

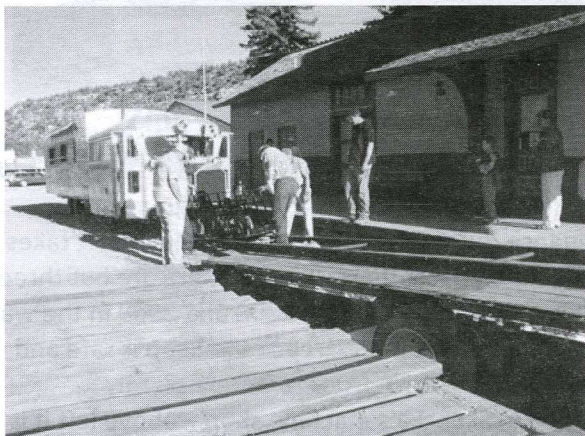
TRACK N' FEATHERS



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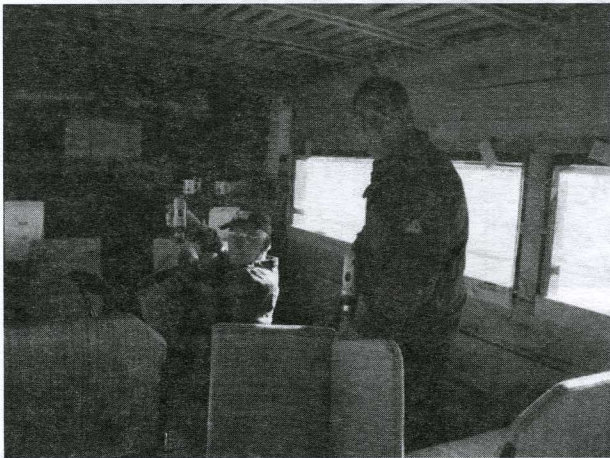
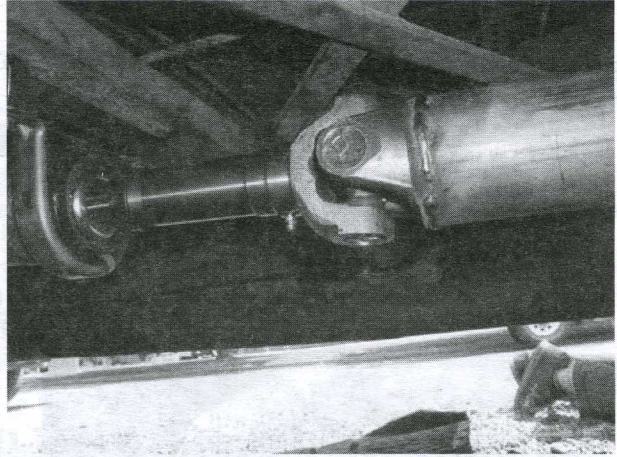
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A Look Behind the Scenes



Normally the pictures published in our *Track N' Feathers* newsletters show "photo run-bys" and scenery out on the line or the Galloping Goose sitting in a station somewhere. So, as a change of pace we thought this might be a good time to show some "behind the scenes" pictures of what it takes to operate this wonderful vehicle. As most of our readers know, Goose No. 5 lives in Dolores, Colorado; so to be able to operate on the railroads we visit, there must be a loading and unloading process. Skanska Construction Company of Cortez, Colorado has provided transportation for our Goose since 1998. The picture top left shows their flat-bed trailer after it has been backed into the concrete-lined pit in front of the RGS Depot in Dolores. In the next picture you see the Goose being driven onto the rails which are temporarily secured on the trailer. (This can sometimes be a tricky process due to the steep uphill angle of the rails on the trailer and the fact that the length of the Goose just barely fits on the trailer! Also, we have to pre-sand the rails for traction on the "hill" – the climb onto the trailer is about a 7.5% grade!) The bottom two pictures are taken at the Durango & Silverton Railroad's loading facility. The picture on the left was taken looking out the back door of the Goose as the truck is being slowly backed into the pit. This can also be a tricky process because the rails on the truck must be perfectly aligned with the rails on the ground so they can be joined together using rail joiners and bolts. And bottom right shows the truck now in place and we are getting ready to back the Goose onto the D&S loading track which leads directly into their rail yards.

More Behind the Scenes



Quite a bit of Galloping Goose No. 5 is over 75 years old! To keep her running requires a lot of ongoing maintenance during the "off season." (Much of it takes place in very cold weather!) Pictured here are but three examples of what was done in 2008 and 2009 in the way of mechanical and cosmetic repairs to keep it safe and comfortable. The "drive truck" was completely overhauled in Skanska's machine shop – above left it is being installed. (Notice the Goose has been taken in half for this procedure.) A new drive shaft was installed (above.) The wicker upholstery on the seats in the rear passenger compartment needed to be replaced. At left, Ed Latham and Louie Vallejos are at work on that project.

Goosefest at the Colorado Railroad Museum



On May 6, 2010 the Goose was transported to the Colorado Railroad Museum in Golden for the 2nd annual "Goosefest." Since this event is scheduled over the Mothers Day weekend the museum gives free admission to mothers. It is amazing how many mothers show up with little kids in tow! It is inspiring to see that next generation of railfans! Above left shows (left to right) Geese 5, 7, 6 and 2 in front of the roundhouse. Above right – the operating crews await the arrival of guests. The geese operated every half hour for 6 hours over the two days. Goose No. 5 alone hauled over 800 passengers during the event!

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C&TSRR – Excursions

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Cumbres & Toltec Scenic Railroad and GGHS have cancelled the June 17th thru June 20th 2010 excursion.

Goose #5 will return to C&TS for their 40th celebration from August 27th thru the 30th. Also, for "The Fall Color Specials", from September 30th thru October 4th as scheduled. Excursions from Chama to Antonito and back will be held with numerous run-bys to allow time for photographing the spectacular fall colors.

C&TS management have announced a 10% off full fare tickets to ride Goose #5 **(during the "Fall Color Special run ONLY September 30th thru October 3rd).** Bookings for these dates must be completed by August 15th 2010 to get the 10% discount. Please visit their website at www.cumbrestoltec.com or phone 1-888-286-2737 for details on the 40th celebration and the Fall Color excursions.

D&SNGRR – Railfest Excursion

Set for August 27th thru August 31st. Special new events are planned for this year. Visit their website at www.durangotrain.com or phone 1-888-872-4607 for details



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