



December 2010

PHOENIX

As this is the last Phoenix for the year, The members of the executive wish all the members a happy and safe Christmas break and enjoyable new year - and come back refreshed for the new year.

Merry Christmas

We are having a breakup on the **22nd December, BYO Barbeque**; we hope to see you there. The club will only be closed on 29th December, reopening on 5th January 2011.

We hope Santa brings the members 'something' from their wish list.



...Paul Richie



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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	Dec 22	6.30 pm	Break Up/running
President	Wed	Jan 5	7.30 pm	Work/Run
Peter Roberts	Wed	Jan 12	7.30 pm	Work/Run
Vice President	Wed	Jan 19	7.30 pm	Work/Run
Dave Healy 5369 2396	Wed	Jan 26	7.30 pm	Work/Run
Secretary	Wed	Feb 2	7.30 pm	Work/Run
John McClure	Wed	Feb 9	8.00 pm	Ordinary Meeting
Treasurer	Wed	Feb 16	7.30 pm	Work/Run
Ian Barrett 5332 4168	Wed	Feb 23	7.30 pm	Work/run
Phoenix Editor	Wed	Mar 2	7.30 pm	Work/Run
Paul Richie 5332 1138	Wed	Mar 9	8.00 pm	Executive Meeting
	Wed	Mar 16	7.30 pm	Work/Run

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News & Notes

CHRISTMAS BREAK UP. As mentioned breakup Barbque is on next Wednesday evening starting about 6 to 6.30 BYO all . Bring some trains to run. Or your latest project to show . See you there.

The Clubrooms will be closed for 1week open on the 5th of January for those who will be around. Have a great Christmas and New Year.

HO layout– At the moment I am in the process of finishing the scenery, several of the members are going to finish the ground cover and tryout the static devices that have been constructed using electronic fly swats . So there will be lots of experimenting on the different effects that can be had using this device certainly cheaper than the specific devices that are expensive from one of the scenery manufacturers. The static grass is available from several shops in Melbourne.

ROTARY RAFFLE– Our turn to help sell these tickets at the Sunday Market is next Sunday so if you want to help See John Mclure or Andrew if they have enough helpers, and for those who have tickets keep in mind when they have to be sold by!



These photos are of a small diorama I constructed last year using 2 S building kits from Wild West Models the base is a bit of blue foam on top of a plywood base with goop made from colour grout and sawdust with white glue, this takes several days to dry. The dirt is real dirt from our lane sieved the hopper is scratchbuilt the small section of track is handlaid code55 rail . Interior is from a couple of detail manufacturers the boiler is also scratchbuilt . Building wood colours are from thinned stains Paul R.



Ballarat & District Model Railway Club Inc.

General Meeting

Meeting Open 8:38 pm.

Apologies: Stephen Richards.

Minutes from previous meeting

Move to accept the minutes as read

Moved. Andrew Pipkorn Seconded Gary Kennedy. Carried

Matters arising from previous minutes:

Large tree trimmed back. Not sure if it can be taken completely out or not. All smaller shrubs and trees removed.

Rental agreement still outstanding. John to follow up.

Information for the purchase/hire of a trailer or the hiring of a small covered truck, was submitted to the meeting. After some discussion a motion was put forward.

The motion was "For hiring of a trailer as needed".

Moved Stuart Mitchell. Seconded Chris Walschots. Carried

Inward correspondence:

SARMA magazine.

An account from SF Glass for the replacement of 5 window panes.

Outward correspondence:

Nil.

Reports:

Nil.

General business:

Library. Needs an upgrade of the lighting. 2 fluros needed, one on each side of the room. Gary Newton has offered some spare ones he has. To be organised.

Questions. When asked as to when the roof is to be replaced? John, to follow up with John Hartigan.

N scale asked for an allocation of \$500 to purchase buildings for the layout. A list was submitted to the meeting of the buildings that where preferred.

Moved Andrew Pipkorn. Seconded Gary Kennedy. Carried

End of year break up to be held on 22nd of December. BYO everything. (BBQ supplied).

The question of a website for the club was brought up and discussed. Setup price for a site would be \$300 to \$400 plus a monthly fee. We already own the rights to Ballarat MRC. Info. Stewart to follow up, Andrew to look into a supplier as well.

Meeting closed. 9:00pm.