



Right On Track

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This newsletter is now available as a download from our website (address above) saving the club postage and printing, most pictures are in colour. Notification is sent by email when it is available for download

There have been a few changes to both our layouts recently so this edition I have included some photographs of them

Below: A new siding on the permanent layout to serve the pickle factory, please excuse the mess and the support post hanging in mid air (right) this is just a dry run to check for fit. There are other sidings planned for this area.



Management Committee

President	Ron Weeden
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Treasurer	Judith Morley
Membership Manager	John Cutler
Events Coordinator & Security Officer	Tony Mikolaj
Almoner & First Aid Committee	Norm Andrew David Morley

**Next Committee meeting
7:30pm Monday 3rd July 2006**

Adelaide Exhibition

**10th – 12th June
9:30 – 5:00 Sat / Sun 9:30 – 4:00 Monday
Greyhound Park**

NMRI are not displaying at this event as Paradigm will be at the Ballarat exhibition.

Ballarat Exhibition

**10th – 12th June
Eastwood Leisure Centre Ballarat**

By the time you read this some of us will be displaying Paradigm in Ballarat.

Please note that Paradigm will not be at the clubrooms 'till after we return from the Stawell exhibition

Stawell Exhibition

**8th – 9th July 2006
9:00 – 6:00 Saturday 9:00 – 4:00 Sunday
SES Hall – Sloane St Stawell Vic**

Flier on the noticeboard
We have been accepted to be a part of this great weekend again. Fill out the attendance form for this on the notice board if you wish to join us.

Swapmeet

**30th July
9:00 am – 12:00 pm
Reynella Neighbourhood Centre**

Book and pay for your table early as numbers will be limited by available space. \$20 per table or take advantage of the early bird discount, \$15 if paid in advance.

Maximum two people free entry per table

Part proceeds help support the St John Volunteers

Our Exhibition

**7th – 8th October
9.30 -5:00 Saturday
9.30 -4:00 Sunday
Mitsubishi Entertainment Centre
1284 South Road, Tonsley Park**

We have a full venue of excellent displays so this will be another great exhibition.

See the notice board at the clubrooms for a helpers list and more information.

Part proceeds help support the St John Volunteers

Card Table Swap

**Friday 3rd November
7:30 pm – 9:00 pm
NMRI Clubrooms**

Book and pay for your table early as numbers will be limited by available space. \$10 per table or take advantage of the early bird discount, \$5 if paid in advance.

Strictly one person free entry per table

Reynella Fair

**Sunday 12 November
All day**

Another full day of sizzling, more details nearer the time.

October Exhibition at Mitsubishi - Update

Overall most things are coming along fine, this is the second exhibition that I have coordinated and I am glad to find out that it does indeed get easier to do with the experience gained from the first one. We have booked 22 operating layouts and 4 displays with 6 of the exhibitors from interstate, some of these are new to South Australia and many are new to us so we have met our requirement of a different exhibition each time. It looks like we will be using all of the available space this year as we have more to display. The local model shops are supporting us by having sales stands and some specialist traders have joined in. Model Mania has come to the party as a sponsor with a starter set for the door prize. We thank them all for their support.

Planning

A recent meeting of Team Leaders showed that most were right on the ball and all are confident that they have everything under control

Costs and Pricing

We have kept the entrance prices the same as last time \$2 / \$5 / \$12 (Kids / Adults / Families) and the Saturday night Meal will be subsidised to be only \$5 again, which considering the plateful of food supplied last time is excellent value. Sausage Sizzle and Canteen prices should also be about the same so that everyone can afford to have a good time. With constantly rising prices all a round us, this is equivalent to a price reduction. There will be a door prize again this year and work is in progress on a new method to enter for the prize and to gather the relevant information from our customers.

Saturday Night Meal and Swindle

Some quite good prizes have been donated for the swindle, thanks to those who have chipped in already, I'm sure Judith would like some help to roll the prize tickets when the time comes. We still need more railway related items so keep your eyes open for any opportunity to get businesses on our side. It is intended to run the silent auction again this year as this proved very popular last time.

Colouring Competition

We have some coloured pencils but we could use a few more and a sharpener for the colouring in competition, if you have some old ones left over from your kids we can use them, we don't want expensive new ones as the kids will give them a hard time and you may not get them back..

Trophy

New this time will be a trophy for the best display; this will be as voted by all exhibitors and traders.

Advertising

Some fliers have been printed and distributed at the last two displays that we did and I have organized some for the June long weekend at Greyhound Park. I will get some more for our Swapmeet and for putting in the model shops soon, if you know anywhere else that we can distribute them please let me know. I will contact the local radio stations shortly to get the exhibition on their community listings and to try to get some time on air. We are already listed on several websites (and ours)

We have ordered some more advertising signs. These will be spread around the suburbs to get the maximum penetration for our money. If on your travels you see a fence or suitable position to place a sign let me know so that we can let all of Adelaide in on the best model railway exhibition.

Helpers

A helper list is on the notice board please tick the appropriate boxes so the good feeling of doing your bit and helping out can be shared equally. Let's make this even better than our last great effort. Remember club membership does not automatically get you free entry. More information later as it becomes available.

Event Coordinator...Tony Mikolaj



Two pictures showing the formation of stage 2 of the rocky outcrop on Paradigm.





Above: Another new scene on Paradigm, the farmer has had a good year...there is a new tank and pump.

Below: The rock cutting viewed from a hot air balloon



On the Notice Board

Attendance lists:

Exhibition – Stawell
July 8th – 9th

Exhibition – Ours at Mitsubishi
October 7th – 8th

If you are interested in attending / helping, fill in the relevant details to help with the organising.

Top and Tails

While we are on the subject of displays and exhibitions, the Committee would like to remind everyone that it is club policy for all members to wear a club shirt / windcheater at all official functions.

There are several sizes of t-shirts in stock; the current price is \$20, which includes the emblem on the pocket.

For windcheaters please buy one in a grey as near as possible to the shirts and the club will have the emblem embroidered for you

There has been a price rise for the embroidery, it will now cost \$9 and this will follow through to the shirts, they will go up when we replace the current stock.

October Exhibition

A helpers list and jobs to do chart are on the notice board so add your name to be a part of the best model railway exhibition.

Replies are in from traders and layout owners, a good percentage have been via our Online Application.

We have sent out the acceptance letters and now we can get on with the finer points of organising another great exhibition. The first item on the agenda was a short Team Leader meeting on Saturday 27/5/06 at the clubrooms to bring everyone up to date, check on progress and sort any problems.

We have a full venue, with many layouts not seen at our exhibition before and several from interstate, there will be some different specialist traders this year.

I will arrange a full meeting for all helpers a little closer to the exhibition.

New Heights

The Club has bought four new stools for use when Paradigm is on display. Being foldable, they will fit in to the trailers to make it easier for transporting; we will keep the current stools for use at the clubrooms. The first test will be the June long weekend at Ballarat.

Please note that Paradigm will not be at the clubrooms 'till after we return from the Stawell exhibition as we will be leaving it at Stawell on the way home from Ballarat.

Containers

For all those who model the modern times a site has free downloadable scale print outs for containers in both HO and N scale at <http://www.igshansa.de/igsdownload.html>

You print them on thin card and then cut out, fold and glue. The site is in German but it all looks quite easy to follow. Seems like a good and cheap way to load up some wagons.

Website

Our website went down for about one week last month; a server crash caused this and it was obviously beyond our control. The problem seems to be sorted now and the files have been reloaded

Cleaning duties

The club would like to acquire some cleaning wagons for use at both the clubrooms and when we are on display. We need a volunteer(s) to make a few of each with various couplers to suit US, UK and Australian so that those that do not have their own can still help to keep the track clean. This will improve the running qualities of all trains.

New prices

Due to the increased cost of all chocolate bars, they are now \$1.20 each

Special Diet Coke cans are now 70c each, only while stocks last.

Note, all other drinks are still \$1