Greetings MOW folk and welcome to the new year! Let's start the year off with a late edition of the MOW Weekly Update.

WEEK IN REVIEW:

Tuesday: Sandy led the crew in the shops. Brenton worked on the scarifyer, he finished putting the teeth the machine and was able to start it up briefly. The tires were put back on the green machine after the brakes were repaired again. I am sure more happened on Tuesday but it will have to remain a mystery.

Thursday: The MOW crew was out reveling and having their own good time so we did not have a work crew on Thursday.

Saturday: Saturday was a busy day with a full crew. We split into teams. The first team lead by Chris went out and changed out the track inspector motor car which had locked itself in high gear. Lucky for us we had an extra inspector motor car to replace on a temporary basis. They also went down to Cliff's at Freeport to inspect the damage to the motor car in that container. While down there the operator at the marina informed them of a car parked along the tracks and also pointed out damage done to our ballast and tracks north of the marina by at least 4 tow trucks in their attempts to remove the car. The Rangers were called and dispatched.

The second team took the manlift out and continued trimming trees along the mainline in the Baths area.

WEEK AHEAD:

Tuesday: We will be busy in the shops doing great things in wondrous ways. If you want to be part of the magic and don't have to be a slave to labor we start at the shops at 3:00 p.m. and for the rest of us slaves 5:00 p.m.

Thursday: Again we will be active in the shops starting at 5:00 p.m. only

Saturday: This is the Day for the General meeting. You may all attend this meeting at the CSRM if you choose it starts in the morning with the first train of the year starting at 1:00 p.m. if you want to ride the train please email Dick Noonan at ssrrgm@surewest.net

PART 214 TRAINING BEGINS: Ok you happy MOW campers we are to that time of the year again when we all need to take 214 training again. We still need to confirm the room but please block out one of the following dates for your 214 training class. All persons working in MOW or on the tracks must take this course

Wednesday, January 13 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.mish. Saturday, January 23 at 9:00 a.m.

See you out on the line,

John, Sandy, and Chris