

## FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

## **General Superintendent's Report**

**Kerry Cochran** 

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2020 was less than a stellar year for the FRRS/WPRM and the outlook for 2021 does not look too good right now. With the high COVID-19 virus rates in California and the recent "Shelter in Place" orders, we may be hard pressed to be able to open on a regular schedule for 2021.

Please keep your eye on the FRRS website for more information as it becomes available. The FRRS Board of Directors will be discussing current conditions on a monthly basis to see when we can resume a normal schedule. (Should one be called normal again?)

As it stands right now, the Board of Directors has taken the steps to keep the museum closed until at least July 1<sup>st</sup> 2021. This will be reviewed on a monthly bases to see how conditions change.

However, please keep your eye on our Board of Directors meetings for the latest information as we strive to do our best to protect our members, volunteers and the general public.

Should you not be able to attend (by teleconference) our board minutes; agendas, directors' reports and department reports are posted to the website as soon as possible for those that wish to see what has taken place.

I know things are very hard for some of the limited staff who spend time at the museum working on cleaning projects, keeping the museum in shape so that we have a museum to open again when the time comes.

While that has been a loss of work time around the museum for 2020 and moving into 2021, a small group of volunteers have been busy keeping the museum in good shape so we can all enjoy it once again when we open. Thank you to all of them.

Any and all volunteers or members should be very aware that the FRRS/WPRM has limited resources during these times and we need to know who, if any, members will be visiting the museum for any reason. It is very important to make sure someone will be available at the museum and that it is in fact staffed so that you will not be disappointed should you arrive and find the gates locked.

We must keep the museum locked down, as we have had several people just show up expecting to get into the museum while we are closed.

Please contact our president, Greg Elems, should you wish to give a hand during this time that the museum is closed.

As we move into 2021, I would ask each and every member to consider taking the time to think about working on writing articles and other news articles for our publications. Both the *Headlight* and *Train Sheet* need articles to be able to publish them and get them out to our members.

We need help in both these areas and we have members who can help with proofreading materials and making suggestions and revision to them.

We also need more participation in our modeling committee, to help write articles and provide information so we can post more to the modeling section of the website.

At any time should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, I may not have an answer right away, however I will get one for you.

Kerry Cochran Director/General Superintendent