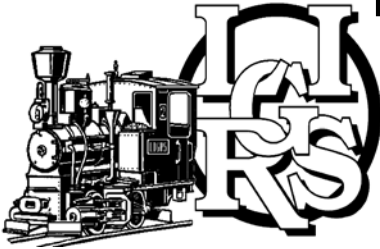


September 2021



Monthly Meeting
Saturday September 18th
11:00-3:00
Hosts: Geri Coney & Bill Arndt



Reminder that our nominations and elections are coming up. The following terms of club positions are expiring: Vice President, Treasurer, Membership Director, Director-at-large (2)
Please consider who you would like to nominate for these positions. Or if you are interested in running for one of the positions, have a member in good standing nominate you.

Nominations will be taken at the September meeting.

Incumbents will not be upset or insulted if you run for the office that they currently occupy.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Pre-filled proxy forms have once again been mailed out to all voting members. We ask that you sign and return in the enclosed addressed, stamped envelope ASAP to insure that we have a quorum for the September meeting. Please send in the proxy even if you plan to attend (your attendance will supersede your proxy) This important meeting agenda includes nominations for LIGRS officers' positions that are ending this year as well as voting to obtain member approval for the proposed changes to our By-Laws which were submitted to the President by the By-Laws committee.

See pages 6 and 7 for a listing of the proposed changes.

This Year's Club 50/50 Raffle
 Long Island Garden Railroad Society's FIRST ANNUAL HOLIDAY SUPER 50/50 Raffle. \$5.00 each. Limited to 500 Tickets
 If you need more contact George at glstama1@earthlink.net
 Drawing at our November MEETING
You've got to be in it to win it!

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*Saturday home-hosted meetings have a rain date the following day, Sunday
 ** Subject to pandemic restrictions

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2021 LIGRS Meetings & Events

Date	Program/Notes	Time	Place
Aug. 31, 2021 Changed due to rain	Set Up for Ground Display	9:00 AM	Old Bethpage Village Restoration
Sep. 3-5, 2021 (see page 9)	Ground Display Run	10:00 AM-4:00 PM	Old Bethpage Village Restoration
Sep. 7, 2021	Take Down Ground Display	9:00 AM	Old Bethpage Village Restoration
Sep. 11, 2021	Russo Memorial	TBA	Bayard Cutting Arboretum
Sep. 18, 2021 SATURDAY*	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Geri Coney & Bill Arndt
Oct. 16, 2021 SATURDAY*	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	Dorothy Mahan
Nov., 2021	Monthly Meeting	11:00 AM	TBA
Jan. 10, 2022	Garden RR Presentation By Dan Saporito	TBA	Sayville Historical Museum

Attention Veterans



In order to recognize and honor LIGRS members who have served during any time or are currently serving, please contact Louise Sewall at 516.541.4837 or email info to louisesevall@verizon.net with your branch of service and years served.

Check out last year's November issue on page 8 to ensure we have your correct information.

View From the Cab



Well I hope we've seen the last of the brutal hot and humid weather. One cannot work on garden RR in such conditions. My best laid plans seem to have been put on hold again. Maybe in September I can make up for the lost time.

I'm writing this article today August 29, so "View from the Cab" can get in Sept. issue of S n C. Yesterday we had Board meeting under the tent at the Rail Road Museum of Long Island, it was noisy with the World Fair Train running around, so I don't think we'll have it there again outdoors. The good thing about outdoors yesterday was that the temperature and humidity was a total relief after this past week.

The meeting lasted from 10:00am to 2:26pm with a 40 min. lunch break; the museum supplied their crew as well as the LIGRS with heroes. Thank you RM of LI.

Picnic review: We had total of 41 persons attending. Of that 41, three were paying children and 6 were committee members, you know, the one's that order the food, pick up the food and cook the food as needed.

Now the kicker out of those 41 only 23 were club members, the rest were guests from just two families!

Next year our membership is going have to decide whether or not to have a picnic. It's not worth the effort to have a picnic if only 23 minus the 6 committee attend. Also it's not going to happen if we only have 6 people on the picnic committee! We need more volunteers. The Board also will change the menu and location if we do have a picnic in 2022.

Remember this weekend was to be a run weekend at the RR M of LI, it was. On Sat. as the Board meeting was being conducted a few members (4) were running their trains on the newly reworked Freeman RR. Today, Sunday only again (4) members showed, some were different members than Sat. Only two were non Board members. To me this is very disappointing. Here you had two days to run trains, can't complain about the weather, it's an outdoor event, with plenty of social distancing.

I would like to highlight some of the Broads discussions on various subjects.

If any member has an idea to build some display for a module excluding the table they can do so, just let a Board member or me know. Also they can work on this project solo or ask for help from a Board member or some other helpful member. It was noted that there are 4-5 empty modular spaces available for these projects.

If any member would like to give a demonstration / talk on some project, or train related subject and share with the club membership at a club meeting, please, again let myself or Nick know. This is greatly appreciated at meetings particularly at our winter meeting. The Board's hope is that this would make meetings more interesting, instead of a coffee social.

Dues; after a **lengthy** discussion the Board agreed to raise the individual dues from \$40 to

\$50 a year. That comes out to an \$.83 a month increase. Family membership is unchanged at \$15.00.

If you're not happy with some Board decisions or how the club operates **now is your opportunity to change things**. Half the Board is up for re-election in November. This September's meeting is nomination time. Nominate someone you would like or let it be known that you would like to run for a position. So please try to attend the September meeting it is the most important meeting we have. Your input will change or keep the direction of our club in the future.

The auction is the 3rd most important meeting. Right now looks like our auction will be in Feb. 2022 stay tuned.

(Editor's note: voting on the By-Laws changes will also be held at this Sept. meeting)

See you **all** at are September meeting!

God bless and please stay safe.

Mike Kmeth



2022 Dues Reminder

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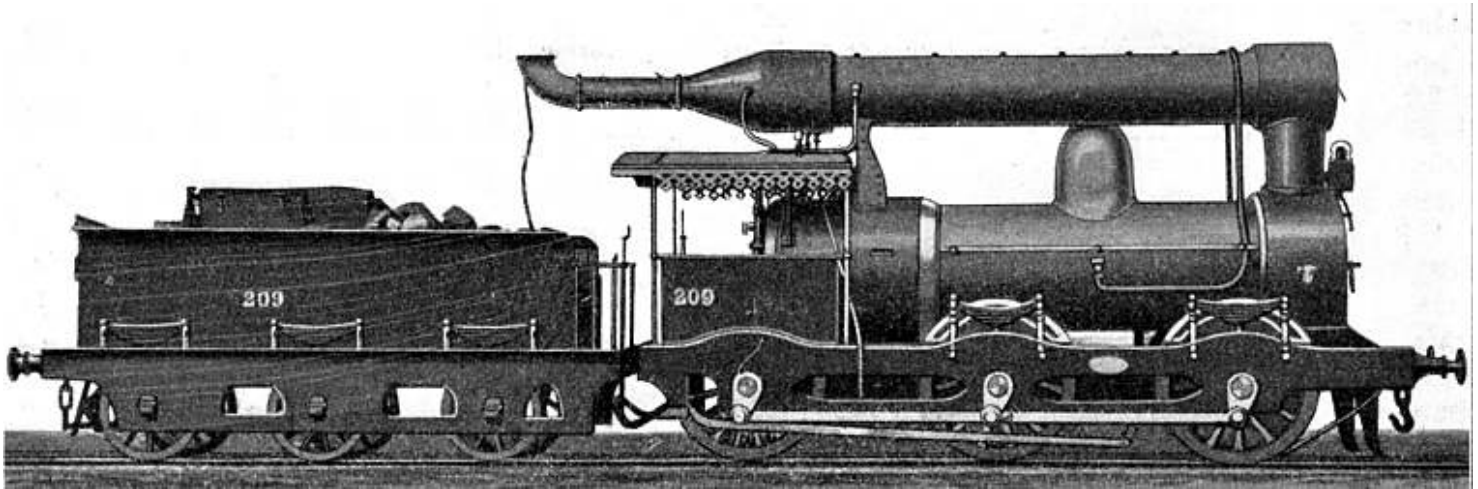
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Tom's What the Heck Puzzle (Solution on next page)



KEEP IN MIND!

The LIGRS annual Christmas Party Brunch will soon be in the planning stages. Date and other information will be announced.



Proxy Statement Form — May be used for Sept Mtg. Business

PROXY --- LONG ISLAND GARDEN RAILWAY SOCIETY INC.

I _____, a member of the Long Island Garden Railway Society Inc., hereby nominate and appoint _____, my true and lawful attorney with power of substitution, for me in my name, to vote as my proxy, at the Business Meeting of Members of said LIGRS to be held on _____ at _____, upon any and all matters which may be presented, considered and voted upon at said meeting, as fully and with like effect as I might or would have done if personally present, hereby ratifying and confirming all that my said attorney may do in my name, place and stead. I hereby revoke any proxy or proxies, heretofore given by me to any other person or persons whatsoever.

Dated _____

Signature _____

Address _____

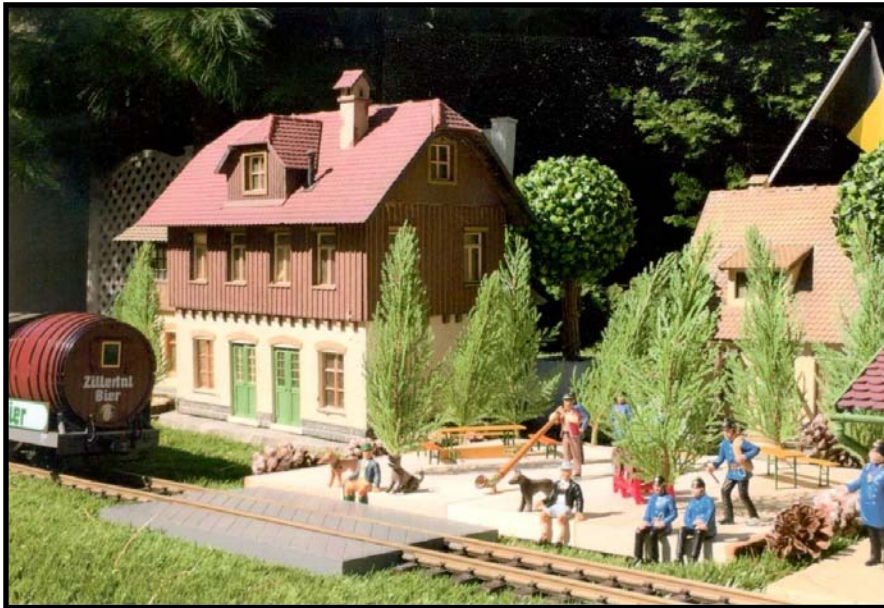
What the Heck Puzzle Solution

Answer: Locomotive with preheater for the Egyptian State Railway 1902



Photo Contest Winner

This month's winning photo of a Biergarten was taken by Mike Kmeth on Paul Bonney's Strong Island RR



Chic Chat Corner – Important Reminder

There will be a dedication for Bob Russo's Memorial Bench on Saturday Sept. 11 at 10:00 am. Raindate Sunday, Sept. 12th same time.

Could anyone who will be attending, Please send a response to Pat Russo at pokey0328@gmail.com as soon as possible. She needs a headcount as there will be refreshments at her house afterwards.

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Proposed By-Laws Changes for Membership Approval

NO CHANGE TO PREAMBLE ARTICLE I - MEMBERSHIP

Renumber Section 11 as Section 12.

Insert a new Section 11 to read "Member in Good Standing shall be defined as any person, who has fulfilled the requirements for LIGRS membership, has not voluntarily withdrawn their membership, is not subject to Recall provisions of Article V herein and is not in arrears in the payment of club membership dues."

ARTICLE II - MEETINGS

Renumber Section 2 as Section 3.

Renumber Section 3 as Section 4.

Renumber Section 4 as Section 5.

Renumber Section 5 as Section 6.

Renumber Section 6 as Section 7.

Renumber Section 7 as Section 8.

Renumber Section 8 as Section 9.

Insert a new Section 2 to read "The Board of Directors shall adopt a quorum number at the first Board of Directors meeting for each new calendar year. The quorum number shall be computed as the integer value of the membership count as of the previous December 31st times 25% plus 1. This quorum number shall remain in effect until the next calendar year when this process is repeated for that year."

Modify the newly renumbered Section 3 from "...quorum of thirty five members in person or by written proxy." to read "... quorum, in person or by proxy, as set forth by the Board of Directors in Section 2 herein."

Modify the newly renumbered section 8 to from "... chaired in accordance..." to read "... chaired in succession in accordance ...".

ARTICLE III - FINANCE - NO CHANGE

ARTICLE IV - BALLOTING - NO CHANGE

ARTICLE V - RECALL - NO CHANGE

ARTICLE VI, OFFICERS, Section 2

Modify the first sentence of section 2 from "...and one-half (1/2) of the total Directors at Large shall be elected in even years." to read "...one-half (1/2) or the minority number of the Directors at Large shall be elected in even years."

Modify the second sentence of section 2 from "...and one-half (1/2) of the total Directors at Large shall be elected in odd years." to read "... one-half (1/2) or the majority number of the Directors at Large shall be elected in odd years."

ARTICLE VI, OFFICERS, Section 8

Modify Section 8 from "The presence of six (6) officers shall constitute..." to read "The presence of the integer value of one half of the total number of officers plus one shall constitute ...".

ARTICLE VI, OFFICERS, Section 9

Modify Section 9 from "The Presidents shall abstain from voting unless there is a tie vote, and then the President shall cast ..." to read "The Presiding Officer chairing the meeting shall abstain from voting unless there is a tie vote, and then the Presiding Officer shall cast ...".

ARTICLE VII STAFF SECTION 1

Add new h. Transportation Coordinator

ARTICLE VIII COMMITTEES, Section 1

Modify Section 1 from "... appoint a chairperson ..." to read "... appoint a member in good standing as the chairperson ...".

ARTICLE IX - PUBLICATIONS - NO CHANGE

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS - NO CHANGE

ARTICLE XI - PROCEDURES - NO CHANGE ARTICLE XII - EQUIPMENT - NO CHANGE

Article XIII - ORGANIZATION NAME AND LOGO Section 1

Remove the word "pamphlet".

APPENDIX A, Section 1, ELECTED OFFICERS, c. Treasurer

Modify paragraph c from "... as specified below, and other duties as assigned by the President ..." to read "... the safekeeping and maintaining financial records as well as drafting and filing necessary forms and documents with the appropriate governmental entities. In addition, the Treasurer is responsible for collecting all renewal dues, forwarding said dues information to the Membership Director in a timely manner. The Treasurer shall also be responsible for other duties as assigned by the President."

APPENDIX A, Section 1, ELECTED OFFICERS, d. Secretary

Modify paragraph d replacing all occurrences of the term "... Recording Secretary ..." with the term "... Secretary ...".

Modify paragraph d from "... Board of Directors Meetings, and other duties..." to read "... Board of Directors Meetings, safekeeping and maintaining corporate records as well as filing necessary requests, forms and documents with the appropriate governmental entities and other duties ...".

Modify paragraph d from "The Recording Secretary shall post the minutes of the previous meeting on the Train Order Board at each meeting." to read "The Secretary shall forward a copy of the minutes to the Newsletter Editor for publication in the next issue of Smoke n' Cinders prior to the next general membership meeting."

APPENDIX A, Section 1, ELECTED OFFICERS, e. Membership Director Modify paragraph e from "... activities, and ..." with "... activities

Our 2021 Picnic at the L.I. Live Steamers



Special thanks to the picnic committee, headed by Pat Russo for all their preparation and the work on the day of the picnic.

A great time was had by all and the weather cooperated holding off the rain from the incoming storm. Thanks also to the members of the LILS club for giving us the opportunity to view and ride on their equipment.

See some photos on the following page.

Proposed By-Laws Changes continued

as well as accepting new applications and first time dues payment, forwarding said payment to the Treasurer in a timely manner. The Membership Director ...”

Remove from paragraph e “The Membership Director is responsible for collecting all dues. Dues are turned over to the Treasurer no later than at the next business meeting.”

APPENDIX B, Section 1, Appointed Staff g. Module Coordinator In paragraph g, move sentence three to become sentence two: “.The Module Coordinator is responsible for completing the events questionnaire with each new outside group requesting Module Group participation and presenting the completed questionnaire to the Board of Directors for approval.”.

Modify the newly repositioned sentence three in paragraph g from “...participation by...” to read “...participating...”.

APPENDIX B, Section 1, Appointed Staff h. Transportation

Add new h. to read “Transportation Coordinator: The Transportation Coordinator shall be responsible for arranging for the transport vehicle and driver to move the club's trailer(s) to and from show/event locations as needed in a timely manner. The coordinator shall be responsible for periodically inspecting the club trailer(s) and notifying the President of any maintenance issues or state inspections that are required. In the event that any vendor performed repair and/or state inspection is required, the coordinator is responsible for arranging for the transport vehicle and driver to move the club's trailer(s) to and from the vendor's facility in a timely manner.”.

APPENDIX C – NO CHANGE

Add the following after the end of Appendix C “NOTE: Policies referenced within the By-Laws can be reviewed on the club's website.”.

Remove from By-Laws the following policies:

The Junior Membership Policy and the LIGRS Finance Policy

***** END OF BY-LAWS CHANGES *****

Create External to the By-Laws:

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP POLICY

Junior membership shall mean a person meeting the following criteria: The Junior Member must be between the ages of 10 and 17 years. The Junior Member must be a child or grandchild of a member in good standing of the Long Island Garden Railway Society, Inc. The Junior Member must be accompanied by a parent, grandparent or guardian when attending all club functions. The Junior Member will be required to complete a Junior membership Application to be submitted to the Membership Director. The Junior Member will be listed in the club roster and receive a membership card and a name badge. The Junior Member will be encouraged to assist in setup and breakdown of indoor, modular and ground displays.”.

Once the Junior Member has demonstrated the ability to properly operate train equipment, as determined by an adult club member, they will be allowed to:

Operate the Junior Member's equipment on club displays. Operate club equipment on club displays.

Assist other club members, with permission, in the operation of their equipment on club displays or the member's layout.

LIGRS FINANCE POLICY

Of Interest

FREEPORT MEMORIAL LIBRARY



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Past president Mike Iannacone has passed this information to us.

LIGRS member Dave Morrison, Author and Railroad Historian will be presenting "All Aboard! The Long Island Railroad's Babylon Branch." at the Freeport Library, 144 West Merrick Road Freeport, NY 11520 Phone: (516) 379-3274 on Wednesday, September 29th at 1:00 pm.

This will be an on-site program described as "All aboard for this ride on the rails! Learn how the LIRR, the oldest railroad in the country and the busiest in North America transports its 90 million riders each year.

Thus far, this presentation does not appear on the library's electronic registration website. Call to see if pre-registration is needed. If so, priority is given to Freeport residents.

Picnic Photos



Fun Run Days



The end of August we scheduled 2 Fun Run days at the RMLI Riverhead on the newly renovated Freeman Railway. Shown in the photo is a section of the display with Anthony Bliss' locomotive and train.

Many thanks to Frank Clemente and his helpers for all their hard work during the dog days of summer.

Looks wonderful, great job guys!

Directions to the Monthly Meeting

Saturday September 18th

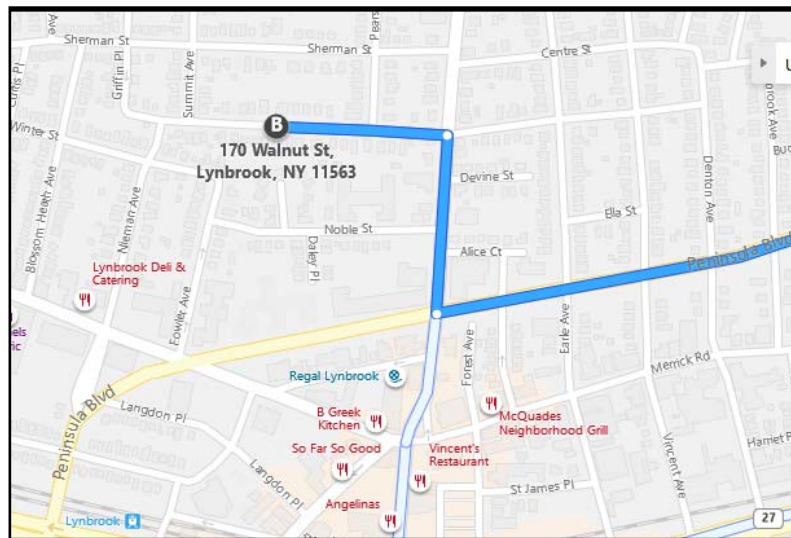
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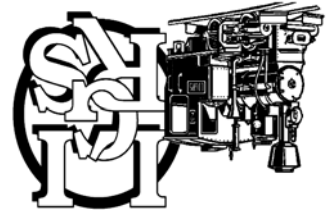
Hosts: **Gerl Coney & Bill Arndt**

170 Walnut Street,
Lynbrook, NY 11563



- Take Southern State Parkway west toward NYC.
- At exit 19S take ramp on the right for South Peninsula Blvd. Toward Rockville Centre
- Turn right onto Hempstead Ave.
- Turn left onto Walnut St. Arrive at 170 Walnut house is on the left.
- The last intersection is Pearsall Ave. if you reach Summit Ave. you have gone too far.



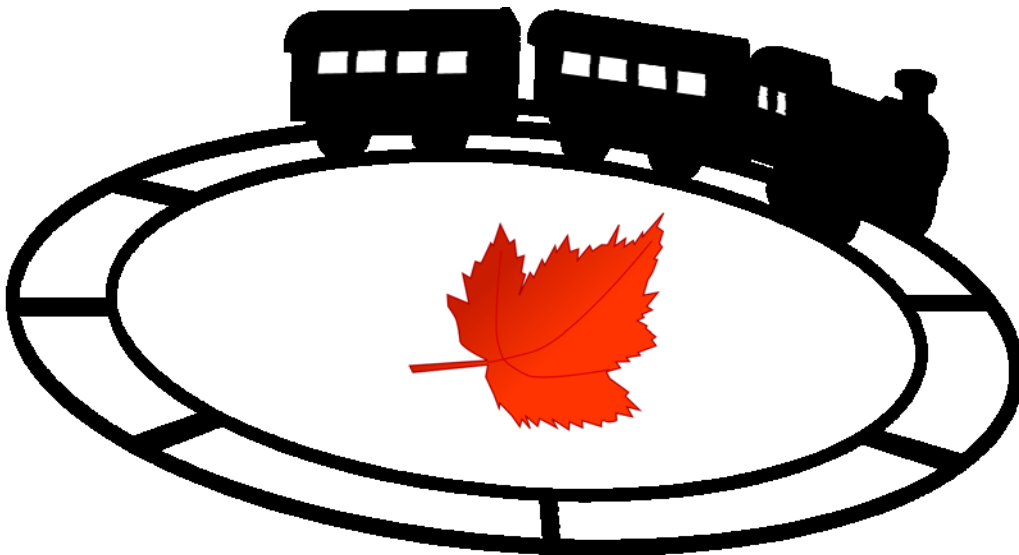


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