



THE FLIMSY

NMRA Division 2 Newsletter

September 2023

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From the editor

Meeting & At home ~ Show-n-tell

The last say

Again highlighting the work of our members, here is Robin Foster's Memorial Garden. Project details below.



September Meeting

From the superintendent.

The September meeting was held at the home of Jon Bailey in Pearce. The meeting was well attended, and concluded with a terrific feed and tour of Jon's enormous basement layout.

When you read this issue of The Flimsy, the Australasian Region 2023 Rose Hill Convention will have passed, Daylight saving has started and Summer will be upon us. Some of that winter modelling might see that airbrush action with warmer days. So much modelling and not enough time !

Division 2 Members have two monthly meetings before the end of the year and I would encourage you to attend and also to welcome those new members to the NMRA and Division 2.

Blink and we will be welcoming in 2024, Think about the current meeting format. What do like and dislike about the agenda. Are there things you would like to see in the meeting that are not covered. Some divisions have earlier start times to cover themes that need more time. Bring your ideas to the October meeting or email the superintendent.

Also, I am asking Division 2 members to come forth if you have been a recipient of the Bone Hopkin Award plaque. I am not sure if the late Graeme Hodges the First was a recipient. Viv Brice, a former Division 2 Superintendent, recently received the Bone Hopkin Award and thanked Division 2 members in an email. Viv has been a long time resident in Queensland and Division 1, was he nominated by a superintendent of Division 1 or 2 ?

I believe the award is presented to those members for outstanding contributions to the NMRA in Australasia and the ARC should have a national register, an agenda item for the next ARC meeting !

Please advise if you hold a Bone Hopkin Award or know of a division 2 member who may.

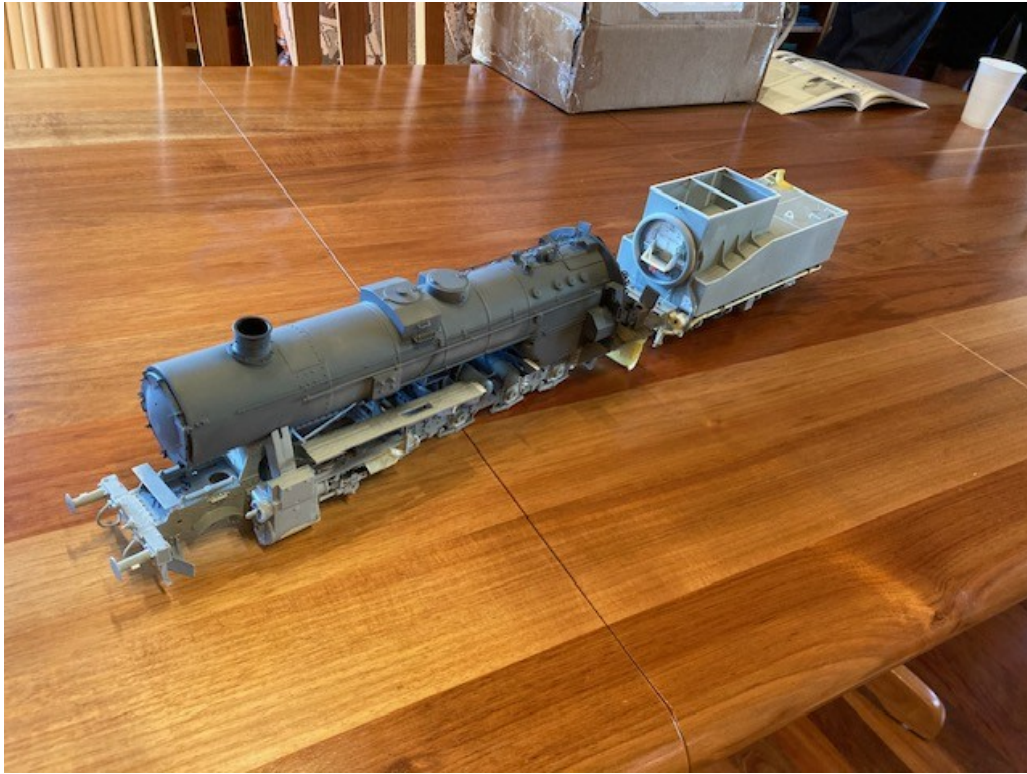
Hope to see you at the October meeting,

Following the meeting we wandered downstairs to have a look at Jon's extensive layout. The layout occupies a very large space on the ground floor of his home, which was destroyed by fire some years back, resulting in the rebuilding of this multi-level layout.

Stephen O'Brien
Div. 2 superintendent.

Show & Tell

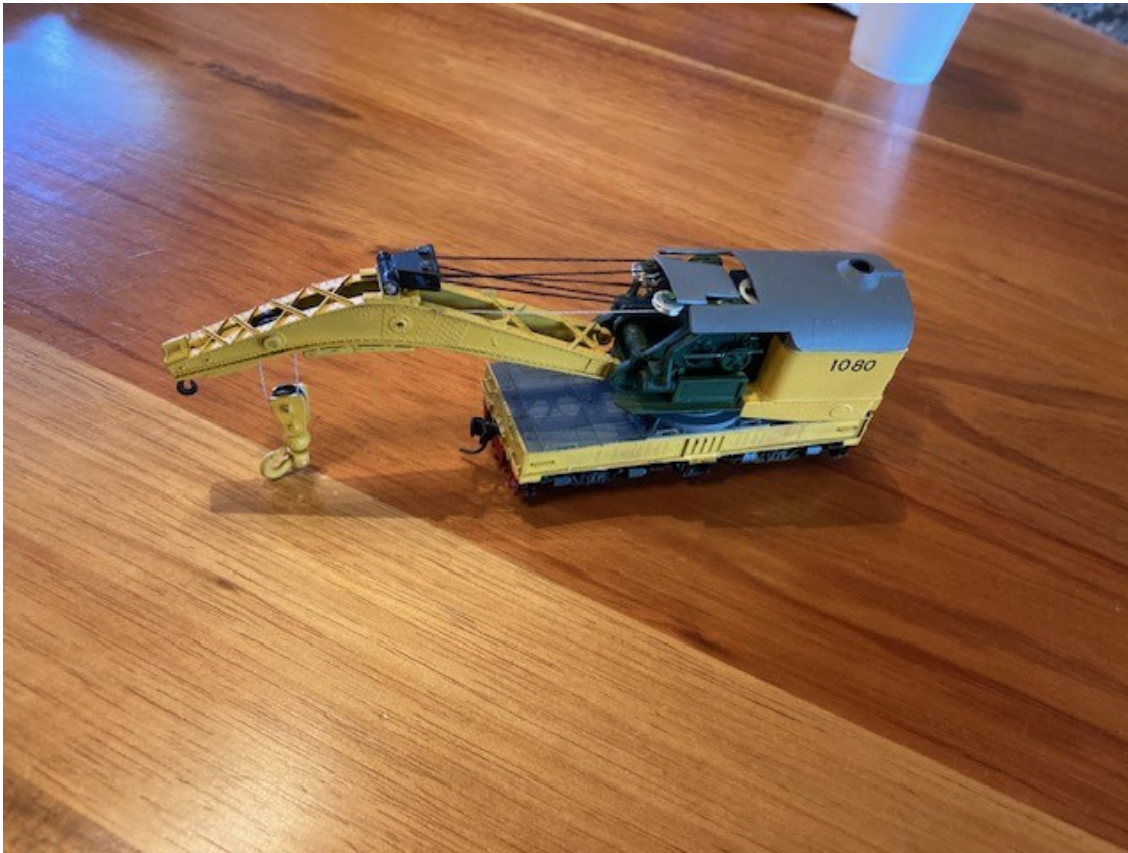
David Lowe has been constructing a 1:35 scale model KRIEGSLOK Locomotive, which was presented at the meeting.



Ian Barnes demonstrated a dressmaker's tracing wheel , used for making rivet impressions.



John Prattis has installed three geared motors in this HO railway crane. The crane is operated via DCC, and can rotate, raise the boom and raise the hook. A great effort!



A couple of announcements:

Kangaroo Valley Historic Railway

After nearly two years absence, Kangaroo Valley Historic Railway is going to have an operating session on Saturday October 14 commencing 1pm.

This session will be somewhat different to that in the past. It is primarily designed to allow operators to reintroduce themselves to “the road” and to changes that have occurred with the move to its new premises.

Rather than a timetable, a series of train movements (similar to those previously used) will be used with no time pressures but simply the need to complete the sequence required for each train.

Would you be so kind as to distribute this email to members of the ACTMRS.

Anyone who would like to attend should email me and I shall send them more details of the session.

Regards

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And, only a month to go until the ACTMRS Bring & Buy Sale !.

Book your table now if you have some items to sell :



Trains Bring and Buy Sale

Saturday 4 November 2023

9.00am to 12am

Mosaic Baptist Church

Chomley Court – Evatt ACT

Admission Gold Coin

You can sell your preloved models by renting your own table for \$10.00

Or come and buy some bargains

Reserve a table: contact ACT Model Railway Soc.

email enquiries@actmrs.org.au

Table numbers are limited, and if still available reservations will be taken until Friday 27th October.

Conducted by: **ACT Model Railway Society Inc.**

Robin Foster - Memorial Park

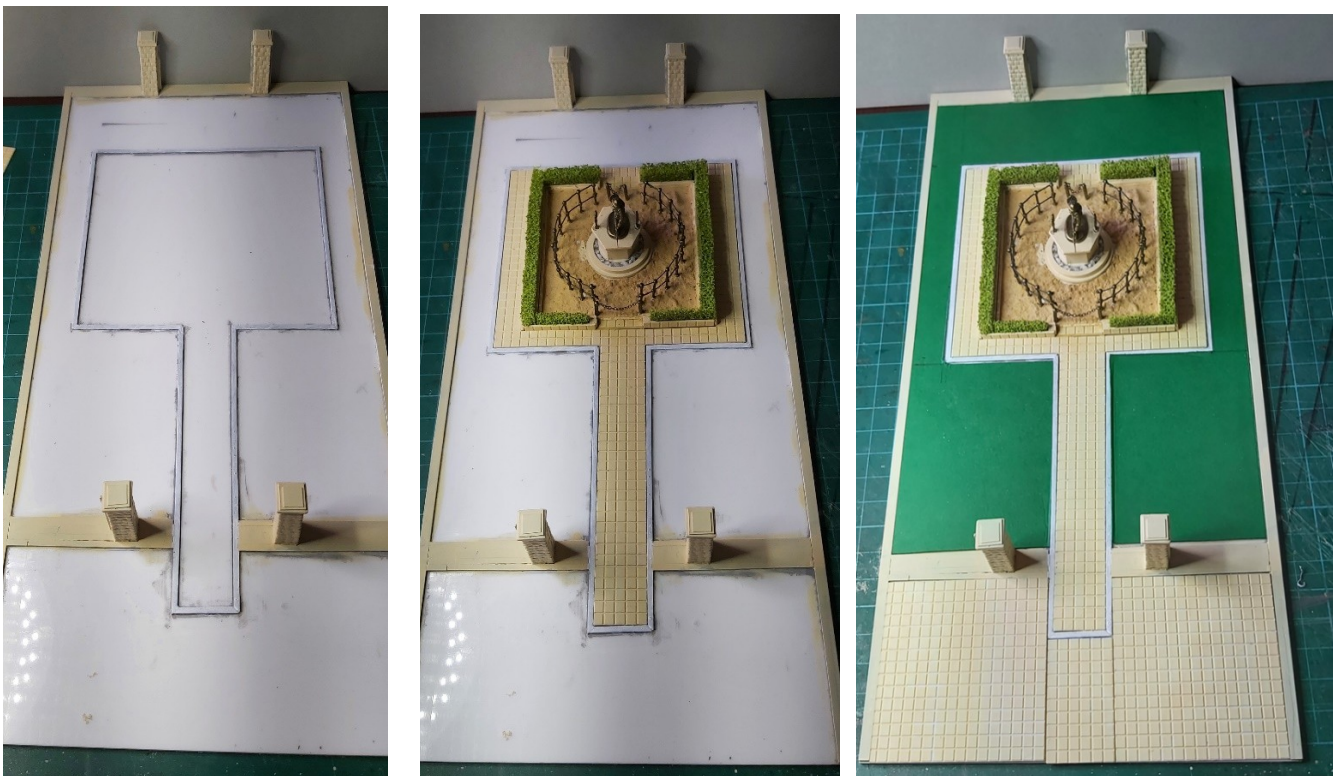
This project started as a small area -152 cm x 228 cm - expanding to 1' x 1' ½" [30 x 32 cm] to capture the theme.

The following photographs are not in sequence to the construction as the individual modules were constructed as adapted throughout this entire project to allow for item placements adjustments. This process also allowed pictures to record when viewing errors found and corrected.

Evergreen styrene 2mm sheet & some generic 1mm styrene (pavers) sheets cut to size.

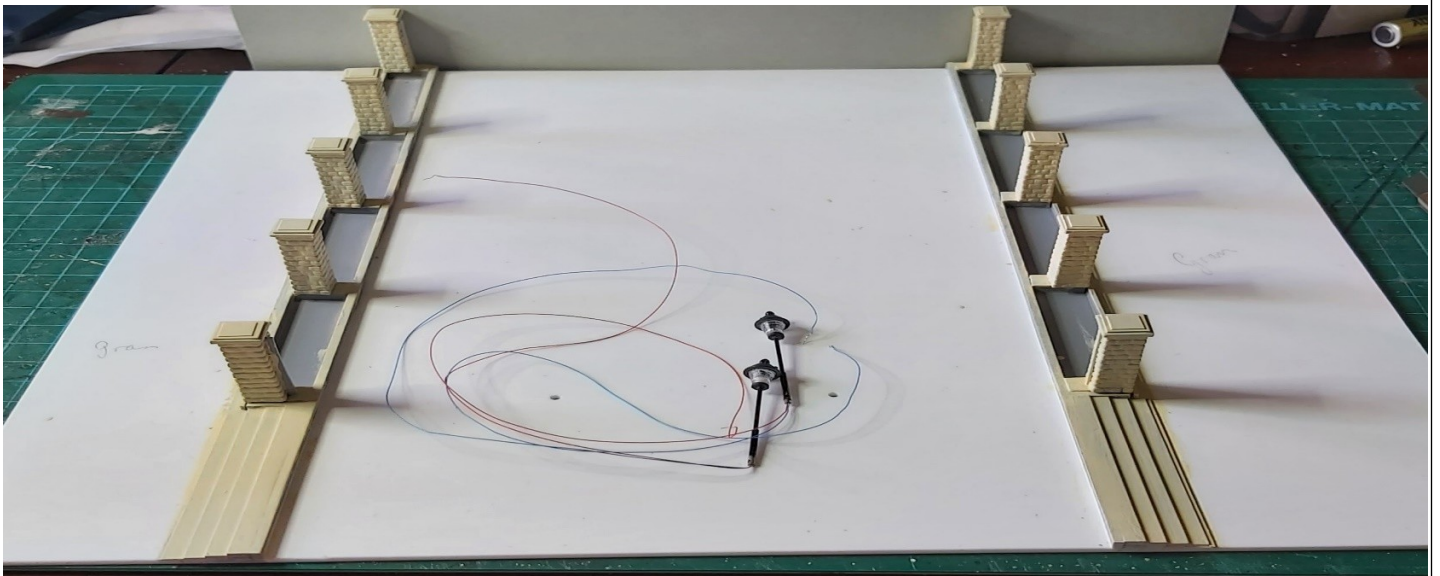
The paver sheet cut to size, pencil marked, then the styrene strips glued into place on to the base. The pavers are not glued to the base allow other details to be placed & painting to be added.

Vallejo Model colours, 70.919 Stone White, 70.884 Stone Grey, 70.837 Pale Sand



This was a project with no plan in mind where many adaptations transpired along the way.

Addition base for the above insert, hole for the lamps



Kerrobby WWI Memorial - Memorial, Soldier / Bayonet Advancing Vallejo MC 70.998 Bronze

Gravel & sand



Test fit of the lamps.



Test lights, styrene sheet was latter for caps to raise the height.



The fences were placed for spacing prior to setting wall posts in place where some errors required some shims to be placed for the fencing to be retained in place.

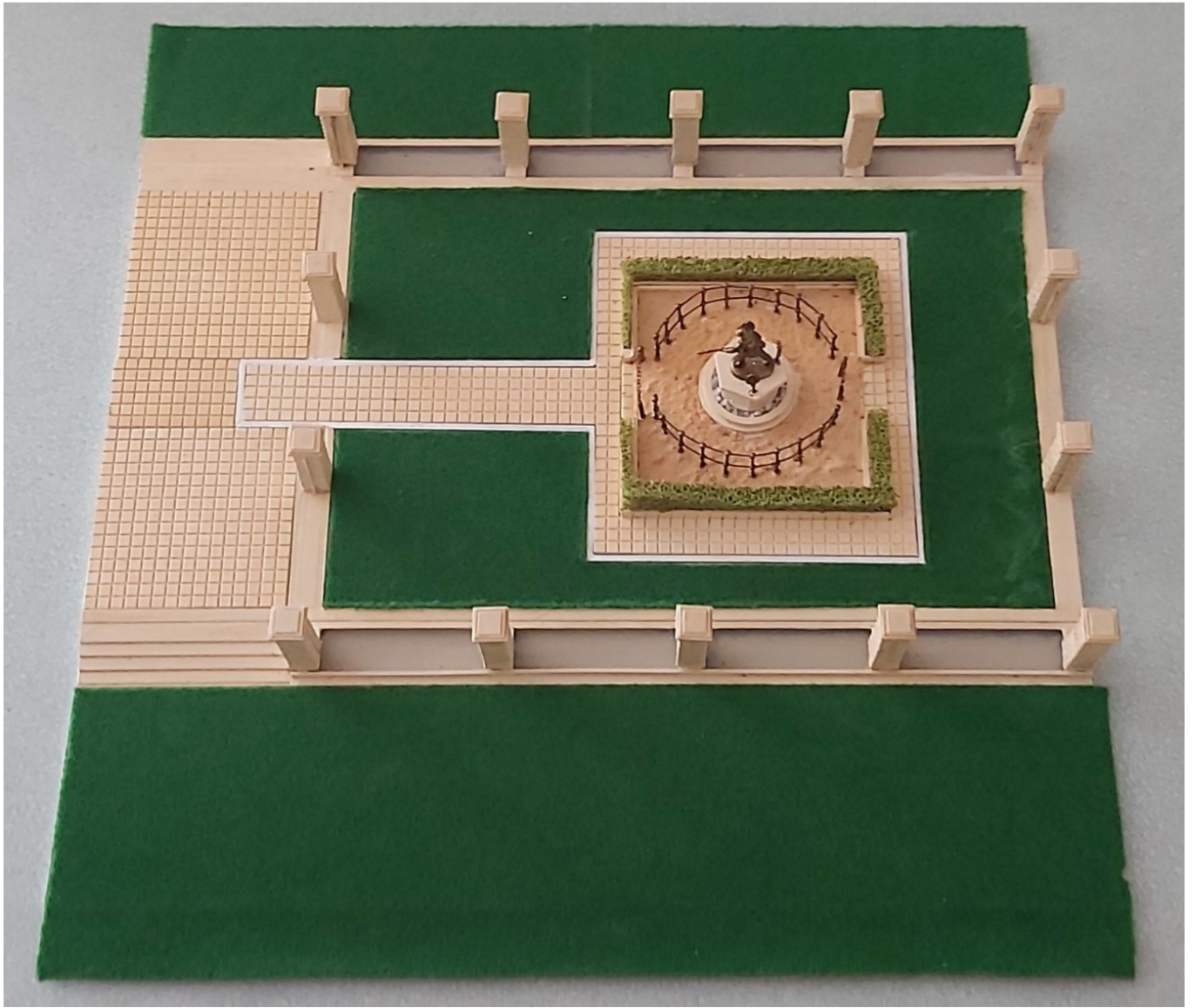
Quill A4 210 gsm board is cut for templates this eliminates errors when laying that grass.



Busch Fence with gate 6016, Hedges 7155



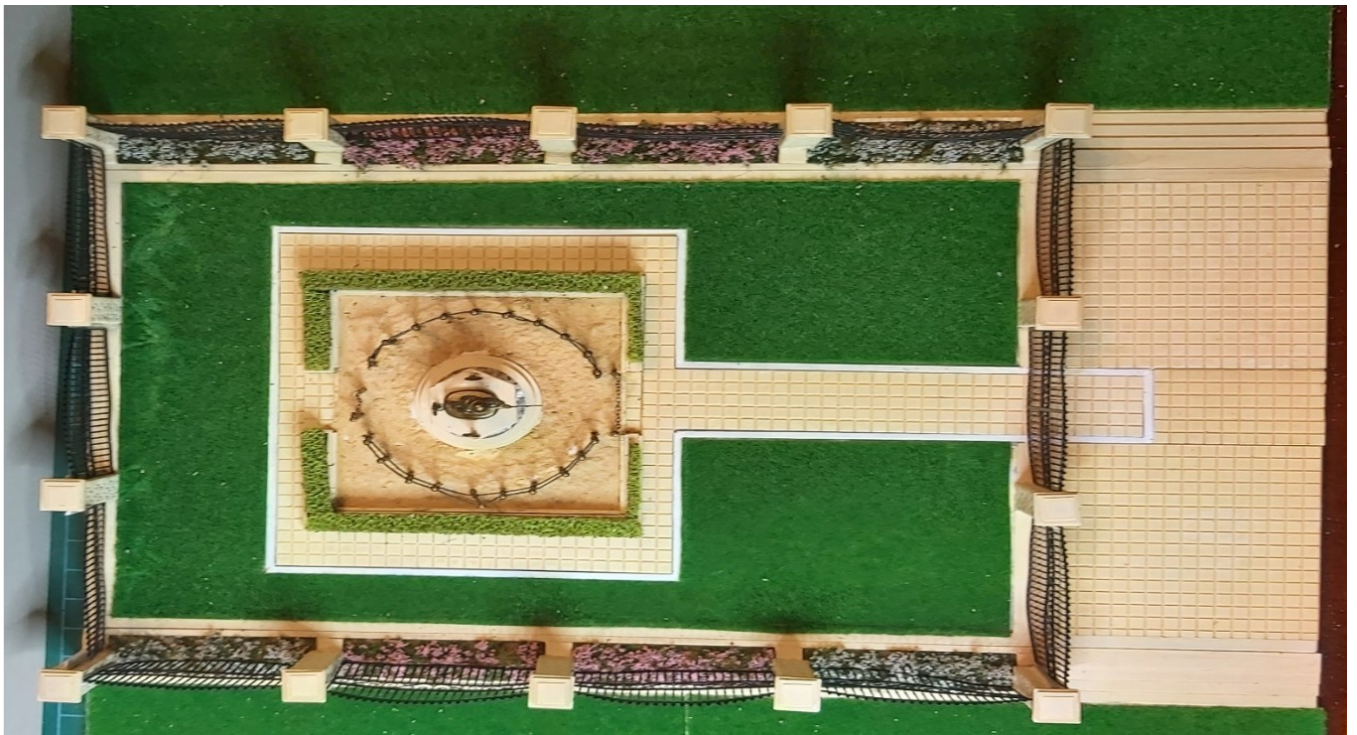
Evemodel Model Grass Mat cut from Quill A4 templates then PVA glued in place.



Wild Grass Designs Roses 2mm



The plan views.



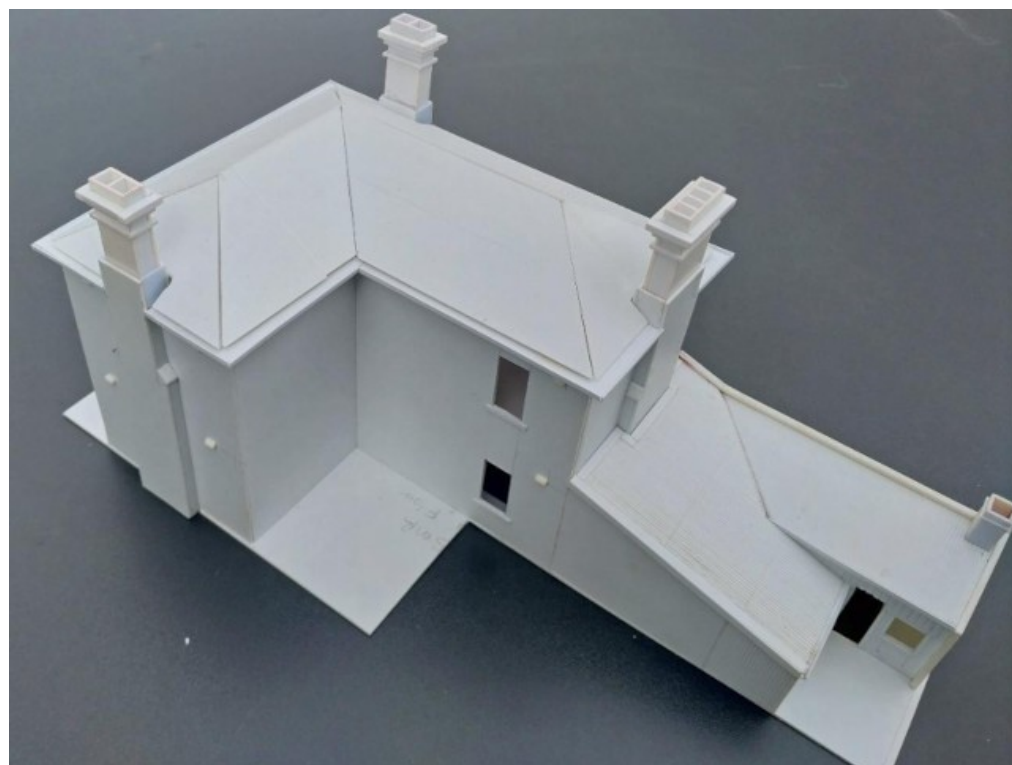


Placement of flag poles yet to be decided also holes for the lamps to be drilled into new capping.

Keep on training !!! - Robin

Rob Nesbitt – Wagga :Station Master's Residence

Work continues on Rob Nesbitt's scratch-built station Master's residence:



David Virgo New tools for my workbench.

I recently purchased a few things to make model work a bit easier.

The belt sander is from Aliexpress. It uses a 24VDC power supply and uses 25mm wide sanding belts. It comes supplied with a few belts of various grades.

The table saw is also from Aliexpress and uses the same type of 24vDC power supply. The blade is 63mm in diameter and works well on plastic and thin timber.

The metal blocks are steel metric 1-2-3 blocks. These are really handy for supporting materials at right angles or as weights whilst gluing. They are 25mm x 50mm x 75mm and cost about \$30 on Amazon.



Thank you to all who have provided submissions for this issue.

Check your emails for updates to Div 2 meetings. Please send updates of your modelling at home activities to jbc@starbytes.au

(note new email address)

Happy Trails / Happy Rails

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