Inspection (working)	Tracksite
Sat 14	8:00- 5:00	Timonium Show	Fair Grounds
Sun 15	9:00- 4:00	Timonium Show	Fair Grounds
Sun 22	11:00- 3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite
Sat 28	8:00- 4:30	B&O Museum (tentative)	Museum
Sun 29	8:00- 4:30	B&O Museum (tentative)	Museum
<u>MAY</u>			
Fri 4 thru Sun 6		CALS at CASS	Cass, WV
Wed 9	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 13	11:00- 3:30	Public Run Day	Tracksite
Sat 26	10:00- 4:00	Herb Festival	Tracksite
Sun 27	11:00- 3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite
<u>JUNE</u>			
Wed 6	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 10	11:00- 3:30	Public Run Day	Tracksite
Sun 24	11:00- 3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite
<u>JULY</u>			
Sun 1	12:00 NOON	Annual Meeting	HQ
Wed 4	7:30 PM	BOD & Member Meeting	HQ
Sun 8	11:00- 3:30	Public Run Day	Tracksite
Sun 22	11:00- 3:30	Member Run Day	Tracksite

TRACK WORK SESSIONS

Sat (every)	9:00 AM	Build/Install track	Inside loop
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