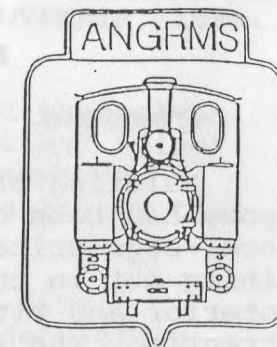


DURUNDUR  
RAILWAY  
BULLETIN



NEWSLETTER OF

The Australian Narrow Gauge Railway Museum  
Society.

A.C.N. No. 009 872 011.

ISSN No. 0158-765X

Editors. David Mewes & Laurie Erb.

Postal Address. P. O. Box 270,  
Brisbane, Albert Street. 4002.

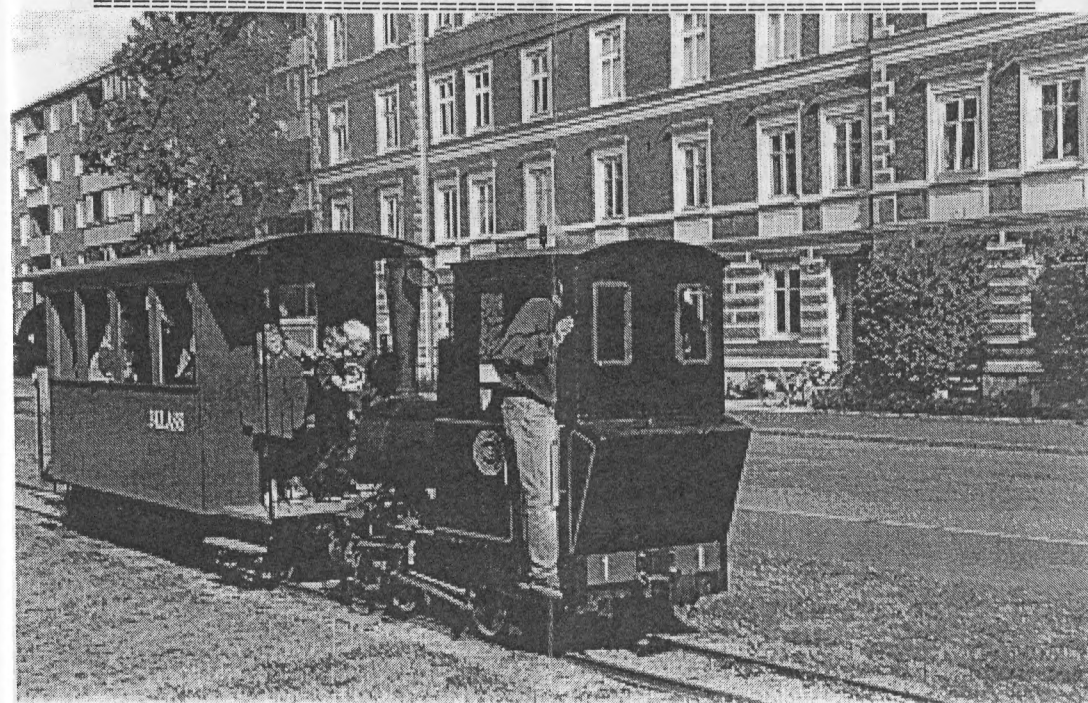
---

Volume 20

Number 237.

NOVEMBER, 1999.

---



NOVEMBER, 1999.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

By David Mewes.

Painting of PLEYSTOWE No. 5 with 2-pack epoxy has been completed. We are arranging with a local sign writer, Gordon Grieve, to do the red lining out in the next few weeks. The cab interior and fittings are currently receiving attention. The locomotive has been fitted with an orange beacon light on the cab roof and has fittings in the cab to allow the installation of 2 way radio and an EV alert system.

A meeting took place on Tuesday 19th. Oct. with Larry Zetlin, Gulliver Media (Producer of the proposed TV documentary); Dick Marks (Director / Cameraman ) and the scriptwriter. A number of issues were discussed at this meeting and a number of follow-up items are being pursued. It has been decided that the filming will take place in late July, early August next year.

An excellent roll-up of our operational staff saw a successful emergency training course undertaken on Saturday, 30th. October. Two senior instructors from St. John's Ambulance, aided by Paul Rollason, set the scene for a role playing exercise with a major train derailment on our railway and a number of people seriously injured. To make the scene more realistic, the "passengers" and train crew were made up to represent various injuries from serious burns to one of the locomotive crew and a broken ankle for the other to severe bruising, bleeding, cuts and lacerations and head injuries for "passengers". One "passenger" was even hysterical. The ANGRMS rescue team were confronted with a worst case scenario for them to tackle.

NOVEMBER, 1999.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT cont.

They tried their best and acquitted themselves very well although four of the "victims" "died" from their injuries or shock. Some members managed to "ham it up", making for a lively time for the rescue party.

The training session commenced with a sausage sizzle and finished with a debriefing from the St. John's instructors. The event was an outstanding success and similar emergency training will be undertaken at least once every 12 months. We learnt a lot from this session and as a result a number of safety issues will be addressed. Our thanks to all those members who attended and for the way they joined in on the occasion. Our thanks to Paul Rollason for organising the day and to the two St. John's Ambulance people, Cameron and Jordan for their efforts.

I attended an afternoon tea at Tilney's Restaurant in Woodford, on Tuesday 26th. October as a formal introduction to Lawrence Wray who has been appointed by the Caboolture Shire Council as Co-ordinator for the Woodford Tourism Development Strategy. This was one of the recommendations of the consultants report to the Council in late 1998. Our Society and Lawrence will be working closely together on further implementation of this strategy.

## ENGINEERING BRANCH.

Work on PLEYSTOWE No. 5 has continued and should be finished in the next few weeks when it will re-enter service allowing MELBOURNE to re-enter the workshop for some further work and painting in 2-pack epoxy. New derailing bars have been fitted to No. 5.



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT cont.

Lubricating hoses have been fitted to the MELBOURNE's tender allowing lubrication of the tender axleboxes from the oil cups on the running board.

A program to number wagons on site has started. Original numbers are being retained as much as possible (ie where the original number is known).

The second wagon rebuilt for the TV film project has been allocated No. 50. The all-steel wagon, normally used for ballast train duties is No. 8. The Condong Line Bogies are Nos. 97; 98; 99; 110; 115; 116; and 117.

## Membership.

A welcome is extended to Colin Rough from Woody Point who is rejoining ANGRMS.

## Interesting Internet Sites.

Our Society has a new internet site which we own and control. This will be much better from our point of view as we will have better control over the site maintenance and will be better able to ensure that correct and current information is available. In addition, we will have a current news section which will give current news and photos of the Society's activities at :-

<http://www.railpage.org.au/angrms>

Our thanks to Ken McHugh who is currently putting all this information together and who will act as the Society's Webmaster.

#####

## On Site Activities.

by Paul Rollason.

Well, at long last, things are starting to happen on site with regards to the compound and a future running and storage shed. The Board has put in for a grant for funding for a 200 feet by 46 feet steel clad shed.

Before we can erect the shed, we need to accomplish a number of tasks. Firstly, we need to clean out the compound; sort out our collection of relics from the compound and dig some dirt.

To date, the simsmetal road with all the wagons on it has been cleared; well, the compound part has been. The task now is to sort all of the Society's equipment and clear the line so that part of it can be relaid. To achieve this, there are a number of wagons full of point parts that need to be sorted and stacked on the rail dump.

To allow us to be ready for the shed, we need a lot of help sorting and restacking rail. Please give ANGRMS some of your time in the near future when someone rings you. We have until February to have the compound ready.

Ed. I wonder what long lost parts will be "discovered" during this exercise?

^^

## Annual Subscriptions.

Please refer to the enclosed notice for details. We are still not sure how the GST will impact on ANGRMS. Steve Baker, our Treasurer is liaising with our Society Auditor, Kirby Leeke on this issue.

## Society notes.

# The Society annual Christmas party will take a different form this year. It is planned to be held on Saturday, 11th. December commencing at noon. The thought was that members could have a picnic lunch on site, join the train during the afternoon for a visit to "Storybrook Cottage" and return; have an evening meal and then join the train for a night run to "Storybrook Cottage" platform & return. You could just come for the evening if you like. The whole time is flexible so just turn up when you can, stay as long as you can & enjoy the peace of Woodford only disturbed by train noises and fauna life.

Don't forget, it is a BYO affair but we will provide the train free to members & friends.

# Our monthly meeting for December will be held on Wednesday 1st. Dec. at the Scouting Association of Australia rooms, 32 Dixon Street, Auchenflower commencing at 8.00.p.m.

# Don't forget that our Sales Department is open at the monthly meetings for special members prices. This will also be the case at the Christmas party. Make sure you check it out as there may be some item there that catches your eye - coffee mug with the BB18 1/4 on it; books, videos and there are still one or two copies of some of those rare books that we told you about some months ago. If you can't get to look, then give David Mewes a phone call on 07 - 3273 2014 or write to ANGRMS at the address on the front.

# This month, the cover photo is of a 600mm gauge loco built by an enthusiast in the 1980's. It is another photo from Sweden and I have no idea where it is.