

The Railjoiner

SASME ANNUAL AUCTION

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Our annual Christmas Auction will be held Saturday, Dec. 4, at Richard Dick's home, at 5948 E Hawthorne St, around **5PM**. There will be no business meeting Wednesday, December 1; but there will be a "Run What You Brung". The auction will start after everyone has had some food. There are a number of items already donated for the auction. However, as always, please bring model railroad/railroad items you have discovered

you no longer need because there is probably someone in the club who would like to have them and is willing to pay! Remember, all proceeds from the auction go to SASME. This event raises money for the club AND we have a good time. The auction is open to current and past club members; the purpose is to HAVE FUN!!

Remember to bring a little something to eat and share with others;

we never lack for food! SASME will supply soda pop, water and plates/utensils.

There are NO door prize or refreshment assignments for December.

Directions to Richard's

I am 1/2 mile east of Craycroft and 1/2 mile west of Wilmot and south of Speedway. Take Sahuara St south from Speedway and turn east at Hawthorne St. I'm at the end of the cul-de-sac, about 1/2 block from Sahuara. (520) 790-5356.

OPERATING SESSIONS GOING WELL

Ron Elwood and Jim Homan have been organizing and running our monthly prototype operating sessions. The attendance has been good. Usually each train runs with a two-man crew (engineer and conductor). Emails are sent to members indicating the starting time for the sessions, usually around 3PM in the afternoon. There is a break for supper, and then afterwards, the session continues.

Most months there is a Saturday morning session as well. Again, emails are sent out indicating starting time. There is not always a Saturday session; having one depends upon the availability of Jim or Ron to set things up. Don't assume there will be one unless you receive the email.

The sessions involve just the Standard Gauge. As most of you are aware, SASME has the engines and cars for these sessions.

If you are interested in running your own locomotives, there are the "Run What You Brung" sessions that are on different nights; check the calendar on the next page. During the holiday season (Thanksgiving and Christmas) there may be a few sessions shifted around. And if unsure, send Jim or Ron an email.

The operating sessions are becoming a popular activity for SASME.

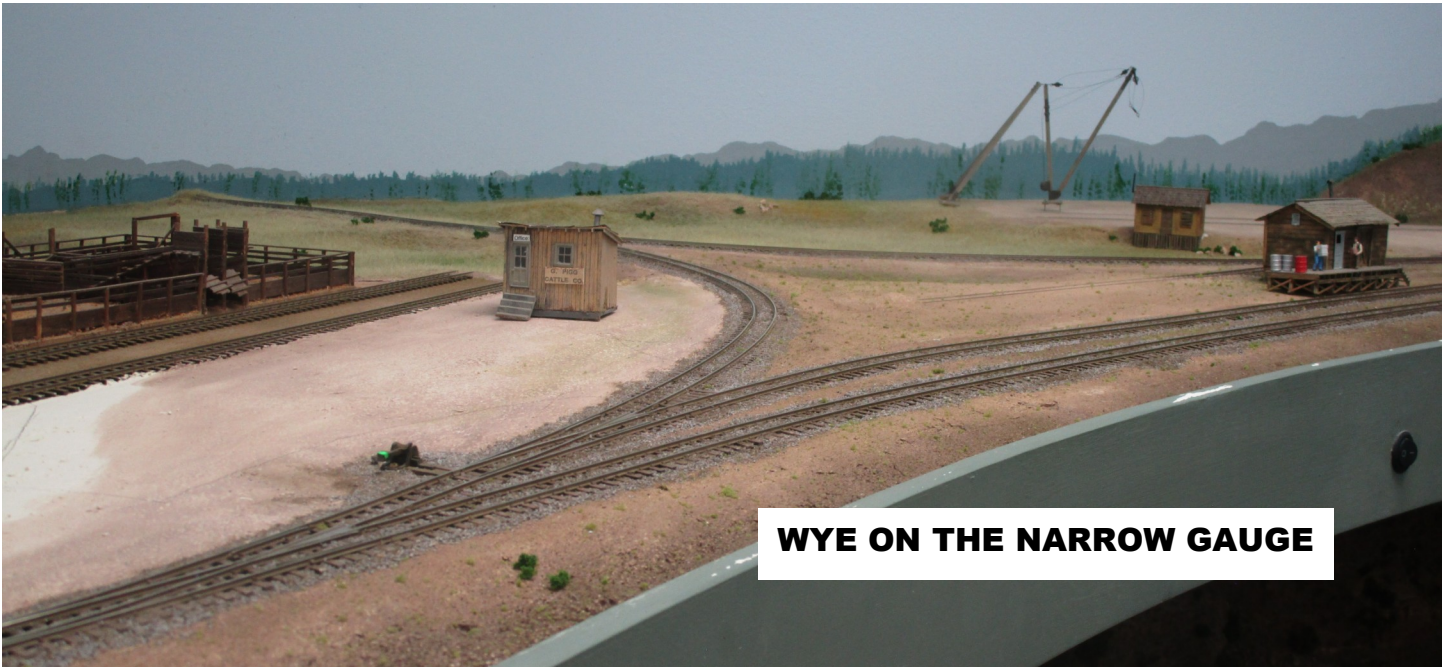
Special points of interest:

See Calendar on page 2 for Business Meeting dates.

27 Active Members

0 Applicant Member

PHOTO OF THE LAYOUT



WYE ON THE NARROW GAUGE

Thanks to Paul Chandler for this continuing effort on the Narrow Gauge.

CALENDAR

December

Business Mtg./Auction	4 (Sat.)
Workday	8
Run What You Brung	1, 22
Prototype Operations	29

January

Business Meeting	5
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Workday	12
Run What you Brung	19
Prototype Operations	26

February

Business Meeting	2
Workday	9
Run What you Brung	16
Prototype Operations	23

Prototype Operations will convene at 3PM and go until about 8PM with a break for supper. Sometimes Saturday following will have a

Session.



MEMBER NEWS

We now have 27 active members plus one "spring-time member", Jim Fairbanks.

We have one new member Jelonni Goodson, #307. And Kurt Allendorf #297 has become an active member again. But unfortunately we lost an active member, Richard Conroy (Richard the Second). He

was member #299. Richard did very nice work on the backdrops on the Standard Gauge portion of the layout and was working on backdrops for the Narrow Gauge portion of the layout.

Past member Barry Blackwell #230 also passed recently. He was most recently active with the

Tucson Garden Railway Society and had a very whimsical layout in his back yard. Past member Al Westerfield #304 has had another back surgery; we're hopeful this will return him to good health!