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*Australian Narrow Gauge Railway Museum Society,  
trading as the Woodford Railway, is located  
25 km west of Caboolture in Woodford, Queensland*

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Freeman's Cutting, 26 February 2022, following severe rains in SE Qld. Greg Stephenson photographer.

**Running Days: 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays**  
**Trackwork Saturdays: Saturday before the  
second running day of the month**  
**Work Days: Every Saturday as required**

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**Our Safety Goal - No Injuries**

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**General Meetings: 2022:** 18 Feb, 21 Oct, and 16 Dec. At the February meeting it was decided to postpone further meetings until October with a check on the Covid situation in September 2022.

### Donations and Bequests

Donations to the Society's Museum Fund are tax deductible. Please make cheques payable to the 'Australian Narrow Gauge Railway Museum Society' and mail to the PO Box above or deliver in person. Remember to include a note indicating that it's a donation, plus your name and address so that a receipt can be posted to you.

We appreciate your help and support now, but also consider mentioning the Society in your Will. Donations/bequests can be for a particular project or for museum development (restoration or infrastructure). For details, contact the President.

### **Safety is a very important part of our operation and ANGRMS remains committed to providing a safe railway.**

Communication is an essential part of safety. As well as taking the time to let others know what you are doing before and while undertaking a task, your feedback is always welcome. Remember there is a suggestion box in the Station Master's Office at Woodford station and suggestions will be discussed at the next board meeting.

## President's Report

*Terry Olsson, President*

Thanks to the efforts of Ryan, I am very pleased to announce that we have been successful in obtaining a grant from Moreton Bay Regional Council towards the purchase of a new ride-on mower. The existing one is worn out and beyond economic repair.

After a series of delays for various reasons, it was great to finally see the building kit for the Workshop annex delivered towards the end of February. Unfortunately this also coincided with a massive weather event over the following days which dropped huge amounts of rain in not only Woodford but over a huge area of South East Queensland. At this stage we do not know when work will commence on the concrete floor.

Work has commenced on removal of the trees and lowering the level of Freeman's Cutting on that side as part of the housing estate being developed on the western side of our railway. Remember this is a work site so please do not go out of the railway corridor.

As noted elsewhere we not only had an Inspection by the Rail Regulator on the running day on Sunday 20 February, but we also carried a record 442 passengers that day. It is a credit to all involved that you carried out your various tasks in a safe, calm and professional manner. The continued use of separate entry/exit ends of the platform, plus the gazebos at Margaret Street end, certainly helped us to manage such a large number of passengers.

Funded by a donation from one of our members, work has started on restoring the old Fiat tractor which has been sitting out the back of the loco shed. This heritage tractor will not only prove useful around the site, but also adds another area of interest to ANGRMS. Diversifying brings in a different range of visitors. Once finished we will place it on display on running days, Restoration of the tractor is certainly very different to restoring railway vehicles, with just about everything you need available over the counter!!

The Baguley has been moved into the workshop for restoration to operating condition including accreditation. This loco came from Mulgrave Mill at Gordonvale and is being painted in a very attractive blue. This different colour will certainly create a lot of interest. Aaron has started repainting the Malcolm Moore used on the passenger train.

While train operations take up a lot of our time and effort, it is important that we do not neglect the museum side. Queensland Rail, as a contribution to ANGRMS 50th anniversary this year, have generously donated four history signs. These record the history of our ex-QR buildings: D-Aguilar and Wamuran station buildings, the ex-Northgate Workshops First Aid room (now

display room) and the compressor shed (current workshop). There is also a history sign giving the history of the ex-Beaudesert turntable. A big thank you to Queensland Rail.

And finally a quick reminder that our AGM will be held on site on Saturday 26 March.

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## Remember – safety first!

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### Safety and Training Report

*Dave Caruzzo, Safety Manager*

**COVID-19:** It is important that in line with current requirements, you maintain your social distancing and regularly sanitise your hands. If you are feeling unwell please stay home. If you are required to stay home and isolate at home, please ensure you stay in touch with family, friends etc – remember you are not alone.

**ONRSR Inspection # 9561:** On 20 February 2022 the Office of National Rail Safety Regulator, (ONRSR) conducted Inspection #9561 – Procedure of Operation. The Inspection was conducted on site during a running day, a day which turned out to be ANGRMS' busiest day on record for passengers so ONRSR got see our operation tested,

Ken McHugh and Terry Olsson were the representatives for ANGRMS. No issues were raised by ONRSR on the day, with some documentation to be supplied over the next few days. ANGRMS awaits the final report.

**RBT:** A RBT was conducted on 20 February 2022 with no adverse results.

**Workshop Annex Construction:** The building kit has now been delivered with concreting and other work to hopefully commence in the near future. Once construction begins it is important to stay out of the work area and keep a look out for any items that may foul the right of way or be trip hazards, etc.

**Reminder** to use the walkway to cross the mainline and loop at the Workshop end of Woodford Platform.

#### **Extract from the SMS: 10.3 Safety and Occurrence Reporting**

- Rail Safety Workers and other workers will report any incidents to the Safety Manager or President. Hazard Log Form FO-015 has been produced for the recording of incidents/hazards/near misses, etc. This is located on the Safety Notice Board in the SM's Office.
- All accidents and incidents shall be investigated and reported to the Safety Manager for possible further action. This may lead to an audit of the particular function with a view to eliminating or minimising the cause of the accident or incident.

While an individual minor incident might not seem important, a series of these or similar incidents means there is something which needs reviewing before it leads to a major injury. Any injuries which require First Aid should be reported to [dcaruzzo2ft@outlook.com](mailto:dcaruzzo2ft@outlook.com).

## Some Civil Notes

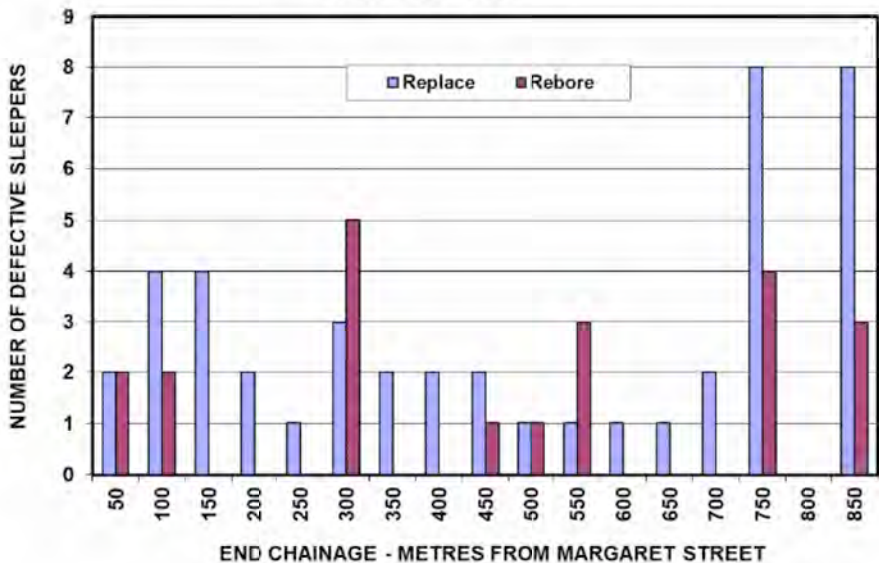
*Greg Stephenson, Track Day Coordinator*

### Independent Track Inspection

On 7 January 2022, an independent track condition inspection was undertaken by a walking and a front of train inspection by Glenn Phillips (Trackmaster) and Daniel Green (Senior Maintenance Inspector) accompanied by Greg Stephenson (Society Civil Engineer) and Ryan Silk (Society Mechanical Engineer). Timber sleepers were generally in fair condition with no clusters of ineffective sleepers noted during this inspection.

In total, there were 44 main line and 10 passing loop defective or ineffective timber sleepers with a small percentage of sleepers that can be rebored and re-spiked. The report concluded that the track strength and "top and line" were found to be acceptable for the traffic task required of this track. The fair condition "top and line" was attributed to frozen fishplate joints and joint oiling and general joint maintenance should be undertaken.

**WOODFORD RAILWAY MAINLINE SLEEPERS -  
JANUARY 2022**



## **Mainline Maintenance**

Sleeper renewals have concentrated in the start of Freeman's Cutting between approximately Ch 300 and Ch 400. In one location, where one defective sleeper was identified in the previous Independent Track Inspection, we renewed six sleepers and corrected some irregular sleeper spacings. This will remove the need to return to the same location for many years.

Adjacent to the planned workshop annex extension, six concrete sleepers were installed to avoid returning to this area as the extension proceeds.

The Independent Track Inspection has identified a priority list of sleepers renewals and locations and other maintenance work. It is proposed to continue these renewals with the monthly track work parties generally being held on the Saturday before the second running day of the month.

## **Operations, Sales And Marketing**

*Terry Olsson, Operations, Sales and Marketing*

### **We broke the Running Day record!!**

On Sunday 20 February, despite the occasional shower of rain, we carried a new public running day record of 442 passengers!! In addition to the usual marketing, Moreton Bay Regional Council also promoted us on their Visit Moreton Bay Region and Moreton Daily Facebook pages.

Even so, this sort of numbers was unexpected and I would like to thank and commend everyone who was there on this day. Despite the pressure resulting from such a large number of passengers, everyone acted in a safe, calm, cheerful and very professional manner. Just to add to the day, we also had an ONRSR inspection that day! You can all be proud of yourselves!!

On Wednesday 5 January we had our first wedding train for several years. Between us and Woodford Gardens, where the ceremony and reception was held, we can offer something different and there certainly is a market out there – we just need more operations staff etc etc.

As you can see in the Date Claimers section below, the Toowoomba show has been cancelled this year, however at this stage the AMRA show and the Pine Rivers Hobby Expo are still going ahead.

We normally only exhibit a layout at the Pine Rivers show so this leaves the AMRA show as our big sales earner for the year. As the Sunday of the AMRA show is also a running day at Woodford, we will need all the help we can get that weekend so please reserve it in your diaries. Remember we also need help on the Friday setting up both shows.

A shortage of operations staff continues to be an issue so if you would like to help with this society activity please let myself or one of the other Board members know.

### Monthly Statistics

	January 2022	February 2022
Paying Passengers	189	525
Guards Sheet	221	625

### Date Claimers

#### **AMRA Model Railway Show – Saturday 30 April and Sunday 1 May 2022:**

At a meeting on 24 Feb, AMRA confirmed they intend to proceed with their model railway show, which will again be held in the Brisbane Exhibition Grounds on this weekend. This is our major show for the year and Sunday is a Running Day at Woodford so we need as much help as possible.

**Toowoomba Model Railway Show:** Due to COVID, this show normally held in June has been cancelled for 2022.

**Pine Rivers Hobby Expo – Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 July 2022:** We have just received the application forms for this show to be held in a different venue. Instead of the Strathpine Community Centre it will be in the South Pine Sports Complex, Cribbs Rd at Brendale. Applications close on 23 April.

### Notice of Annual General Meeting

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on site on Saturday 26 March 2022 commencing at 2pm.

Please mark this date in your diaries. Not only do we need to do the usual voting for various board positions, etc, it is also a good opportunity to hear about and discuss what we have achieved in the last year and what is planned for the up-coming year.

ALSO, please remember to register with the Secretary about a week prior if you are going to attend so we can COVID plan accordingly.

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Celebrating Steve Baker's 85th birthday at the 6 February 2022 Running Day. Terry Olsson photographer.



Workshop annex kit, 24 February 2022. Ryan Thomas photographer.