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Right On Track

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John Running trains see story inside

Management Committee

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Next Committee Meeting 7:30 Monday 6th June 2011

Late Night Run Saturday 4th June 2011

A 'late' night running is scheduled for Saturday 4th June This is for DCC training ready for the Greyhound Track, so bring you DCC locomotives.

AMRE Exhibition June 11th – 13th 2011 Greyhound Track

If you did not put your name on the list on the notice board to run or help set up for this week end then you will have to pay at the door

NURSING HOME DISPLAY Sunday July 31st 2011

Aberfoyle Park

The setup will be much the same as previous events see list on the notice board for time etc please add your name to indicate your availability for the day.

Swapmeet

**Friday 29rd July 2011
7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

NMRI Clubrooms

Please notice that this is a Friday night event Numbers will be limited by available Space \$10 per 900 mm x 750 mm table (Supplied) or take advantage of the early Bird discount, \$5 if paid in advance.

Bookings events@noarail.com

Strictly one-person free entry per table
Public entry at 7.30 pm \$3

Open Day and Swapmeet

Sunday 6th November 2011

10:00 am – 1:00 p.m

NMRI Clubrooms

Numbers will be limited by available space. \$20 per 1800 mm x 750 mm table (supplied) or take advantage of the early bird discount, \$15 if paid in advance.

Bookings events@noarail.com

Public entry at 10:00 am \$3

Part proceeds to St John Ambulance

Norm Andrew

Many of you will know that Norm is currently in Repatriation Hospital. He has been unwell for some time and we wish him a speedy recovery and hope to see him back at the club soon.

Wellington model train

The illustrations here are of a model train John Cutler visited on his recent trip to Wellington New Zealand. The steam train is a one third scale model of a North Welsh train – similar to ‘Dolgoch’ which runs on the Tallyllin rail line, an historic narrow-gauge steam railway from Tywyn to Abergynolwyn. The model was built by the owner, a retired engineer. In addition to the steam train he has a number of other locomotives which run around a track he has built on the hillside of his garden in a scenic area about 20 kilometres from the centre of Wellington. The track runs around a kilometre, following the outline of the hill and travelling over two bridges, through a gully and past some rather bewildered sheep.

We arrived at the farm mid morning, and after we had watched the owner stoke up the boiler and get enough steam up, he gave us a demonstration on how the controls worked and how to keep the delicate balance between available steam and required power to make the engine run. Eventually there was enough steam to run the train with its passengers around the track. Following the run on the steam train the carriages were cleverly changed to the diesel loco and while the steam loco was re stoked to build up more steam for another run, the passengers were entertained with another ride. John and his son Matthew both had the chance to learn how to drive the steam loco, and keep an eye on the various gauges and switches, while the younger members of the party blew the steam whistle and even operated the simple controls of the diesel engine.

Both the steam locomotive and the diesel-electric locomotive pull a number of open carriages in which children and adults can ride. All of these have been built by the owner, who has also filled his house with numerous gadgets and models made from traditional old style Meccano. Among his models were a number of planes, including a well fashioned Spitfire, a variety of trucks, and a mechanical carder and spinning wheel for his wife to be able to continue to spin wool from their flock of coloured sheep.





No. 2 'Dolgoch'

"Dolgoch" was built in 1866 by Fletcher, Jennings & Co., but to a very different design to that of "Talyllyn". It is an 0-4-0 tank engine with both a back tank (behind the cab) and a well tank (between the frames). The long wheelbase allows the firebox to sit in front of the rear axle, with Fletcher's Patent inside valve gear driven off the front axle, a particularly inaccessible arrangement. In increasingly decrepit condition "Dolgoch" continued to operate the service single-handedly until 1952 when "Edward Thomas" became available and was then the subject of a prolonged overhaul between 1954 and 1963.

"Dolgoch" returned to service in late 1999 after a major overhaul involving firebox repairs and an extensive mechanical overhaul; as part of the overhaul it has been fitted with air braking equipment, the last steam loco to be so fitted. It is temporarily running in Crimson Lake livery for one year only prior to its ten-yearly boiler examination.

Technical Details

Maker Fletcher, Jennings & Co.

Year 1866

Works number 63

Type 0-4-0 back/well tank

Driving wheel diameter 2' 4"

Trailing wheel diameter nil

Coupled wheelbase 6' 6"

Total wheelbase 6' 6"
Cylinder size (bore/stroke) 7 5/8 x 16"
Heating surface 128 sq. ft.
Working pressure 150 psi
Tractive effort @ 85% BP 4236 lbs
Weight 10 1/4 tons

DCC on Paradigm

The Committee would like to thank Aaron Morley for his conscientious work in getting Paradigm equipped with DCC in order to be able to use this at the Greyhound Track at the June long weekend. His time and effort is much appreciated and we look forward to using the new facility in our next exhibition. We hope to be able to use both DCC and DC so that everyone can run their trains successfully.

St John Ambulance

Please find attached a photo of the equipment we purchased with the donation from the Model Railway Expo in October 2010 at the Seaview High School.

If we can help you at any time please email me as below

Once again thank you to the members and the club for allowing us to buy the equipment

.Ian Coburn



End Of The Line Hobbies

Your One Stop Hobby Shop

End Of The Line Hobbies is offering club members a 5% discount off all purchases. To be eligible you must be a current financial member and mention your club membership at the time of purchase. The club will receive the same amount as a voucher for use as we see fit. So you can help yourself and the club at the same time. Delivery can be arranged anywhere in the world and orders may be placed in person at the shop, via e-mail, snail mail, phone or fax. There is a stock hold option and payments can be made by Visa Card, Master Card, EFTPOS and good old fashioned cash!

Wednesday – Sunday 10:00 am – 4:30 pm

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