



Upcoming Meets:

June 30
Yves and Mary DeBievre
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10AM 4 PM

Please bring:
A-G Appetizers
H-O Salads
P-Z Desserts

July – Paulazzo
August – Heumphreus
Sept 1 - Chaudier
Sept ? – Siegel
October – Power
November –Asher
December - Uniack

June 2007

This month we will meet at the home of Beaver and Mary DeBievre in Goleta. This is another layout that has so much going on with plants, structures, figures and water features that sometimes you barely have time to notice the trains. Bring your camera, there are way too many excellent angles for fabulous pictures.

Beaver says that the layout is still a narrow gauge logging railroad, with two separate tracks. All curves and elevations remain the same, although Beaver has been working on the track to possibly accommodate more of the engines.

The upper part has mostly five foot diameter curves and steep grades. The lower loop has eight foot diameter or larger curves and relatively gentle grades. The optional extension has a long, steep downgrade, followed by a long steep upgrade. But you can avoid it completely if it is too challenging.

His railroad cars have LGB hook & loop couplers. If you have something different, you will have to bring a car to convert to this system.

Beaver is going to furnish a sign up list so that everyone who wants to will be able to run their trains. Usually there is time left over, so some can have a second chance if they wish.

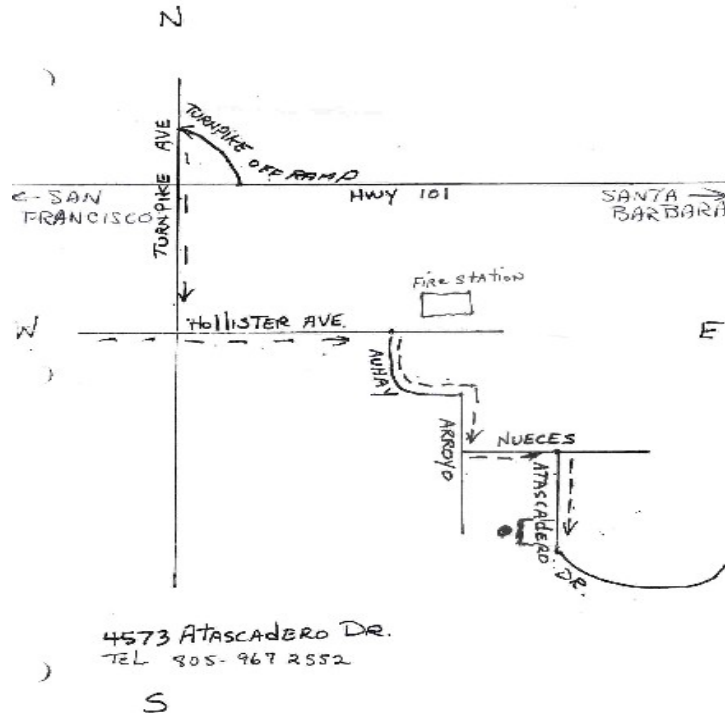
Beaver thought the train pulling contest took too much time, and so won't have it again this year. He is considering a meet that would be just for a pulling contest. The last one sounded like a lot of fun; I was sorry to have to miss it.

Beaver promises that Mary will have an additional surprise in her section of the yard. This was the fairy theme layout last year, I wonder what she has been up to lately? I am not holding out on you; I really haven't any idea.

Directions from the East

North 101
Off and Left Turnpike
Left Hollister Ave
one very long block to:
Right Auhay
Right Arroyo
Left Nueces
Right Atascadero to 4573

Directions from the West
South 101
Off and Right Turnpike Ave
Left Hollister Ave
one very long block to:
Right Auhay
Right Arroyo
Left Nueces
Right Atascadero to 4573



Well, nobody has died. We don't have any new members. I am developing some ideas for future articles, but they just aren't ready yet. So, we have a short format bulletin this time. The masthead is on page 4.

Bob and Rochelle Hahn's May meet

OK, now it can be told. Rochelle's new fairy layout is inside The Train Room, on a shelf way up near the ceiling. I would say that Rochelle outdid herself here, but that would ignore the church and the town.

The church is a beehive of activity. It is being painted even as there is a funeral getting started. You can't see it in the pictures, but the cemetery has crosses with the names of GCGRS members who have died. That doesn't explain the one labeled "Coming Soon: Crazy Charlie".

I had a lot of trouble selecting pictures this month. Usually, I just toss out all the lousy ones, and there are about two pages worth left, if I am lucky. But this layout is so complete that it is very difficult to take a bad picture. Thank goodness we have the web site to take some of the overflow.

The town square features a merry go round and a carousel that turn, and play music. There is a popcorn vendor whose popcorn is popping.

Beaver brought an old time Mogul, and it ran at the same time as Byron McCracken's Acela. They made an interesting pair whenever they passed each other.

Chris Walas brought his submarine locomotive and a string of cars carrying everything from a sea serpent to a mermaid. Chris says he built it all out of cardboard, Sculpy and paint. Lots of paint. Like most of Chris' work, this one is a real crowd pleaser. You can't tell from the pictures, but the fins move up and down, and the tail moves back and forth.

John Lyans ran his K27 and a long string of D&RGW cars. This engine is rather fussy about track, but it was very happy here, and ran beautifully. And, yes that is Old Charlie admiring John's engine (next page).

John Power had less luck with his K36. He made the mistake of listening to me when I said bring your big engines. This one is **BIG!!**. Too big, actually, since it only got about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way around before running into a bit of bother that ended its day.

Thanks Bob and Rochelle for another fabulous meet. You two really set the standard that we mere mortals strive for.





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