



# Right On Track

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This newsletter is 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.

Just to show that we take our modeling and track laying seriously, this was the scene at the house of one member some time back, now there is a coach sitting on it.



## 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
Almoner	Mick Kerry
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**Next Committee meeting  
7:30pm Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2010**

### Kapara Aged Care Display

**6<sup>th</sup> June 2010**

**80 Mosley St, Glenelg**

**12:30 pm – 3:00 pm**

We will be doing the second of our community displays, this time for the residents and their families of Kapara Aged Care Setup will be on the Sunday morning, we will leave the clubrooms at 11:00

### AMRE Exhibition

**12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> June 2010**

**Greyhound Park**

The list for passes is now closed so if you're are not on it you will have to organize your own pass. Setup will be on the Friday morning. Don't forget your cup if you want a coffee.

### Stawell Exhibition

**10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> July 2010**

**SES Hall Stawell**

We have been accepted for this. We could still use more volunteers for this activity. We will be leaving Adelaide on the morning of Friday July 9 and returning on Monday July 12.

There has been a change and exhibitors will be able to stay overnight in the clubrooms and some billeting may be available. If you are interested please tick the list on the notice board.

### Swapmeet

**Friday 23rd July 2010**

**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](mailto:events@noarail.com)

Strictly one person entry

### Aged Care Display

**Date not set yet**

**Location not set yet**

While there is nothing set yet, this is just an early notification that there will be one or two in this space soon, keep an eye on the notice board, this space and the *stop press* page of our website.

### Our Exhibition

**Sat 9th-Sun 10th October 2010**

**Seaview High School**

Planning is coming along quite well with a very full venue; the floor plan has gone through several reshuffles.

There is a helper list on the notice board please add your name to indicate your availability so that we can set up a roster to share the workload evenly so that everyone can enjoy the weekend.

### Open Day and Swapmeet

**Sunday 7th November 2010**

**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, \$10 if paid in advance.

Bookings [events@noarail.com](mailto:events@noarail.com)

Public entry at 10:00 am \$2

## Late Night Run

On Saturday 1st May we had a late night run at the clubrooms, this consisted of both a social event and a practice/learning session for exhibition running.

The social side was an absolute hit as there were 26 people, both members and their family when I counted and I'm sure that some had already called it a night by that time. It was good to see the clubrooms full of happy faces especially the not so often seen "other halves" that help to remind us there are other things besides trains.

The practice/learning session started off well whilst the mentors were in place but once the 'newies' were left alone things went rather off course and there were a few investigations leading to license restrictions being discussed. Basically the run did what it was supposed to do and that is to show the "I know how to do it" that theory is a lot different to practice and that being able to run one train is nothing like exhibition running.

One of the top hits of the night was the running of DCC on the permanent layout from the mezzanine, you get a great view of the whole layout and we had several trains cruising around on DCC and more on DC. Oh I forgot Mr. Expert you can't do that can you? :) While a few electrons were inconvenienced, no decoders or systems were harmed.

There are plans to have more of these late night runs later in the year as they are so popular.

## Kapara Display

After the great success of our first display we will now be doing another, this time at Kapara Aged Care which is situated at 80 Mosley St, Glenelg from 12:30 pm – 3:00 pm or maybe a bit later.

The setup will be much the same as Perry Park, on the Sunday morning we will leave the clubrooms at 11:00. This will be your last chance to run before Greyhound Park so get in a little practice.

## Wanted

We are looking for some locos for the Bedford Park layout, if you have something suitable please see a Committee member, these could be a little too far below par for you but as long as they run will do the job of getting the layout up and running for this worthy cause.

## New Member

Welcome to Donald Newby who takes our current membership to 56.

## DCC on Paradigm

On Saturday I began the application of DCC to both mainlines of Paradigm, starting with the right-hand front control box, after fitting the relays and wiring I hooked up the DCC track power via temporary input wires to test the system to that point. To my horror the Lenz system shutdown each time that I switched on the relays. It took a couple of minutes to realise my mistake and cut the corner off my electrical license and then a few more to correct the wiring. I blame the fact that there were trains running on the layout and people talking to me while I was wiring for the lack of concentration.

It was then time to do a practical test so I borrowed the nearest DCC equipped loco, thanks Ron, and had it running along both the top and bottom tracks and into the shunt yard all on DCC proving my wiring was all ok.

Whilst doing this testing I accidentally let the loco cross onto the unconverted DC controlled mainline section, it hardly noticed the change and just cruised happily along at almost the same speed, the Lenz system did shut down as would be expected without any protection, but the main thing is that contrary to all the "experts" all decoders and systems are fine and the world did not come to an end. But then that's what happens with proper wiring.

While this work is going on the layout will be fully functional, but the panels will be a bit loose and wiring vulnerable, so please take a little extra care during use.

## Website Update

The exhibition page now has a list of confirmed attendees, there may still be an addition or two depending on space and I am working on that now.

Have a look around the gallery as many new files are added regularly, this is the most popular section of the site.

The coming events page has been updated to include a list of other rail oriented events and information will be added to this as it is made available. This is a free service with the proviso that the event must have some railway interest. So if you know of an event, send the details to [admin@noarail.com](mailto:admin@noarail.com) and they will be added to it. [http://noarail.com/coming\\_events.htm](http://noarail.com/coming_events.htm)

## New In Stock

End of the Line Hobbies have just received a shipment of LEDs especially designed for DC and DCC model railway. The range includes sunny white and prototype white colours in 3mm, 2mm, 1.8 and microdot size, all useful in many applications such as headlamps and marker lamps. Also received were 3mm and 2mm red/white LEDs with three leads that can also be used for marker lights that change colour dependant on direction. They all come in packs of 6 and include the appropriate value resistor

## RailPage Up (Sort of)

There is a lot of discussion on the net re the resurrection of RailPage, it has had a holding page for sometime but the future still seems a while off yet, those in the know are not telling.

# 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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