

# Railway Historical Society Of San Diego

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## SDAE Consolidation #104 is donated to Del Mar!

### CLUB MEMBERS SEEK PRESERVATION OF FORMER OBSERVATION CAR #02

San Diego & Arizona Eastern Consolidation #104 is being donated by Southern Pacific-San Diego & Arizona Eastern to the 22nd District Agricultural Association for exhibition purposes at the Del Mar County Fairgrounds.

That's the word from S.D. & A.E.-S.P. officials according to Doug Duncan, RHSofSD president and Lyle Judd, RHSofSD treasurer.

Duncan and Judd also report that Southern Pacific officials in San Francisco have turned down the request for former observation car SDAE 02. They state that the car is too dilapidated for restoration. At the request of the two officers local SDAE officials have asked for a reconsideration of the decision. Duncan expresses optimism about the 02 project.

It is understood that locomotive #104 is now at the Bay Shore yards in San Francisco.

Bulletin No. 71 of the Railway and Locomotive Historical Society, Inc. gives the following data about the locomotive: 104 G-S 2-8-0 Baldwin No. 23899 1904 Ex-SP 2720. Acq. 1918. Returned to SP 5/1941.

The data follows an article about the SDAE by R.P. Middlebrook, Santa Fe engineer and RHSofSD member, and G.M. Best.

SDAE Consolidations were used on the main line for a number of years.

### MEMBERS URGED TO INVITE GUESTS

All members are urged to invite guests to the March 21 meeting. It is also suggested that members make advance reservations. Call JU 2-1726

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### MEMBERS SHOULD PLAN TO ATTEND MEETING PLANNED FOR NEXT MONDAY, MARCH 21

Doug Duncan, RHSofSD president, announced that the society will meet this coming Monday, March 21, at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Ed Shedaker. Meeting time is 8 p.m.

The address is 4559 Mataro Dr., San Diego 15. Drive east (from SD) on El Cajon Ave. to Rolando Blvd. Turn south on Rolando and watch for Mataro. Turn east again.

Duncan also announced that SDAE-SP officials Thomas Fielding and K.D. Frye, County Fairgrounds Secretary-Manager Paul Mennen, and Chamber of Commerce official R.T. Blair Jr. will be present at the meeting.

Plans call for a complete discussion of all problems relating to the locomotive (and car) preservation project. Problems include transportation of equipment from the spur to the exhibit site in the fairgrounds and also the work involved in restoring observation car 02.

### REMINDING ALL MEMBERS

RHS of SD MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 8 P.M.

HOME OF MR. & MRS. ED SHEDAKER

4559 MATARO DR., SAN DIEGO 15

### GERMAN PASSENGER EQUIPMENT

USED ON SONORA-BAJA CALIFORNIA RR.

Fourteen German-make passenger cars are in use on passenger trains of the Sonora-Baja California Railroad between Mexicali (Packard station) and Benjamin Hill.

Rumor has it that the railroad seeks through service between Mexico City and Los Angeles.