



Right On Track

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David at Stawell with his trophy, see inside for the full story

Management Committee

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Next Committee meeting
7:30pm Monday 4th August 2008

Swapmeet and Clubrooms Open Day

Sunday 27th July
10:00 am – 1:00 pm
NMRI Clubrooms

We will be running this as a combined swapmeet and open day, our main layout will be running and some members will be on hand to show visitors around and promote the club. The intention is to cross promote the event to increase attendance.

Please note the new times.

More details: events@noarail.com

We are fully booked out for sellers and if this is anything to go by this should be a well attended day. There has also been some extensive advertising on the radio.

Our Exhibition 2008

11th – 12th October
9:30 am – 5:00 pm Saturday
9:30 am – 4:00 pm Sunday
Mitsubishi Entertainment Centre
1284 South Road Clovelly Park SA 5042
\$3 Kids \$6 Adults \$15 Families

Over 25 layouts and displays expected
A helper list is on the noticeboard

Renmark Show

Saturday 25th October
10:00 am – 5:00 pm
Renmark Oval

One-day display at the Renmark Show, The Committee have decided that we will do this show so please get your name on the attendance list on the noticeboard so that we can confirm the numbers with the organisers.

Swapmeet

Friday 7th November
7:30 pm – 9:00 pm
NMRI Clubrooms.

Reynella Fair

Sunday 23rd November
Reynella Oval.

Details as they become known.

Celebration

Saturday 6th December
Time and location TBA

In December our clubrooms will be 10 years old, it has been suggested that we celebrate. Please make your ideas known to the Committee so that arrangements can be made.

Swapmeet

Friday 13th February
7:30 pm – 9:00 pm
NMRI Clubrooms.

Steam Up at Pichi Richi

April
To be confirmed
Quorn workshops

This is only a maybe at this stage but there is some talk of us doing a display at Quorn for the Pichi Richi. More details as they come to hand.

Stawell Exhibition

While not as freezing as usual, it was still cold at Stawell and as we had experienced this exhibition before we were prepared, lots of warm clothing is the best defence. A total of nine members ventured across the boarder to display our wares at the exhibition organised by the Grampian Model Railroaders.

There were about 40 layouts, traders and displays including a modelling competition and a good range of scales from Waddamama Power Station in Z scale to the full size Dunmunkle Sunpoilers who were outside on the grass with their collection of old engines,. Paradigm was display number 35 and in floor space probably the largest, we were surrounded by many familiar layouts, to the left was Powelltown, opposite was Kangaroo and Cockatoo Railway on our right the Ready To Run Group and behind was Mount Ash.



Above: The crowd anticipates the next run of Thomas and friends on Paradigm

Because we had a small crew there was not the usual spare time to stand and talk, but I did manage to get to a fairly good look at most of the displays and especially those that I had not seen previously. Several layouts caught my attention as potential invitees for future NMRI exhibitions and contact details were duly extracted from their owners. Demand for our own exhibition must be gaining momentum as during the weekend several people asked me about getting space to display a layout or to sell their goods, this must mean that we are doing things right and the word is getting out.



Above: One of the many locos on the scratch and kit building display by Peter and Nathan McDonald

Below: “Millabah”, a privately owned layout



It was not until Saturday morning that David realised that after carefully packing his coaches in their new travelling container before leaving for the weekend that he had forgotten to also include the locos. After plenty of stirring from all present some loan locos were arranged from a member of the Grampian Model Railroaders. We, and especially David, thank them for their help as it would have been a pain to push the coaches by hand. At the Saturday night festivities a trophy was presented for the biggest stuff up and you guessed it, David won it by a large margin, the only other contender was a spilt cup of coffee.

Other more serious trophies on the night were to Little River Logging for best layout as voted by peers and also one for best structure. There were also awards for best loco, coach, etc but this reporter was a little slack and not paying enough attention at the time to record who won them. An encouragement award was given to Tierbahn a three level setup that created a lot of interest.



Above: A Climax crosses the trestle on “The Beachy” a beautiful On30 layout



Above: "Tierbahn", an interesting triple level layout

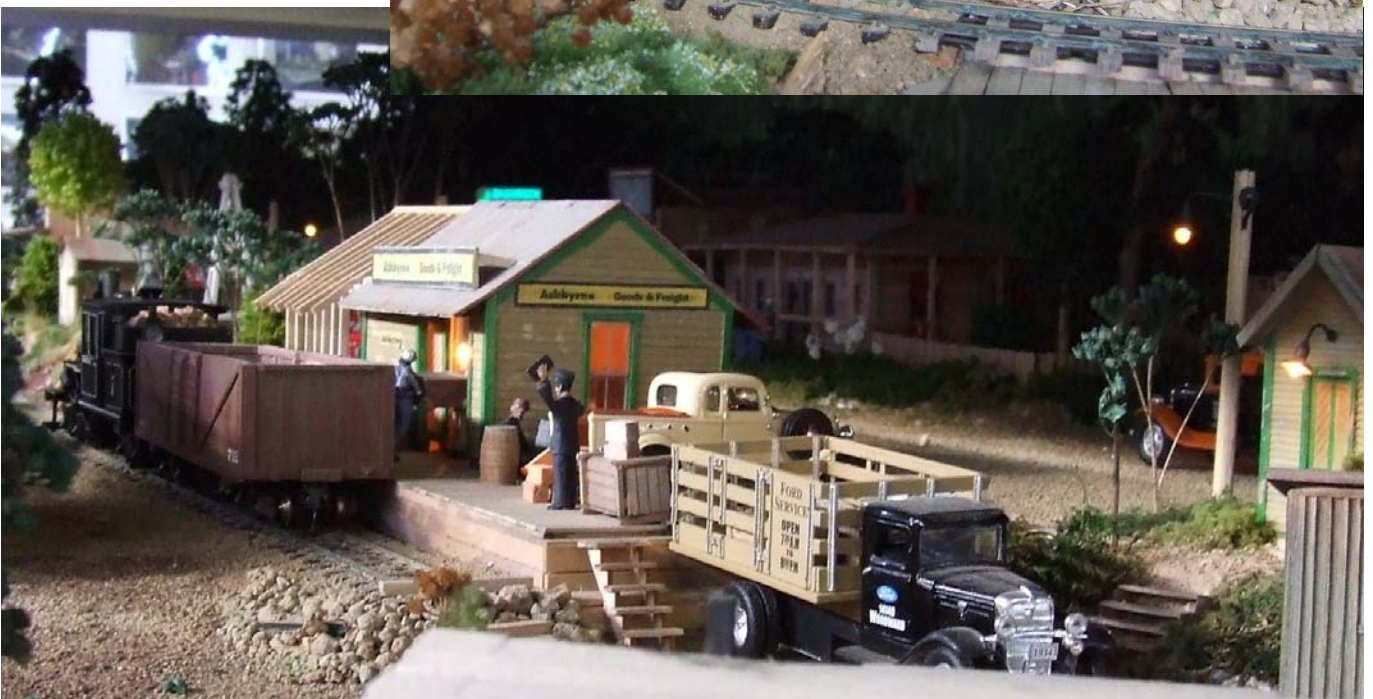
Below: a scene from Tee Tree



At pack up time the public voting was announced and in first place was Poweltown, Kangaroo and Cockatoo came second and we with Paradigm were in third place. It is nice to know that we put on another good showing.



This page:
Ashburn, a layout built
with a roof and very dim
lighting to set the scene at
dusk



End Of The Line Hobbies

Your One Stop Hobby Shop

End Of The Line Hobbies is offering club members a 5% discount off all purchases. To be eligible you must be a current financial member and mention your club membership at the time of purchase. The club will receive the same amount as a voucher for use as we see fit. So you can help yourself and the club at the same time.

Delivery can be arranged anywhere in the world and orders may be placed in person at the shop, via e-mail, snail mail, phone or fax. There is a stock hold option and payments can be made by Visa Card, Master Card, EFTPOS and good old fashioned cash!

Wednesday – Sunday 10:00 am – 4:30 pm

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A little late, but we now have our plaque for Best Layout as voted by the public from the 2006 Ballarat exhibition.



Exhibitions

The Renmark and District Show Society Inc. have asked us to do a display at the Renmark Show on Saturday 25th October 10 am – 5 pm. This will be indoors on a flat floor and sleeping would be allowed in the venue. The Committee has decided to attend so if you have not already done so, get your name on the list.

There is a list on the noticeboard for members to show their interest for all coming events, please tick the box(s) or add you name if it is not already there. Please fill it out ASAP

Helping out

The current focus is on making the clubrooms ready for our coming Swapmeet and Open Day, The dolomite has been done in the carpark, the shelters are sorted and because of the demand for tables we have acquired an extra shelter and 4 more tables.

Thanks to all that have helped with everything so far, the curtains look great and hide all the mess.

Have a look on the noticeboard for the usual list for volunteers to help at the swapmeets for this year; we will need a few extra helpers to set up for, and run the layout at the July Open Day and Swapmeet.

As there will be a bit extra to do on the day, helpers are required to be at the club at 7:30 am on the day

Our Exhibition

Acceptances have been sent out, and now the details of the weekend must be sorted, once the open day is over I will organise a meeting of the team leaders to get the serious planning underway.

Recycling

Cans and bottles are collected by the club for recycling; there is a blue container under the main layout for this purpose. Members are asked to please rinse cans before putting them in the bin as the sticky mess that otherwise results attracts ants and is hard to clean up.

New Members

Another new member has joined our ranks this month, welcome to Alan Roberts.

We must be doing something right as we are now at the highest number of members ever, so the club is looking very strong.

WWW

If you are looking for something a little different, here are some remote control cars in HO http://youtube.com/watch?v=BUMZq4Sgo_0

It is about 9 minutes of footage, unfortunately all in German.

Swindle Prizes

It is now less than 3 months away and these things come around fast, so members are asked to once again dig out items suitable as swindle prizes at our exhibition next October. I have seen some items arriving so thank you to the donors of them, but we still need some more.

We also would like some people to volunteer to make some cakes etc for sale through the canteen and for use in the exhibitor lounge.

Don't forget to fill in the helpers list for this event, there is also a box to tick if you wish to attend the Saturday night meal and swindle.

Visitors

Members are reminded that for security reasons all non members must also be signed in when they visit, even if it is for just a short time, this can be done on the bottom of the member sign in sheet.

Opening Times

The clubrooms are open

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| Tuesdays from | 7:30 pm – 9:00 pm |
| Saturdays from | 2:00 pm – 6:00 pm |
| Thursdays from | 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm |

A key holder may offer to stay back late on a Saturday night and an evening meal may be decided on, but members are requested to clean up after.