



May 2010

PHOENIX

As this is the first Phoenix for the year there are a lot of meeting minutes to catch up on.

The main item to bring attention to is the Club Exhibition which will be held over the Queen's Birthday Weekend. John McClure is the person to see if you want to help. There will be the 2 club exhibition layouts as well as 4 members' layouts with quite a few other layouts; most have not been to Ballarat before. So support our Exhibition and bring your friends along as well.

Paul R.

Ballarat Model Railway Exhibition
Open Saturday 10.00 am- 5.00 pm
Sunday 10.00 am- 5.00 pm
Monday 10.00 am- 4.00 pm
Eastwood Leisure Centre.
Eastwood Street (opposite Safeway)



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BALLARAT AND DISTRICT MODEL RAILWAY CLUB INCORPORATED

Membership is open to all who are interested in model railways. Why not join us?	Oct	Dec	Feb	April	June	Aug
Fees if joining during the month of :	Nov	Jan	March	May	July	Sept
Concessional: Persons older than 12 years but under 16 years at 15th October, pensioners and full time students.	\$60	\$60	\$40	\$40	\$20	\$20
Senior: Individual membership includes family members.	\$90	\$90	\$60	\$60	\$30	\$30

Membership renewals are due on 15th October each year

TIMETABLE

CREW ROSTER	Wed	May 19	7.30pm	Work/Run
President	Wed	May 26	7.30 pm	Work/Run
Mark Mills	Wed	June 2	7.30 pm	Work/Run
Vice President	Wed	June 9	8.00pm	Executive Meeting
Dave Healy	Fri,Sat,Sun, Mon	Exhibition June 12,13,14	Eastwood Leisure Centre	Fri-Set Up Exhibition 10-5
Secretary	Wed	June 16	7.30 pm	Exhibition discussion
Treasurer	Wed	June 23	7.30 pm	Work/Run
Ian Barrett 5332 4168	Wed	June 30	7.30 pm	Work/Run
Phoenix Editor	Wed	July 7	7.30 pm	Work/Run
Paul Richie 5332 1138	Wed	July 14	8.00 pm	Ordinary Meeting.

Exhibition:

Correspondence should be addressed to: Ballarat-June 12-14 Eastwood Leisure Centre, Eastwood Street.
Open –10.00 am– 5.00 pm (Sat, Sun) 10.00 am– 4.00pm (Mon)

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Ballarat 3353

News & Notes

Exhibition- June 12, 13, 14. with set up on the Friday afternoon. Things are going to plan, as there are only weeks until the exhibition check with me or John McLure as to what you can do to help the weekend run smoothly. I will be setting the Hall out about 12.30pm on the Friday. The clubrooms need to be tidy for those who will be sleeping there.

HO Layout- As mentioned in the minutes the Open day on the Saturday of the Heritage Weekend was successful although not as many through as we would like, the operators enjoyed the running on the layout a few areas need a bit of work, which will be fixed after the exhibition. We have cut-outs to install which may need a bit of wiring changes but will cure some problems that occasionally occur. There is also the suggestion that we may need a booster as our system is only 5amp which may not be enough when there are several sound loco's on the track.

Phoenix Electric- Still packed up after Sandown will be set up at our exhibition. There is now a Flashing Sign to be fitted to the to the Main Street station, thanks to Ian Mitaxa.

N Layout- The floor is to be worked on soon so John will be organising for helpers to fix supports for part of the layout from the roof trusses while this work is being done

Editor's Notes- Photos will be of the exhibitions I have attended this year.

Paul R.



Ballarat & District Model Railway Club Inc.

Minutes of the Executive Meeting

held on Wednesday, 13 April 2010 Meeting opened 8.45pm

Present: Tom Chambers, Mark Mills, John McClure, Sue Oakes, Ian Barrett, Paul Richie, Keith Parkinson, Allen Carter.

Apology: David Healey.

Minutes of previous meeting: Moved to be accepted as read, Keith Parkinson, Seconded Ian Barrett. Carried.

General Business matters arising:

Noalunga Exhibition. Sent a response saying we were not going.

Signage for the exhibition. Peter Ervin following up on the reworked signage.

Heritage weekend. A notice to be put up asking for volunteers. John to follow up.

Reports:

Treasurer's - As submitted.

HO Painted panels for stations, transferred switches to more appropriated area.

N Purchased another hand controller, plug in points for around the layout, Tortoise switch motors. Extra passing sidings added.

Junior No report.

Library More shelves and magazine racks have been made. Defined areas for particular magazines/books has been settled.

Building for Need an updated list of property descriptions and any new item needs to be passed on to Tom registering. This is for insurance purposes.

Motion to accept reports: Moved Keith Parkinson, seconded Sue Oakes

Correspondence:

SAMA magazine.

Murray Modellers Albury exhibition.

Notification of receipt of application for Caulfield Exhibition.

General Business:

Need flyers with major sponsors on. Send out to Martin Bodina r.

Signage for the exhibition at the entrances to Ballarat. Check with council as to who has to put them up (BRI).

Spit Roast. Ian to follow this up with last year's supplier.

Grants for men's shed to be looked into. John to follow up.

Catering Ian and Dave to follow up.

Tables and trestles. We have trestles but no tops. Members have some trestles and tops. Follow up in the next month.

Carpet. Only need carpet for underneath the legs of layouts and areas where operators will be working from.

Leads and ropes. Members will supply these.

Tickets for entry. More to be purchased.

Tickets for the raffle. Need to find the books from last year and follow up with prizes. Train set, Voucher, and railway item.

Swindle. Stephen to be asked to see if he would organise this again. Paul to ask Steve.

Meeting closed 9:22pm.

Ballarat & District Model Railway Club Inc.
Minutes of the Executive Meeting

Held Wednesday, 11 February 2010 Meeting Opened 8.40pm

Present: Tom C, Mark M, John McC, David H, Sue O.,

Apologies: I. Barrett, P. Richie, K. Parkinson, A. Carter

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Moved to be accepted as read, Dave Healey, Seconded Sue Oakes. Carried

General Business Matters Arising

Reports

Noarlunga Model Railroaders Exhibition 9th & 10th October 2010. Sent e-mil to explain that we didn't have a general meeting until March and we would be able to respond for certain then.

Signage to be done. Peter Ervin to follow up.

We need more volunteers. John to follow this up.

Bus trip or cars to shops, rail museum or Steamrail museum.

Reports

Treasurer's - no report at this stage.

Correspondence

Buffer Stop arrived. January edition

Rotary club of Ballarat South sent letter to remind us when the raffle tickets are due back.

Canberra Model Railway Club Inc. Notice of their exhibition 27th & 28th March 2010.

Model Bus Association sent response saying that they cannot attend our exhibition.

General Business

Donation of a small N scale layout, rolling stock. What do we do with this? We have accepted the offer. Moved Sue O. Seconded Dave H. Carried.

Sponsorship forms sent out. To be followed up next month. Flyers sent to Martin Bodner.

Acceptance sent for the Caulfield Exhibition.

Grants for Men's Shed to be looked into.

Meeting closed 9:05pm

Ballarat & District Model Railway Club Inc.

General meeting Wednesday 12th May 2010

Meeting Open: 20:37 pm

Apologies: D. Healey.

Moved to be accepted Keith Parkinson, seconded Ian Barrett

Present- Tom Chambers, Paul Richie, Garry Kennedy, John McClure, Sue Oates, Les Mclachlan, Mark Mills, Ian Barrett, Keith Parkinson, Gary Newton, Denis Rowe, Rodney Featherstone, Brad Johnston, Rodney Featherston, Max Mitchell, Peter Ervin, Len O'Brien, Fred Lewis.

Minutes of Previous General Meeting- Taken as read.

Moved to accept minutes of last meeting.

Moved – Peter Ervin Seconded- Ian Barrett. Carried

Business Arising

John to follow up on vents in roof when replaced.

Reports

Treasurer's- not available at this time.

HO- Members had a good run on the layout for heritage day with several small problems rectified.

N- Reversing units purchased and installed along with another hand controller, and hand controller plug in units. Main line faults corrected and point motors installed.

Exhibition layout- Still packed up after last exhibition.

Library- Organizing Australian magazines, followed by Model Railroader. More shelving and magazine racks have been made.

Building Maintenance- Ronald Waite from the City Council was on site when Tom Chambers was here and trimming or removing of the trees that interfere with the clubrooms was discussed and will be undertaken this week.

Correspondence

No correspondence tabled at the meeting, although some had arrived.

General Business

Waste bin. Ian to send an account to the Air League for the emptying of the bin.

Proposed N scale exhibition. Height to be determined. Need to look at height of children, access for people in wheel chairs, access to wiring, and general viewing height.

Trestles for exhibition. If anybody has any that they can lend for the exhibition, please see Paul.

Signage for the exhibition. John to follow up with the city council. Need to return heritage signage.

Brad has offered his father's Mercedes Sprinter to transport the layouts to the hall and back again.

Security and attendance for the exhibition to be sorted out. John following up.

Meeting closed at-21:22pm

