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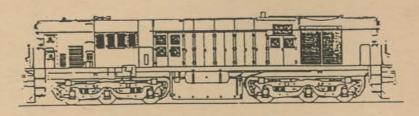
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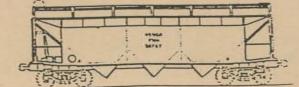












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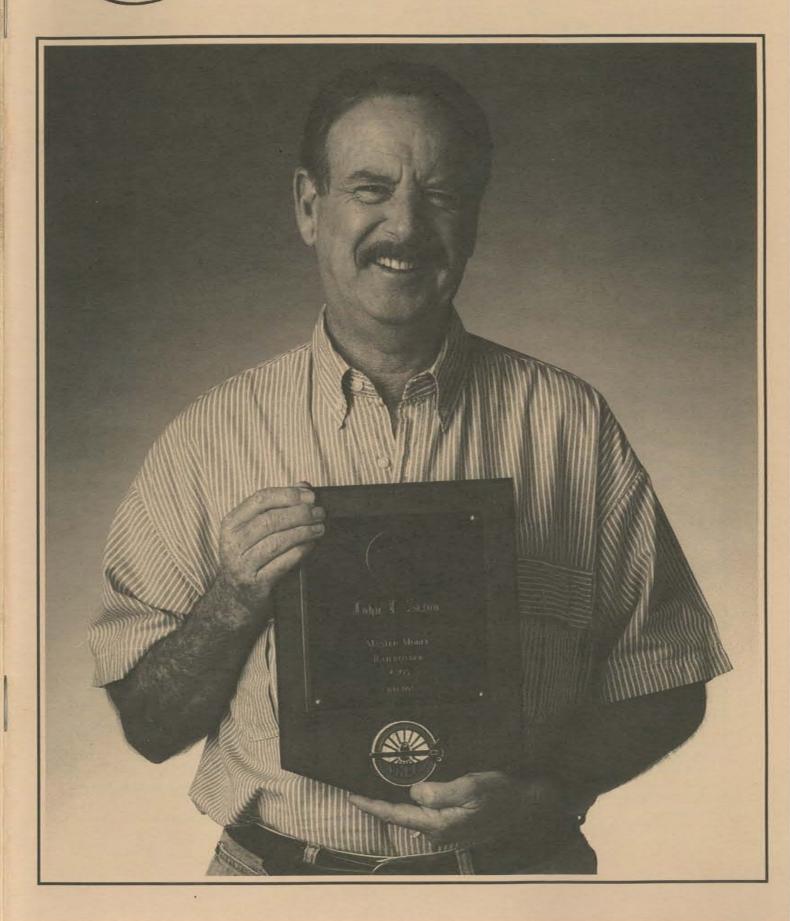






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On The Cover

Congratulations to John Saxon on achieving the position of Master Model Railroader #203 (the fourth MMR for Australia).

Regional Meeting Schedule

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Bob Kollwyn	7 Second Avenue
2.00pm	(02) 636 6907
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20th Nov	VIC Sunbury
Laurie Green	20 Nambour Drive
11.30 am	(03) 7445188
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14th May '94

Mini Convention Somerton Road, Bulla, Melboume Victoria

The Convention will be held at the Bulla Community Centre, Bulla. First of all is for you to know where Bulla is. Those driving from NSW will turn off the Hume Highway just before the massive Ford Motor Works, into Somerton Road, 15 minutes and you are at Bulla. For those who will be flying to Melbourne, its only a 10 minute taxi ride from the airport towards Sunbury. There are a number of good cheap hotel/motels within walking distance.

There will be four layouts (On3, HOn3, N, HO) at the convention as well as clinics, trade stands, modelling and photo contests. A quality evening meal has been planned to end the day.

There will also be information for activities on the Sunday, although these are not part of the Mini Convention. Visit Puffing Billy, Eltham live steamers, Melbourne Train Museum, Ride a Tram or just return to Sydney via Bendigo and see their historic trams.

A more complete program will be printed in the next issue of Main Line. Keep the weekend free and visit our first convention in Victoria.

26th Nov	VIC Maryborough
Russell Asprey	Lot 2 Mosquito Road
11.30 pm	BBQ (054) 612923
Gerry Hopkins MMR	Zig Zag Railway
10.00 am	First Train Dept at 10.30 am
13th Nov	NSW Clarence
Lyndon Spence	53 Springfield Street
2.00 pm	(042) 71 5386
15th Oct	NSW Figtree
2.00 pm	(03)744 5188
24th Sep	VIC Sunbury
Laurie Green	20 Nambour Drive

Presidents Report

As reported elsewhere in the Main Line it is with much sadness that we mark the passing of one of our members Kay Upton. My fondest memory of Kay is one that typifies her commitment and courage. On the Sunday evening at the Convention this year who did I find working away in the clean up crew at 10pm helping to restore order to the main hall? You guessed it, Kay, working alongside Colin and the few who still remained. This was during a brief remission from the leukemia she had contracted last year. Kay attended virtually all the meetings and only 4 weeks ago she and Colin were at the layout visit at Mike Hallinan's despite knowing that the leukemia had become active once again. I will miss Kay and extend my personal sympathies to Colin and her sons John and Jamie.

Now for something for the future. The Date for our Mini Convention next year in Victoria has been finalised. Saturday May the 14th 1994 at the Bulla Community Centre in Bulla Victoria. Bulla is a small community 10 minutes drive from Tullamarine airport and is on the north western outskirts of Melbourne. It is approximately 15 minutes drive from the Hume Highway and about 30 minutes from the centre of Melbourne.

The facility is almost brand new and is in a lovely rural environment. Accommodation is available at very reasonable rates only 250 meters from the venue and within a 10 minutes drive all standards of accommodation are available due to the proximity of the international airport.

We are holding a full days convention with clinics by Victorian Modellers and there will be 4 layouts operating at the venue.

Refreshments will be available all day at the venue and in the evening a "Roving Roast" Style dinner will be provided by a local catering company. The after dinner speaker has yet to be finalised and I will keep you informed as details come to hand.

In addition to a full day of clinics we will be having all our usual convention fare, Model Contest, Silent Auction, Company Store and prize presentations etc. Laurie Green is Convention Chairman and with his extensive experience as the organiser of the Sunbury Model Railway exhibition we are in for a great day. The local area has lots to offer the train buff for the Sunday and a really great weekend is coming up.

Don't forget mark your diary now May 14th Sunbury Victoria.

In this issue are the nomination forms for all committee positions in our coming elections. The AGM will be held at Kevin Brown's new house on February 19th and the new committee members will be announced. The details on some minor changes to the constitution are also in this issue. These changes will be voted upon at the AGM. Please consider nominating for a position on the Board. I have to stand down and so does the Vice President Glen Coventry. Our Constitution only allows 2 consecutive 2 year terms (thank goodness) for our 2 positions and it is essential to keep new ideas flowing. I have enjoyed my time as president and wish to thank all the members of the committee and membership who have been involved with the running and staging events and meetings over the last few year. Get your nominations in now and really get involved in the hobby.

Sowerby Smith

Meeting Reports

Port Kembla

14th August

For a change of pace our August meeting was

a trip to Wollongong to inspect several prototype facilities. I wasn't too sure what turnout we would get. Who would want to travel

to Wollongong? Who would want to look at NSW prototype? Well, about 20 of us, enough to make it worthwhile.

We had arranged to start the tour at Port Kembla station, so people could travel down by train if they wished. When we found out track work on the line was causing extensive delays we had no way of even knowing who planned to come by rail. As it turned out, one group still came by rail, from Newcastle, but we were able to pick them up when they arrived.

Our first stop was the coal unloader, in time to watch a train unloading. In theory, the train is pulled through the shed at a constant speed, but it seemed the conveyor couldn't cope, the discharge bin filled up, and they had to stop the train several times to let the bin clear.

Next door was the brand new, fully automated wagon repair shed, with hydraulic lifts for wagons and bogies, computerised repair records, and where the work formally done by 18 unions is now done by one.

Finally to the railcar repair shop. Here is where the 600 and 900 class railcars used on the Bomaderry run are maintained. These seem to be on borrowed time now, to be replaced shortly by the new Explorer or Endeavour class, which will apparently be serviced elsewhere. Outside the shop we were able to climb in and over some 48 and 422 class locos.

Those I spoke to enjoyed the tour and feel an occasional prototype visit makes a nice change. Thanks to Peter Jenkinson for arranging the tour, and to Mr Peter Edwards of the SRA who showed us around.

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Mike Hallinan

18th August

Spring in the garden! Mike kindly invited us to his house to coincide with the Broadmeadow Exhibition, which meant we could go to both on the one trip.

He has what must be the ideal location for a

garden railroad. It starts at his back door and climbs up a tree covered hill. Here is a railroad that is really going somewhere, where the cuts and hills are there for a purpose, and the Howe Truss bridge spans a real water course. A bonus of being on a hillside is that the path beside the track is at a lower level, and the trains are at knee height or higher, instead of at ground level — mush nicer to watch, and you're not so likely to kick them.

Mike has hand laid the track on specially cut ties on a concrete roadbed, and ballasted with kitty litter. Track laying is about half complete, awaiting construction of a large curved trestle. As far as I know all the locos and cars are LGB & Bachmann, modified for radio control, and fitted with KD's.

As my close vision goes down the gurgler with advancing years, G scale looks increasingly attractive. Thanks Mike!

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Brian Nickless

30th October

We had a roll up of around 40 members for our meeting at Brian's house, including some new members and visitors, which was nice to see.

Brian's railroad, the On3 "Beaver Creek", which sits in a large extension of his garage, runs D&RGW and South Park locos. He has just completed the mainline oval, and behind that a spectacular logging branch is under way. Whether the layout is at elbow height, like Brian's, or at eye level like Geo Paxon's [see June '93 report] it sure is nice to see those hefty O scale models roll. It's interesting to see how big the narrow gauge locos compare to the standard gauge British locos at recent Broadmeadow exhibition.

Brian kindly put on some sausages for afternoon tea, and we were able to sit in his back yard, and eat, and watch the emus next door! Thank you Brian, for having us to your place, and to Rick and Anthony for cooking the snags.

Glen Coventry

Narrow Gauge Convention - Denver '94

For those of you who intend to go to the NG convention in August 1994 the following from Laurie Green will be of great interest.

There are several special freight and passenger train trips being organized over the Cumbres & Toltec narrow gauge railroad between Chama and Antonito, part of the old D & R G W line to Durango. These trips are being organised by Jim Trowbridge of Denver, Colorado and include a trip headed by K27 No. 463 and a double headed freight/passenger train with the K27 and a K37. All the trips have plenty of photo runbys. If you would like some information flyers you can contact me, Laurie Green on (03) 744 5199 (AH) or through P.O. Box 435, Sunbury, Victoria 3429.

Laurie Green

Division Three -- Meeting Reports

On **14th August** we travelled to Maryborough to visit Peter Myers. After greeting other members we adjourned to the layout room to inspect the progress of the new On3 layout, a small Climax is the motive power.

A simple walk-in round-the-wall layout with a peninsula, point to point, is the plan at this time. Scenery has been commenced and looks good.

Following an enjoyable barbecue lunch the forthcoming convention plans were discussed with positive comments by all.

We then drove to Russell Asprey's home to inspect progress on the large O scale layout. Scenery has advanced to the spectacular. Discussion and photos followed.

After examining the latest construction in the workshop we returned to Myers' home for afternoon tea.

Thanks to the crew at Maryborough for an enjoyable day.

On 18th September the destination was at my home in Ballarat and, being a fine and mild day, outside was the place to be. Before lunch the layout was inspected, trains were running on both levels. Double deck design was discussed. During and after lunch Laurie reviewed the progress of arrangements and style of programming for the mini convention next year; the venue will be easily accessible from major highways; and the possible costs.

The meeting schedule for '94 was worked out. The was followed by a display of members' latest projects. Laurie had some of his On3 models, Some S scale kits were also on show.

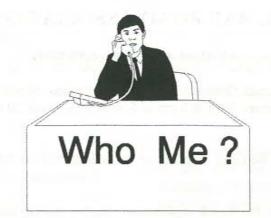
The members were invited by the president of the local club, Peter Ervin, to inspect the club layouts, both HO and N . Our guests were suitably impressed.

Afternoon tea was followed by a discussion of the types of clinics that would be interesting for the mini convention.

Thanks to those who attended and those who helped.

Paul Richie

A shy lad like me would never have c o n s i d e r e d nominating for a place on the Board. I had not known many people in the NMRA for very long, had no idea how it was run, and was, [and still am] a third rate modeller.



But 2^1I_2 years ago I was invited to join the Board to fill a casual vacancy, and since then Have been involved in the administration of the Region, including 2 Conventions. As well as learning a great deal more about our hobby and the association, I've formed closer social and modelling ties with other members. And I have found a way to partially rep ay those who came before me and allowed me to get so much out of the hobby.

So if you have never considered nominating, perhaps you are just the person who should. If you don't feel you're ready for that step, there are always other tasks which can use your help. Right now the

Board members do most of these tasks, and you may not even be aware they have to be done. Certainly its not necessary that they be done by a board member. So if there's something specific you'd like to do, or if you just want to help but don't know how, please talk to a member of the board.

Whether you serve on your board or in any other capacity, I'm sure you'll get just as much out of it as you put in I have.

Glen Coventry

Exhibition Report

The Broadmeadow Model Railway Exhibition was held on 18th & 19th September. A number of us attended on Saturday after an informal meeting at Mike Hallinan's (see Separate report) I had not been to this exhibition before, though I had heard many good reports of it and I wasn't disappointed.

There were several interesting layouts I had not seen before. It's good to be taken away from the primary interest that most of us have in American railroads and see British, European, and Australian prototypes.

Haldenstien was a Swiss narrow gauge layout, depicting a station where narrow and standard gauges interchange. Melton Bridge was an O scale British layout with

some neat little tank and tender locos. Wingham was an understated layout of a rather typical NSW country station.

Just 2 weeks later the Liverpool Exhibition gave another chance to see how the other half lives. Of the layouts I had not seen before, the one I most enjoyed was a Queensland Railways Layout with kit-built narrow gauge QR steamers.

The NMRA was situated in an annex to the main hall along with the layouts of Phil Knife and Gerry Hopkins. The stand was manned continually for the three days, generating interest in the association and attracting some new members. Thanks to all of you who manned the stand and promoted your association.

Glen Coventry

NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the National Model Railroad Association Incorporated will be held on Saturday 19th February 1994 at 2 pm at 5 Afternoon Court, St Clair, NSW. The business of this meeting will be as follows:

- Receive a report from the Board of Directors of the activities of the Association since incorporation on 2 October 1992.
- Receive a statement from the Board of Directors on the income and expenditure, and the assets and liabilities, of the Association.
- Consider a resolution that the minutes of this meeting be confirmed at the next meeting of the Board of Directors.
- 4. Consider Special Resolutions numbers 1, 2 and 3 (as separately notified).
- Declare the result of the elections for the Board of Directors.

Each member is entitled to appoint another member as proxy if they are unable to attend the meeting in person. Proxies must be received by the Secretary no later than 24 hours before the time of the meeting. A form for the appointment of a proxy is included with this notice. It should be noted that the Rules of Association permit a member to hold only one proxy for another member at any meeting of the Association.

Philip a Knife, MMR Secretary

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given of the election of office bearers of the Association and ordinary members of the Board of the Directors. The following positions will become vacant at the Annual General Meeting of the Association to be held in February 1994:

President	Ordinary Member	Superintendent, Division 1
Vice President	Ordinary Member	Superintendent, Division 2
Secretary	Ordinary Member	Superintendent, Division 3
Treasurer		Superintendent, Division 4
Trustee		Superintendent, Division 5
		Superintendent, Division 6

Nominations for these positions must be made on the form provided with this notice, and must be received by the Secretary no later than thirty days before the date set for the Annual General Meeting (AGM). Should there be more than one nomination for any position, then a postal ballot will be held during the period before the AGM. Ballots for the officers of the Association and for the ordinary members of the Board of Directors will be conducted among the whole membership. Ballots for Superintendents of Divisions will be held among members within those Divisions only. The election will be declared at the AGM.

Philip A Knife, MMR Secretary

BUILDING THE C & EI 55 TON COMPOSITE GONDOLA.

Part 4.

The last big step is to finish the model

Spray painting is recommended if you used styrene for the model. I don't think brush painting conveys the proper texture to a car made of styrene, but you may have had better luck than I have had.

by painting, decaling and weathering it.

.....This model is ideal for spraying as masking is not required......

If you have never sprayed a model or do not have access to the necessary equipment and want to give spraying a go, give me a call and we can arrange a time to do it in my workshop. I am not a painting expert, but I know enough to get reasonable results and would be glad to share my limited knowledge with anyone. This model is ideal for spraying as masking is not required. Colour seperation can be obtained by the angle at which the car is held during spraying and by using a small card to protect against overspray.

If you decide to brush paint and the model is constructed of styrene, you will need to use plastic compatible paint or prime the model with a barrier to ensure the paint does not craze the styrene.

Begin by painting the underside of the car. Use brown or dark gray but not black. The only time a railroad car had a black underbody was the first morning after it rolled out of the paint shop. After a short period of use the underside of the cars were covered with dust, dirt, rust

By Geo Paxon

and grime and the underbody appeared to the eye as either brown or gray. Painting the underbody a gray or brown improves the visibility of the details and softens this area of the car as opposed to using black which tends to hide the detail.

The next finish step I recommend would be to paint the inside of the car a medium gray to represent the weathered wood. The steel brackets inside the car will need to be painted a rusty dirty brown. This is best done by hand with a brush after the inside of the car has been painted gray.

.....add a dab of white paint to "weather" the red.....

I he outside of this car was a standard freight car red. Not many gondolas sported new paint due to the hard usage encountered. I use a red such as Floquil ATSF Mineral Brown, Box Car Red or Tuscan Red and add a dab of white paint to "weather" the red to a more commonly seen sun-faded shade of red. Weather the red to suit your taste and paint the outside surfaces of the car.

The car could be lettered for many roads. If the prototype C & EI is to be modeled, appropriate decals are available from Champion Decal Co and Walthers. no set is specifically made for this car, so I found it necessary to combine parts of several sets. Champion sets N-107, for "O" Gauge, and HN-107 for "HO" will provide the C & EI roadnames. Similarly, Walthers 936-36100, for "O", and 934-

36100, for "HO" can be used. Left over hopper and gondola car decal sets can provide a good source of capacity and size data for a standard 55 ton (110,000 pound) car. If no leftovers are available, obtain decals for any 55 ton gondola and put the roadnames in your leftover box.

After the decals are applied and have dried and set, use a sharp hobby knife to cut through the decals at the board joints. Cuts can also be made where the weathering in the wood is severe. Add more decal set to cause the decals to follow the contour of the joints and weathering.

Weathering of this car is recommended as it would have had a beaten and down trodden look while in service.

I have had good luck using black shoe dye diluted with methyl alcohol to make a thin weathering wash. It is instant and permanent, however.

.....Brown chalk on the steel parts will represent rust.....

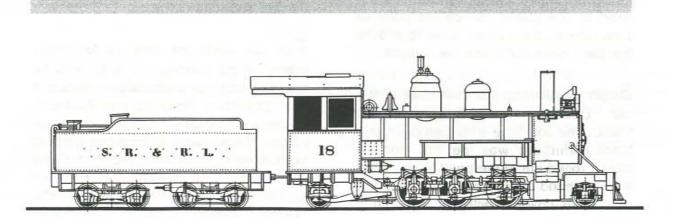
Chalk is also a most effective weathering medium and provides an opportunity to experiment with the weathering effect.

Use a charcoal or black chalk dust to weather wooden parts to include the inside of the car. Brown chalk on the steel parts will represent rust quite effectively. Chalk is available in sticks in art supply stores in a wide variety of colours. I also use standard coloured school chalk as it is easier to find. Use your hobby knife to scrape a little chalk from the stick onto a piece of card, dip a small but stiff brush into the powdered chalk dust, and scrub it onto the car.

Feel free to experiment. If the effect resulting from your first weathering attempt with chalk is not acceptable, the chalk can be wiped away with a damp piece of cloth or paper towel. Allow the car to dry, then begin again.

When the chalk weathering process achieves the desired effect, seal the chalk with a flat finish. Floquil makes a weathering colour they call "Dust". I find this a most effective over spray for sealing decals and weathering.

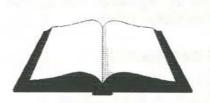
That should finish your model of the C & EI composite gondola. Bring your completed model along to an NMRA meeting to show it to other members. With any luck the modeling bug will bite them as well.



THE LIBRARY CAR

By Geo Paxon

Recently I was asked if I would take on the role of Regional librarian to relieve Glen Coventry of that task as he was already quite busy as both a Regional officer and the Chairman of the recently completed and very successful Convention. I was glad to assist the Region in this position. The *Main Line* editor was kind enough to make some space available for this column from time to time to help me help the other members.



In the days of long distance passenger travel by train it was not uncommon in North America

where I came from for lounge and parlour cars to include a substantial library of classical and modern books to provide entertainment for the traveller. Similarly the tea train serving the remote outposts across the Nullarbor includes a library car where families can borrow books when doing their weekly shopping as the train stops at their camp. Given all that I thought the name "Library Car" to be appropriate for this column. I note the NMRA *Bulletin* uses the same name for a similar column! The purpose of this column will be to provide information on library services available to members of the Region.

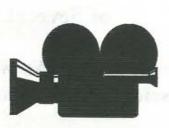
One of the great benefits of active participation in the activities of the NMRA is the opportunity it provides to increase our skills and knowledge of modelling and prototype practice. Contests, layout visits, clinics, informal get-togethers, and modelling and prototype discussions certainly provides ideas and encouragement.

Another NMRA activity that over the years has proven to be of great value in assisting modellers to improve their s k i I I s a n d knowledge is the tape and slide clinics available to members on a loan basis. These tapes



and slide clinics historically have been a source of information on basic modelling skills, modelling tricks and ideas, prototype information, and progress made on well known individual and club layouts. These clinics could be of particular value in assisting many of our members living some distance from the major metropolitan centres in Australia and New Zealand and having limited opportunities to meet with other modellers and exchange ideas and knowledge.

The tape and slide clinics mostly have been presented in a 35 mm slide format

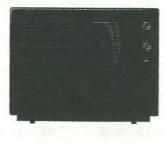


accompanied by a cassette sound track. To use the clinics a conventional 35 mm slide projector and a cassette tape player are required. Such

technology is now dated by the introduction of videos; however, much of the information remains as valid and helpful as it ever was and can be of great assistance to both beginning and experienced modellers. The NMRA is moving to update the loan clinics and eventually hopes to have all clinics available in video format. At this time we have some clinics available as videos. But

the full conversion process will be slow due to the expense and time required to accomplish the conversion.

In the meantime modellers can continue to take advantage of the opportunity to increase skills and knowledge by borrowing and



viewing the tape and slide clinics.

It has long been suspected that one reason utilisation rates for out tapes and slides is low is that members are not aware of the content of clinics.

Through the **Main Line** in the future I will attempt to provide a brief synopsis of our clinics as well as our other library assets to assist members in identifying those that are of particular interest.

Clinics can be borrowed simply by contacting me by phone or mail. I can be reached in the evenings at (02) 337 6093. My work telephone is (02) 879 9155, but I travel quite a bit so leave a message and please be patient. My address is 31 Hopetoun Avenue, VAUCLUSE NSW 2030 AUSTRALIA if you care to write. The current cost to borrow a clinic is \$6(A) to cover the cost of shipping. After the clinic has been viewed, members musty return the clinic in its container promptly by registered mail so that it may be made available to others.

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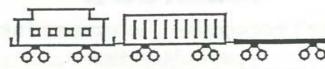
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Special Resolution No. 1

"That the following new rule be added to the Rules of Association:

Divisional Structure

1.4.1 For the purposes of local representation and ease of administration, the area in which the Objects of the Association operate is divided into six Divisions as follows:

The State of Queensland Division 1

The State of New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory. Division 2

The States of Victoria and Tasmania. Division 3

Division 4 The State of Western Australia and the Northern Territory.

Division 5 The Dominion of New Zealand.

Division 6 The State of South Australia.

1.4.2 Each Division will elect a Superintendent, who is a member of the BOD. (See 3.2, 3.3 and 3.8)."

This addition to the Rules of Association is necessary to reflect the reality of how the Australasian Region of the NMRA is organised. By itself, it does not change anything in the way the Region operates, except that the old Division 4 (WA, SA & NT)has been changed to make South Australia a Division in its own right.

Special Resolution No 2

"That the Rules of Association be amended as follows:

Rule 3.2.2, last line, change "(5 in all)" to read "(6 in all)".

This rule lists the members of the Board of Directors (BOD), and the "5 in all" refers to the number of Divisional Superintendents. The BOD has resolved to increase this to six Divisions (see Special Resolution No 1), so this particular Rule needs to be changed to reflect this increase.

Special Resolution No 3

"That the following new rule be added to the Rules of Association:

3.3.9 Notwithstanding clause 3.3.7 above, the election for the Trustee may be held at a different time to that of the other office bearers. As the Trustee is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the NMRA, that organisation may conduct the election for the Trustee in accordance with their rules, calling for nominations from eligible members of the Association. When this occurs, the retiring Trustee will remain in office after the annual general meeting of the Association until the election for the incoming Trustee is held and declared."

The parent NMRA may be conducting the elections for all Region Trustees in the future, instead of the separate Regions, as has been the practise. Our Rules of Association need to be amended to reflect this change of procedure if we are to avoid a conflict.

Nomination For Election To The Board Of Directors

Proposer
I, (name in full) hereby nominate the following member (name in full)
Signed
Seconder
I, (name in full)
Signed
Nominee
I, (name in full) agree to be nominated to the position as stated. I declare that I am also a member in good standing of the Association.
Signed

Procedure for B.O.D. Elections

If more the one nomination is received for a particular position, then an election must be held for that position. If only one nomination is received, then that person is declared duly elected. If no nominations are received, then that position becomes a casual vacancy, which the B.O.D. fills by appointment.

No one member may hold more than one position on the B.O.D. at any one time, nor may any member stand for more than one position at any one election. Therefore, If a member is nominated for more than one B.O.D. position, then he or she must decide which position they will stand for.

WANTED - No Reward

Articles for this magazine....model or prototype....food for thought.....modelling tips.....modelling dreams.....questions for the "experts". The more articles that the editor receives gives you, the reader, a better mix of articles. So please, put pen to paper, finger(s) to the computer, dictate to your secretary/wife/girlfriend and keep those articles comming.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Elsewhere in this issue of Main Line you will find formal notices of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of our Association, and of the election of office bearers for 1994/1995. The AGM will be held in Sydney, where the majority of our members live and where the present Board of Directors meets, during the normal monthly meeting of the membership in February 1994. By our Rules of Incorporation, twenty members at an AGM comprises a quorum. However, provision is made for out-oftown members to vote on special resolutions by proxy. There is a form for appointment of a proxy with the other notices in this issue. Please use this facility if you can't attend the meeting in person. However, please note that any one member can hold only one proxy at any one time. This was purposely done in our Rules of Incorporation to prevent the BOD of the time, or any faction in the membership, from "stacking" a meeting. However, if you want to vote by proxy at this meeting and don't know anyone who might be going, you can send me a blank signed proxy form and I will attempt to find someone to vote for you. Note that you must state your voting intentions on the form.

At this forthcoming AGM there are three special resolutions which the BOD are asking you to vote on. All three relate to amendments to the Rules of Association (our Constitution), and each has an explanatory comment with it. There is nothing startling or contentious in these resolutions. When we became incorporated, we didn't state our Divisional structure in the original Rules. The first resolution corrects this oversight. It also ratifies an earlier BOD decision to make South Australia a Division in its own right. The second resolution simply corrects the number of Superintendents on the BOD to show this change.

The third special resolution has been made necessary by the decision of the parent NMRA in the USA to organise the elections for the Trustee of each Region from the Head Office in Chattanooga. We will still be calling for nominations as usual, but they will send out ballot papers (if there is more than one nomination) rather than us. Rather a ponderous procedure, but that's the way they want to do it, because the Trustee is a member of their Board of Trustees as well as our own Region BOD.

We do need people to nominate for positions on the Board of Directors. Some of the present BOD members do not intend to re-nominate and, besides, new blood is always needed to ensure that new ideas are considered and that our Association doesn't go stale. At present, for practical purposes, the BOD meets in Sydney, so office bearers need to be able to get to Sydney once a month for meetings. However, wherever you live, if you feel you can contribute and you can find the necessary nominators and seconders, please put your name forward. For out-of-towners again, you can always send me a signed nomination form, and I will attempt to find a nominator and seconder. Of course, Superintendents are by definition out-of-towners, and do not have an obligation to attend BOD meetings

Please help to ensure the continuing success of our Association by participating as you are able in the administrative and management processes that are behind it

Phil Knife MMR

Obituary

At 8am On the 22nd of September Kay Upton lost her courageous fight against leukemia. Kay will be remembered for her sunny personality and for being an active member who has attended nearly every meeting in recent times. At this years Convention Kay won 1st prize in the model contest with her model of Display. Kay was plucked from amongst us at only 44 years of age and will be much missed by her husband Colin and her sons John and Jamie. We extend our sympathies to Colin and all of Kay's family.

Sowerby Smith

NATIONAL MODEL RAILROAD ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

FORM OF APPOINTMENT OF	
Ι,	(full name)
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being a member of the Nationa	I Model Railroad Association Incorporated hereby appoint
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the Annual General Meeting of	orated association, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the Association to be held on the day of and at any adjournment of that meeting.
My proxy is authorised to vote	as follows:
Special Resolution No 1	FOR / AGAINST
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Special Resolution No 3	FOR / AGAINST
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NOTE: A proxy vote may not b	be given to a person who is not a member of the Association.
Return this form to the Secretary than 24 hours before the time of	y, Phil Knife MMR, 1A Mark Street, Lidcombe, NSW 2141 no later of the Annual General Meeting.

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The Data Base also includes data for the Achievement Program e.g. confest wins, articles in the magazine, positions on committees, merit awards etc.

A modeller by the name of Jeff Schumaker (in the USA) has published a Directory of 2 foot modellers (this means On2, On30, HOn2, HOe, HOn30). It makes no difference what prototype you follow, drop him a line stating the above information. Please include an International Reply Coupon. The directory is very substantial and is expanding all the time. Jeff's address is 200 1/2 W. Stevenson St, Gibsonburg, OH 43431.

If you have a home layout and are prepared to host a monthly meeting, give Glen Coventry a ring and let him know.

Please Welcome the new members to our Region. They have been marked with a * in front of their surname and in bold in the above listing.