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Right On Track

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The new station on our main layout
It is a very accurate card model of Mt Lofty
More pics on page 7

Management Committee

President	John Cutler
Vice President	Frank Crossley
Secretary	Keith Turner
Treasurer	Judith Morley
Membership Manager	David Morley
Events Coordinator & Security Officer	Tony Mikolaj
First Aid	Peter Lynch
Almoner	Mick Kerry

Next Committee meeting 7:30pm Monday 5th October 2009

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Graham Ford

Allan Nelson

Victor Harbor Display

**Refreshment hall on the platform
October Long Weekend**

**Free Tea/Coffee for Club Members
Bring your own cup.**

**Those who are able to operate the layout, please enter your
name on the sheet in the clubrooms**

CHRISTMAS DINNER

**The Hub Tavern
Saturday 12th December**

**The festive season will soon be upon us so mark this on your calendar
and all who wish to attend, please enter your name on the board**

NMRI AGM

Saturday 7th November at 2.00 PM

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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Open Day and Swapmeet

Sunday 8th November 2009

10:00 am – 1:00 pm

NMRI Clubrooms

Please notice that this is a Sunday event

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 \$2

Reynella Fair

Sunday 29th November

We will be there with our usual sausage sizzle so all hands on deck

SAR Wagon Profile #1 -- The DA Louvre Van.



The DA Louvre Van.

Built: Ca 1900-1923.

Last in traffic: 1972.¹

No built: 129¹

Codes: A, A^A, A^X, D^A.

Intended use: perishables.

SAR line drawing: CD-038/62

Preserved: D^A4346, NRM, Pt Adelaide.

Though not really an important class in “modern” times, in the era BW (before Webb...) the then A^X wagons were a significant proportion of the remarkably small covered van fleet.¹ Had one not been preserved the class might well have been forgotten! D^A2972 was an accident train van at Pt Pirie until 1982, and D^A4346 was a stores wagon at the Sleeper Adzing Depot at Gillman Yard, barely a stone’s throw from its present home.



WOKING BEE -- CONGRATULATIONS

Thank You to all

As all members will be aware we recently held a Saturday afternoon Working Bee. The President and Committee would like to thank all those who took part for their enthusiasm and commitment to the club.

This Working Bee was one of the best attended and there were plenty of people to help doing a side variety of jobs. People on the roof cleaned the gutters, others serviced and cleaned the old barbecue, there was a team who cleaned around the shed and everyone participated with a general tidy up and sort out of unwanted goods.

We were especially fortunate to have a mild and dry day for the clean up. Hope to see you all again at the next Working Bee.

John Cutler
President

SAR Wagon Profile #1 --- The DA Louvre Van.



Strangely enough - or not - there has never been an rtr model of this van, but Strath Hobbies do make a kit. Converting an SEM VRU van is deceptively difficult,² and scratchbuilding may be more difficult still.

References.

1. Curnow P. The SAR D^A Van. **AMRM**, June 1991 pp16-18
2. Dunn I. The BGM U van Goes Interstate. **AMRM** June 1991 p19

See also

<http://www.noarail.com/members2/v/Allan/Prototype+photographs/SAR+pres/NRM/da/>
<http://tinyurl.com/lt8dyb>

Alan Lees

John Cutler's Meanderings

*A Double Decker
in Prague*



*Now this is a good
fate for a tram*

*A novel tram in
Prague*

*Should we see an old
drop (in) centre cafe
in Adelaide ?*

The PIE TRAM ?

*Shunting
at Zagreb Station*



Layout Work



Doug Thompson's FP7 rolling through the new station at Midvale



Station construction genius David working on the carpark of the new station, and our apprentice electronics technician John, working on the new signalling system



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Present the October long weekend

Model Train Display

at the Victor Harbor Train Station

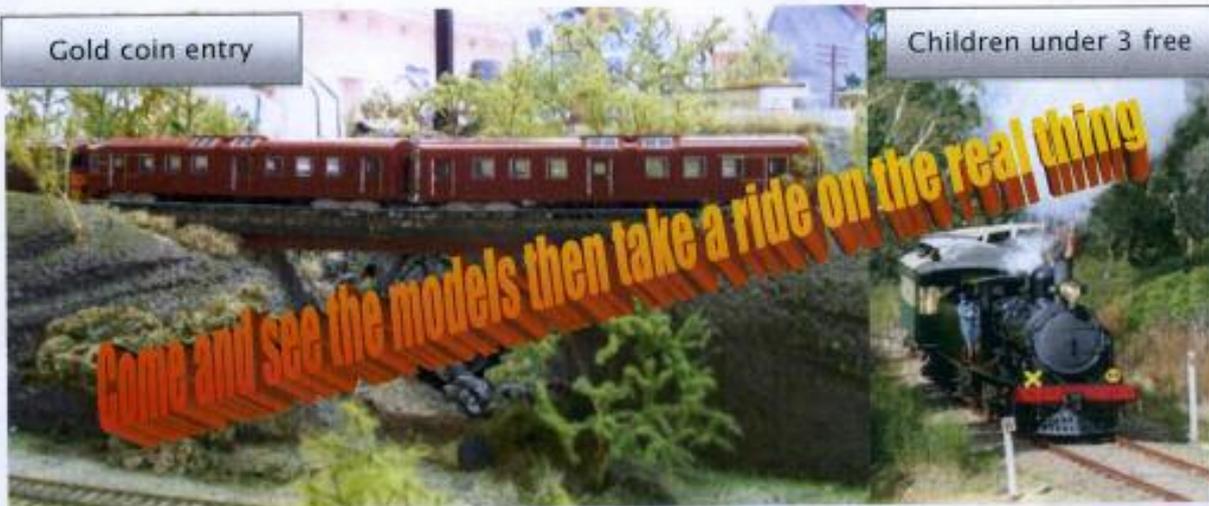
(Railway Terrace Victor Harbor)

Sat 3rd, Sun 4th & Mon 5th October

Open 10:00am to 4:30pm daily

Gold coin entry

Children under 3 free



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