



THE FLIMSY

NMRA Division 2 Newsletter

May 2019

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G'day,

Stephe opened the meeting with notification that he had 'nothing to say'; however the NMRA Constitution is under review.

A correction to spelling: sometimes mistake are made where an E was added on the end of Ben's surname should read: Ben FEATHERSTON.

Attendance for this meeting being 5 plus the host, however this small number made up for some interesting discussion as show-n-tell where three books on the Goods wagons of the NSW Railways 1855 – 1905 were tabled !.

A discussion to standard decoders [dcc] or sound [dcss] as keep alive [KA] was most interesting on the outcome where information being learnt for JMRI programming, *this is a great idea for a host presentation.*

Ian mention that the layout in the garage, which belongs to the Eurobodalla Model Railway Club [EMRC], is likely to also being made available to NMRA members for exhibitions being 4.8 metres in length if adopted by the EMRC for such showings; ".where a MOTION was put "that this offer being accepted". *Note: (We have yet to get the formal EMRC thumbs up.)*

and then Ian indicated a challenge was planned at the end of the day, more latter.

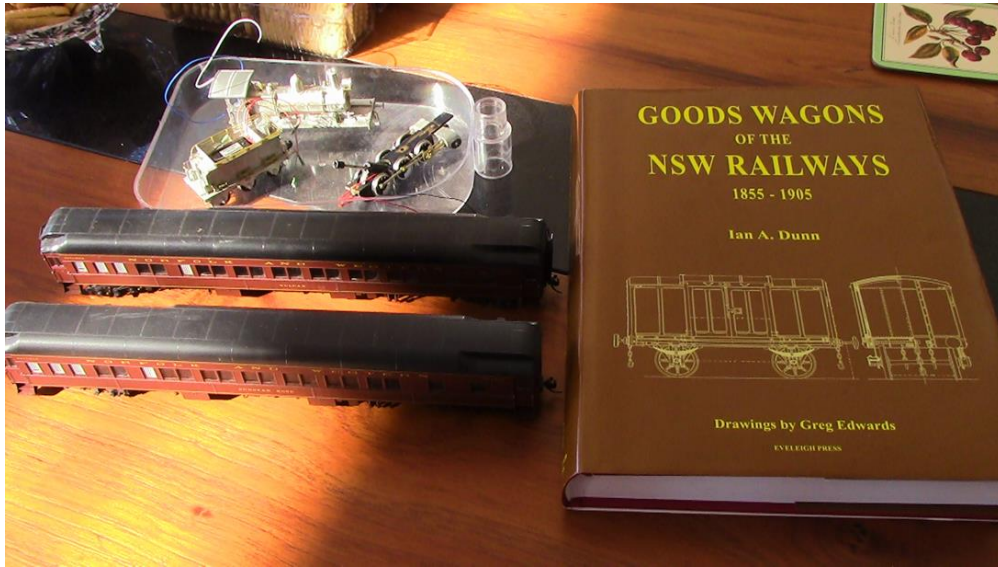
And if you think this will be a short newsletter you are in for some photographic treats of the day.

Keep on training.

Robin.

The May Meeting

Show-n-tell



Ian BARNES: 24 Class upper left, in the final construction stages. John Severs provided driver insulation to all wheels so pickups to all wheels have been installed. There was some modification required for the air pump to fit it between the sandbox and marker lights.

Yet to be purchased is a ZEN decoder with KA.

Mirotone, primer & thinners are available at automotive paint shops, having a mix ratio of 30% paint 70% thinners.

Matt SEMENAS: Purchase of a MTH N&W J Class & 4 N&W coaches [2 MTH Heavy Weight, lower left, & 2 Branchline Smooth side one pictured] being railed at the coaling stage.



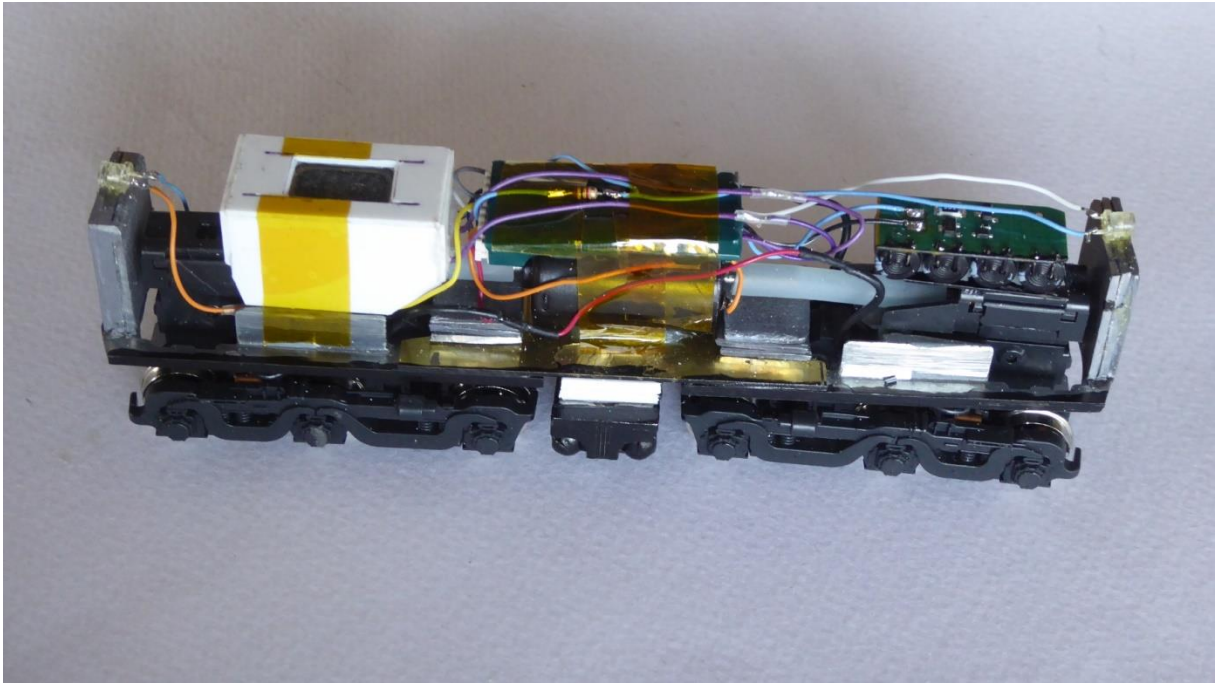
The MTH J Class has an 18" minimum radius, an electronic coupler on the tender & Matt indicated the sound messaging sequence is the clearest he has ever heard for a sound decoder.

Jack CHILD: This stable of locomotives continues to grow with a Powerline 48 Class being 'gutted of the chassis & motor and replaced with an ATLAS RSD 12 modified mechanism being shortened as narrowed with a new fuel tank a TCS WOW decoder with keep alive and a renumbered 4856 was latter tested on lan's layout.

The other locomotive a DJH (footplate kit) where the instructions for this were somewhat to be deciphered for fitting of parts.



'New chassis' shows the shortened RSD-12 chassis with brass connecting plate.



'Completed chassis' shows the RSD-12 with speaker, TCS WOW decoder, keep-alive and added weights.

To the training room & garage:

Ian's shelf 'test' layout:

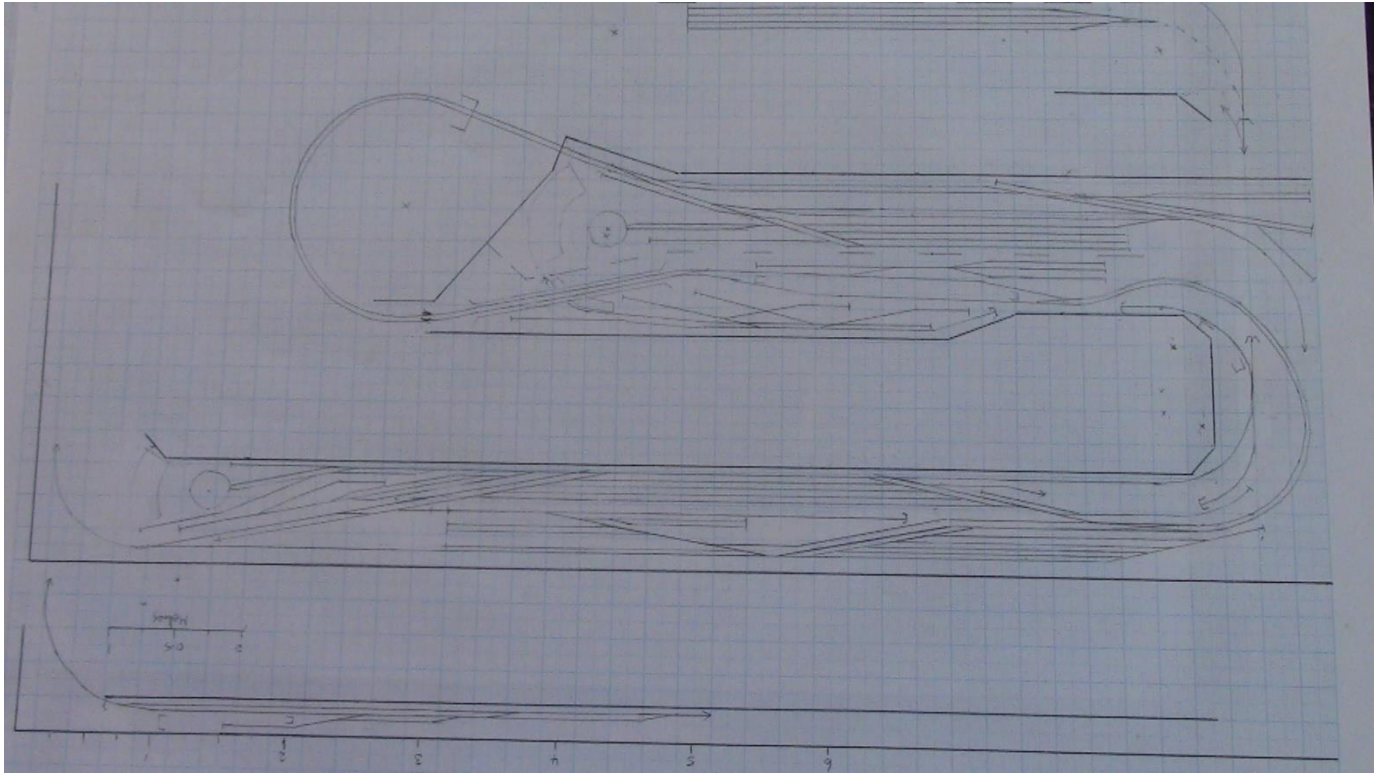




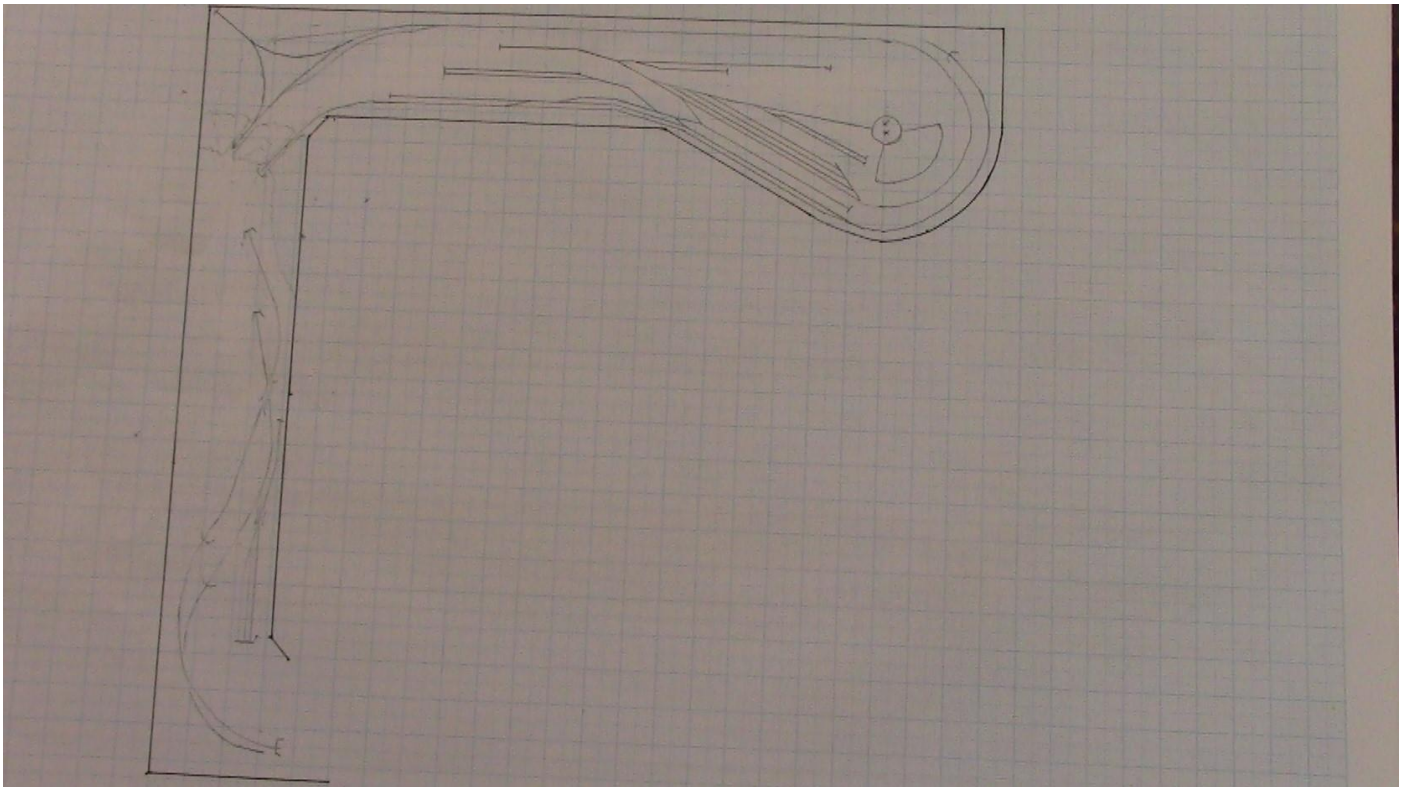
Facing off; 3123 & 1803 wait for their next assignments.



Ears & eyes engrossed in the words as Ian explains "this is the plan for this room" ...



The scale drawings for that planed layout.



In the garage: The Eurobodalla Model Railway Club [EMRC] layout.

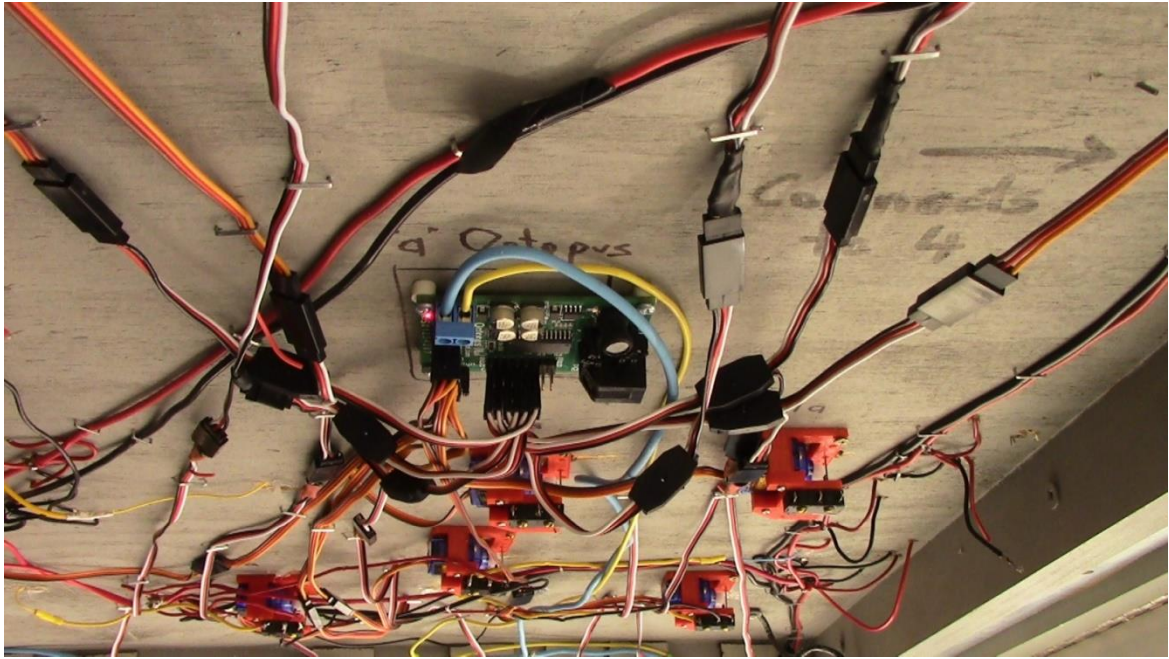


Views: left towards & right from the cassette

Question raised; is it the up / down or down / up line?



The 'Sutherland Station' is a David VIRGO 3D creation.



Underneath view, that is neat wiring.



Top view of the rails from above.



It is still fossil fuel; 'though should have gone to speck savers'.



Jack's 1311; this should have been in the show-n-tell segment being pictured more in place on the layout shunting a rake of CW's.

First primed with Railey Greyed etch 1 part grey: 3 part black then painted with Mirotone black etch primer:
[Mirokey VY6640 black etch primer]

The last say.

It was a mild sunny fun day ending with 'the challenge' as the presentation of a clip boards, paper & pencil with a stroll around the acreage for discussion & planning of a Garden layout, gauge was open Z to broad gauge with a 7 ¼" more in mind.

The walk around the area sighted lots of great potential for zig zags, bridges, logging, stations an engine shed & turntable and of course sidings for the rolling stock

Keep on training.

Robin.

The next meeting will be Saturday 15 June at Robin FOSTER 8 Acraman Place AMAROO ACT 2914 starting 1300 please RSVP to advise Robin of attendance.

2020 if you are interested in hosting a meeting next year contact Stephe who will provide necessary information.

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