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## Reclaiming A Forgotten Railroad Open House Camel's Hump Scenic Railway Hosts: Dave & Becky Cozzens



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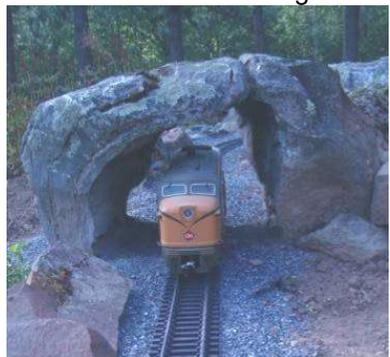


As many of you know keeping up with an outdoor railroad is a constant chore. When it gets neglected for even a short amount of time things can get out of hand in a hurry. A case in point: the Camel's Hump Scenic Railway. The railroad was started in 2005 and until recently had been well maintained. However, things happened: deer damaged the trestle work, wind knocked over a small tree and caused track damage, and family matters took away attention from the railroad. So, now what to do with plants that have

gone wild, track ballast that has washed away and rotting trestle work that is now falling apart. Well folks, all of that is now ancient history and Camel's Hump Scenic is now fully operational. As a result, Dave and Becky would love your attendance at an Open House that will take place Saturday, September 15th from 11:00 Am until 4:00 PM. Dave plans to have trains running but would like to see us have an all



Rutland train running in the afternoon. Jeff Colburn agreed to bring two Rutland RS-3's and Rutland caboose #51 to bookend the train. So please bring a Rutland box car or other Rutland logoed cars. Let's see how big a Rutland train can be



made up. Besides running trains, we plan to have a potluck meal around 12:30, so please bring a dish to share. We will supply paper goods, utensils and have a heaping pot of sloppy joes so no need to bring grill items. In case of rain the open house will be Sunday, the 16th at the same time. For more information or directions please email Dave at: [dbcozzens@yahoo.com](mailto:dbcozzens@yahoo.com). Please note the before and after pictures.



### From the Conductor

I would like to thank Don and Bernadette Howard for the fine open house for our 25th year.

Having the cake was a nice touch. VGRS members also decided to take part in the 2019 Vermont Flower Show and Carl and I will represent the group again. Remember fall is still a great time to enjoy your train before the winter snow flies. I look forward to seeing many VGRS members on Sept. 15th at the home of Dave and Becky Cozzens.

### Carl's Corner Carl Kokes

I just wanted to mention that John Joy and I attended the first of many Flower Show meetings. John was able to negotiate a stipend of \$250 for VGRS participation. That is twice the previous amounts. Great John. We hope VGRS members will keep the March 1-3 dates open to help with setup, supervision, and tear down as this is a huge undertaking. If you have some friends who you think might like to help and receive a free pass to the show please let John or myself know. We will keep you updated as we continue to meet.

### 25th Anniversary Open Don and Bernadette Howard

The August open house at the Howard's was very successful. It was nice to see quite a number of VGRS members as well as local friends were in attendance. The weather was great and the food was scrumptious. For dessert we had a 25th anniversary edition cake and ice cream. Yum, yum.

Don's newly reclaimed railroad ran smoothly as did the cog line. We would like to thank Don and Bernadette for opening their home to us.



Here is Bernadette showing one of her wonderful plants.



Don't forget to pay your dues for 2018