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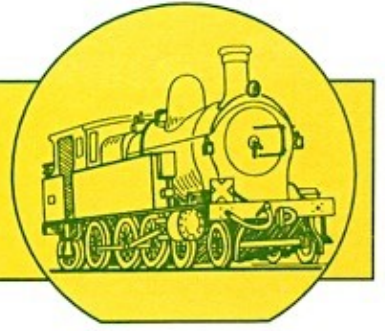
**PROMOTING THE HOBBY IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

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**THE**

# **BUFFER STOP**



***HAPPY 60th BIRTHDAY SARMA!  
1957-2017 AND STILL GOING STRONG***

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### Diary

**Wed 10 May    General Meeting (60th Birthday)**  
**(including cake and SARMA slide Show)**

Wed 17 May    Work night

Wed 24 May    Work night

**Sat 27 May    60th Birthday Dinner**

Wed 31 May    Work night

Wed 7 Jun      Work night

**Wed 14 Jun    General Meeting (AMRE Past Photos Slide Show, Model Display)**

Wed 21 Jun    Work night

Wed 28 Jun    Work night

Wed 5 Jul      Work night

**Wed 12 Jul    General Meeting**

Wed 19 Jul    Work night

Wed 26 Jul    Work night

Wed 2 Aug     Work night

**Wed 9 Aug    General Meeting**



**Down the Track  
& Over the Hills;  
Exhibitions, etc.**

May 20,21  
 Albion (Vic) All American & Albury (NSW)  
 & Richmond Vale (NSW)

**June 10-12 Angle Park (SA)**  
**Adelaide Model Railway Show**  
 & Ballarat (Vic), Glen Waverley (Vic),  
 & Thornleigh (NSW)

August 26,27    Caulfield (Vic)  
 & Coffs Harbour  
 Branchline Modellers Forum

**September 2 Adelaide (Flinders)**  
**Modelling the Railways of**  
**South Australia Convention**

September 7-10    Adelaide (Reynella)  
 National N scale Convention

September 16-17    Adelaide (Torrens Valley  
 Christian School )  
 NMRA Convention

## 60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY BIRTHDAY DINNER

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> of May, 6pm

Maylands Hotel 'Regal Room'

*Please contact Matt to have your name on the list!*

## JOHN'S HANDYMAN SERVICES

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**Front Cover: Hugh Williams shared these two photos of SARMA Clubrooms past and present– the first Nissen Hut at Mile End after delivery, and the newly finished Galvey Hall mk 2 at Dernancourt.**

**SARMA Inc.** meets on the **SECOND WEDNESDAY** of each month at 7.30 p.m. in the ‘**Log Cabin**’ building on Lyons Road, Dernancourt, at the corner of Balmoral Road. Work nights are held on other Wednesday nights in the shed adjacent to the log cabin. See the Diary on Page 1 for details.

**UBD Map 96 Ref D12 or Gregory’s 148 J12**

**Membership rates 2016 – 2017**

Joining Fee:	\$10.00	Country (BufferStop posted):	\$50.00
Full (age ≥ 18):	\$60.00	Country (BufferStop via internet):	\$45.00
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**The Membership Year runs from 1 April to 31 March.**

Quarterly pro-rata rates apply to new members after 30 June each year.

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**The deadline for the June issue is FRIDAY 18 MAY**

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The Library may be accessed in the adjacent clubrooms before the club meeting.

# Editorial & Miscellanea

## HAPPY 60th Birthday SARMA!

Dear Friends,

What a pleasure it is for me to welcome you to this special anniversary edition of the Buffer Stop! Your usual editor, Peter P is on sabbatical taking a well earned break. By good fortune his break happened to coincide with the 60th birthday of the club which means I get to put together this especially historic issue. I have been insanely busy on my own accord— my book on the 900 class locomotives is set to be released at the June Long Weekend show so much time has been spent with research at State Records. And somehow I got this issue out on time!

In this issue we have a few photographic delights from the club's history. We are fortunate in having many of our members from the early days still with us along with many photographs from all over the years, though the very earliest days at 'Tin Town' were not as well recorded, unsurprisingly. It is of interest that so much care is taken to record everything of prototype railways so why not the histories of the model railway associations themselves?

The club is exhibiting two layouts at the June Long Weekend show this year, *Strathburn* and *Rails to Morgan Wharf*. If you would like to operate on these layouts, help out on the door or man the information desks please ensure you put your name on the list by the end of the MAY GENERAL MEETING, otherwise your ability to attend the AMRE show for free will be in jeopardy! The more people that are available to man layouts and fill spots on rosters, the smoother that the show will go and pressure will be eased on the 'regulars' who show up time and time again to perform these duties.

September of this year will be one of the busiest months on the modeller's calendar that I can

personally recall— not only is there the Swapmeet; the Grain Board layout at the Royal Show and the Modelling the Railways of South Australia Convention, but there are also two other events: The National N Scale Convention, at St Francis Winery from September 7-10, and the NMRA Convention, September 16/17 at Torrens Valley Christian School. I urge anyone who has an interest in N scale to attend the former (conflict of interest as I am on the organising committee!).



One final note: now that the clubroom fit out is complete and there is room available, tables are once again being made for MODELLING on regular Wednesday nights. Since the building work began what was formerly a dozen or so people steadily working away on kits or scratch building disappeared and have yet to return. This is a great pity as it is a great opportunity to get hints and help to improve your own modelling. So why not bring along a kit, a loco to fit a DCC chip into or an unfinished project from your workbench and have a go?

*Matt*

## EDITED MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD AT DERNANCOURT ON 12th APRIL 2017

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN RAILWAY MODELLERS  
ASSOCIATION Inc.

Minutes of the GENERAL MEETING held at  
DERNANCOURT on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2017

**Meeting opened** at 7:25pm. Chairman: Fred Leaper  
After welcoming all present, the President  
presented Terry Meads with Life Membership for his  
efforts in coordinating the last twenty nine  
Swapmeets.

Members present: 51

Apologies: 1

Visitors: Norm Wilkinson

New Members: Allan Smith, nominated by Peter  
Carter and seconded by Tony Sitters; accepted.

**Minutes** of previous meeting: Moved by David van  
der Linden and seconded by Richard Ash; Carried.

Outstanding Actions and Business arising: Nil

### **Correspondence in:**

Voucher from End of the Line Hobbies - \$12.55. (last  
one due to closure of store)

Telstra invoice – Club Message phone (\$6.00cr)

Model Railroader – May 2017

Chris Marlow – Letter of appreciation for Dean  
Schluter

TTG Council – Invoice for premises hire for winter  
season (\$516.00)

AMRA – Change of postal address

AMRA Journal for Mar – April 2017

David Orr (via email) – Membership enquiry

Brenton Manning (via email) – Donation of HO and  
N scale items

### **Correspondence out:**

Family Pass for AMRE to Liz Everett for George  
Bishop items

Family Pass for AMRE to Mayor Kevin Knight

Reply to David Orr

Reply to Brenton Manning

**Business from corres:** Nil

**Finance:** Financial statements presented – see  
attachments

Accept financial report: Moved by Gordon Chaplin  
and seconded by Trevor Carter; Carried

Swapmeet report was not ready, as not all the  
invoices are in.

### **Reports:**

**Exhibition Layout** – Last call for names on AMRE  
lists.

**Club Layout** – Dean was happy with the progress  
while he was away.

**Social** – Birthday Dinner names still needed. May  
general meeting will have an extra raffle. A  
proposed working bee at Tailem Bend Roundhouse  
will be sometime in May. Matt also wants pictures of  
SARMA events for a slide show in May.

**BufferStop** – Some people having problems logging  
in to get their magazine. There was also an error in  
the entertainment description. Matt will be doing  
the magazine for a couple of months.

The winner of the "Where Is It" for last month was  
Trevor Carter. The location was Tailem Bend.

**Library** – Nil

**Maintenance** – Alarm system will be installed in the  
clubrooms.

**Bulk buys** – Don will be purchasing PVA in 4litre  
containers. Members price will be \$5 per litre.

### **Special Events** –

Trip to Stawell is going ahead. Dates are 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>  
July 2017

### **AMRE** –

Organising is well in hand.

### **General Business:**

John Looker (via Tony Sitters) was looking for  
pictures of the VR FCW 86' flat cars for a  
presentation at the next Modelling the SAR  
Convention.

Tony Sitters donated his written records of all the  
SARMA train trips over the years to the library for  
archiving.

Colin Barnes thanked his team of helpers at the  
Swapmeet and announced a profit of \$262.50.

Roger Wheeler was offering the last of the items from George Bishop for sale. Anything left will be put on the second hand table at AMRE.

David Jameson spoke about visiting some of the locations mentioned on the program Landline. In particular, the newly decorated silos at Mt Gambier.

**Show & tell:**

Peter Pickering – Small wooden balls for various uses like knob ends bought from a cheap shop.

Trevor Carter – Card model of a chapel. Trevor aided in the manufacture of stained glass windows for it. He also mentioned station building kits for Mitcham, Mt Lofty and others to come.

**Raffle:**

Green, O70, David Baird, Junction Models voucher  
Grey, N50, Brian Woods, Hobby knife  
Green, O31, Paul Mackinnon, Duratech moto tool accessories  
Apricot, X97, David Boyce, Aussie Card Models kit

Green, V15, Roland Pinto, Bridge kit  
Grey, Q89, Noel Potter, 520 DVD  
Green, V48, Peter Stanford, Ballast  
Grey, N100, Steve Curtis, LED kit  
Grey, Q93, Chris Symons, Weathering powder  
Grey, N26, Roger Wheeler, Superglue  
Grey, N98, Steve Curtis, Xacto knife  
Grey, Q70, Tim Leach, Model car  
Grey, Q40, Hugh Williams, Peco point wires  
Apricot, X74, Peter Pickering, Solar powered car electronic kit

**After meeting activities:** Noel Potter presented a 'How to' on producing models through mould making.

**Meeting closed at 9:45pm**



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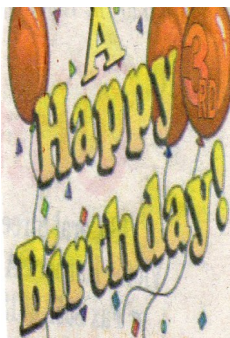
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## 50 Years Ago: May 1967

DAS

**President: Bill Coles**, Vice-Presidents: Don Willshire, Ray Stratton, Secretary: Trevor Carter, Treasurer: Peter Beck, Librarian: Alan Aldous Committee Members: Bob Irvine, Len Venus, Geoff Barnes, Editor: Tiny Edwards, Sub-Editor: David Condon.



### The Front Cover: -

**The front cover** is not actually what was in the actual issue printed. Surprisingly, the actual cover was probably one of the worst ever dreamed up and printed. Therefore, just "A Happy Birthday" is more fitting.

The 10th birthday of SARMA only ranked TWO mentions in the issue -- the Editor's notes and the information on the Birthday Dinner arrangements.

**Editorial:** A new Club year is under way, and with it, a new committee and a new Magazine committee. We will do our best to present all sides of railway modelling; American, British, Continental and of course, Australian. Your articles, hints and suggestions will always be welcome.

**Birthday Dinner:** The dinner will be held at the Richmond Hotel, **Rundle Street**, on Saturday 3rd June. Dinner Dance, including Floor Show -- **\$3.50 per head**.

**(I wonder what we will get for \$3.50 at our 60th Birthday Dinner on 27th May?).**

**Club Visits:** Tour of the Osborne Power House. This will be well worth visiting and a chance to pick up a free lump of coal or coke for your layout!!

### Club Speakers:

May: Bill Coles and Geoff Barnes -- Signaling

June: Trevor Carter and Tony Hill -- Kit Building

## 40 Years Ago: May 1977

TS

**President:** Trevor Carter, Vice Presidents: Vic Kolloosche, Allan Kitto, Secretary: Bob Irvine, Treasurer: Don Snow, Librarian: Tony Sitters, Layout: David Jameson, Maintenance: Alistair Whibley, Entertainment & Records: Len Redway, Editors: Rob Burford, Geoff Pearson.

### Programme:

Wednesday, 11.5.1977 – General Meeting Night – Lecture on “Early Locos of the SAR” by Hugh Williams.

Sunday, 18.5.1977 – Working Bee.

Wednesday, 18.5.1977 – Layout Construction.

Friday, 20.5.1977 – Construction Night – 2nd and final night of the Platform Shelter.

Sunday, 22.5.1977 – Working Bee – bring a paint brush or roller.

Sunday, 29.5.1977 – Working Bee – more painting.

Wednesday, 8.6.1977 – General Meeting Night – Film “Freedom Train, USA”.

### Committee Meeting Notes:

Layout Wiring – all alterations to wiring on the Club Layout to be noted in full on the appropriate wiring diagram and handed to the Layout Officer, David Jameson.

M.E.K. is available on Construction Nights only – cost \$0.60c per 500 ml.

The Committee wish to place on record, their thanks to the last “Buffer Stop” crew, Peter Ziegler and Elliott Johnstone, and to the other retiring Committee people, particularly Barrie Mackinnon, whose sterling service as Treasurer has been much appreciated.

### Club News:

SARMA 20th Birthday Dinner – Highbury Hotel, Saturday, 25th June, 1977. A la carte Dinner/Dance – commencing at 7.00pm.



### **30 Years Ago: May 1987**

PP

**President: Rob Burford**, Vice-Presidents: Austin Balnaves, Steven Masters, Secretary: Tony Sitters, Treasurer: Don Snow, Layout Dir: David Jameson, Maintenance: Brian Woods, Social: John Willmer, Librarian: Dean Jackson, Editors: Don Bishop, Terry Jomartz, Special Projects: Geoff Pearson

**Cover:** The driver of AN847 (leading 4201 on N° 409 freight) watches as “Southern Aurora” with 42211 and a 44 in charge storms through Bargo - photo Graham Cotteral 22/8/78

**“A Tale of Two Bridges”:** John Parkes presented an article on two small bridges on the Renmark - Barmera line that would make interesting modelling projects.

**“Observations of AN Diesel Locomotives”:** John Looker recorded and photographed the variations of various locos. Very observant our Mr Looker (there’s a pun for you!).

### **20 Years Ago: May 1997**

PM

**President:** Trevor Carter, Vice President (Administration): Peter Carter, Vice President (Special Projects): John Doherty, Secretary: Brian Leaney, Treasurer: Don Snow, Layout Director: John Willmer, Modular Layout Director: Phil Hart, Maintenance Director: John Doherty, Social Director: Edward Jackson, Librarian: Barrie Mackinnon, Editors: Bill Button & Paul Mackinnon

**Front Cover:** Four previous front covers of BufferStop from June 1957, May 1967, May 1977 and May 1987

**Layout Report:** Electrical work progressing at a good pace – with Grosvenor, Burra and Peelinna currently receiving attention. All mainlines have had drop wires installed.

**Advertisement** for SA Hobby Centre: Bachmann HO scale 4-8-4 NYC Niagra only \$135!

**Exhibition Report:** Port Pirie 8/9 March 1997 by Whib.

**1997 Master Modellers** Results by Peter Carter

**Article:** First five pages of the June 1957 BufferStop

**Article:** Green and Red colour light signals by Stan Wilton

### **10 Years Ago: May 2007**

DVL

**President:** Hugh Williams; Vice Presidents: Roger Wheeler, Iain Kennedy; Secretary: Peter Pickering; Treasurer: Karl Eichinger; Layout Director: Dean Schluter; Exhibition Layout Director: Bob Houston; Social Director: Barrie Mackinnon; Maintenance Director: Dean Schluter; Librarian: Allan Norris; Editors: Chris Marlow, Harry Rush.

#### **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Special Edition**

**President’s message**

**SARMA** badges and Membership Badges through the years

**Fun facts** about the year 1957

**SARMA** – The first 50 years

**SARMA** Events and Activities, 1957 – 2007

**On Distant Rails**

**Loads** for freight wagons



## A SELECTED SARMA GALLERY ACROSS THE YEARS



The Mile End clubrooms were SARMA's home for the longest period of time and it is worth examining views of the facility in the earliest and final days. Above, the delivery of the first Nissen Hut building to Mile End.

Arranged by Roger Wheeler through his connections in the Housing Trust, the Hut came from the former 'ATHOL PARK PLAY CENTRE', visible in the sign. (Hugh Williams)

Below is a shot taken towards the end, in 1994 with standardisation rapidly approaching and the demolition to go with it. Contrast with the shabby nissen hut in the first picture— a homemade verandah, lovely front door and windows and has been painted green. Behind can be glimpsed the 'Beltana' extension, so named because the hut frames were acquired from said place, once again thanks to Roger Wheeler. (Bernard Martin)





Compare the two crowds and see if you can spot any duplicates! Above, a Trevor Carter photo of a SARMA freight trip to Mt Gambier with the happy travellers in the 1970s, and below a 2011 shot of the *Florey Springs* operation crew at Sandown, Hugh Williams Collection. Actual historic layout photos will appear in the June edition of the magazine to coincide with the Adelaide Model Railway Exhibition.





Two views taken at a club picnic, possibly in 1976. Some very familiar faces can be spotted in both pictures, notice above one 'Top Cat' having a grand old time with his tripod and camera, as well as the highly civilised picnic table complete with tablecloth! Below, one 'Jammo' caught luxuriating in his fancy deck chair while Eric Milne toughs it out on a folding stool. The classic cars are well worth a closer look too! (Hugh Williams)





One of the biggest benefits to the club being at Mile End was that the clubrooms was right in the middle of a busy junction with trains constantly passing on either side. Imagine building an M van kit and then rushing outside to see the real thing trundling past– it would certainly help your weathering at least.

Bernard Martin shares two of his shots from June 1994, again in the twilight of the club’s tenure at Mile End. The changing face of motive power is evident. Above, a ‘Jet’ broad gauge goods is in the care of BL34 and 704, a powerful combination! The Broad Gauge main south is itself only a year away from conversion.

Below, AN7 leads possibly CLP10 with the Standard Gauge Ghan. The coaches wear their somewhat gaudy desert yellow scheme which is a matter of personal taste whether you like it or not!





Construction nights fifty or so years apart! Above is a rare colour shot of the busy workers at Tin Town working away on a club building project. Note the clubroom layout running along the back wall. This was the second club layout at Tin Town– the first was in the middle of the room.

Below in about 2012 in the 'old' Galvey Hall at Dernancourt another batch of busy workers. It can be dated owing to the presence of one of the 'Barrie Valley' N scale modules at the rear and 'Strathburn' under construction to the right. Happily modelling nights are returning in full force as of this issue. (Hugh Williams)





(above) John Looker snapped this photo of workers around the BBQ at Mile End. Among the happy people are Don Snow, Trevor Carter and Noel Potter.

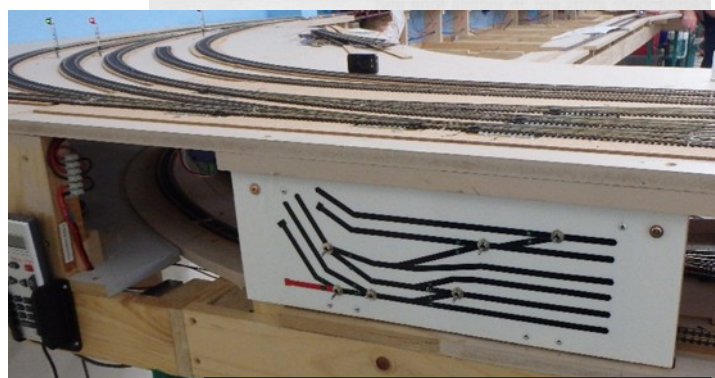
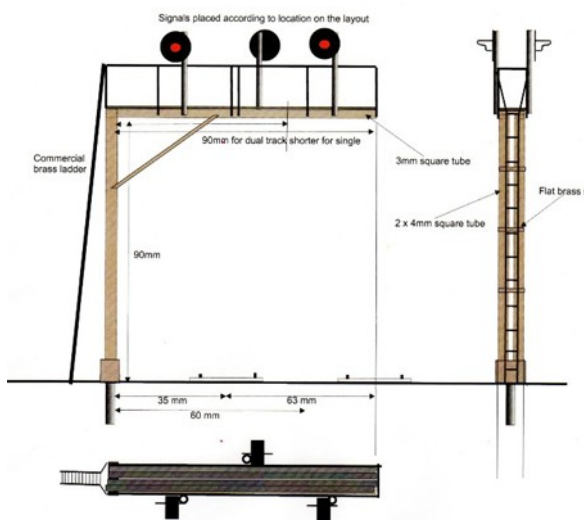
(below) Compare with the group below with hi vis vests all over and no work going on! Of course this is not a work function but an official SARMA visit to SCT in 2015. Jeremy Kemp, David Van Der Linden, Peter Pickering, John Gordon and Steve Curtis are examining a bogie in the SCT workshops.



Sorry but I was too late returning from my latest trip away to present the layout report for April. While I was away the Tuesday team started working on the Southern peninsular upper level containing the End station SOUTH END. This station has five turnouts (points) along the front edge of the base board and will obstruct clear access to the lower level tracks, so we have had to resort to PECO point machines with the PECO single pole frog switch and because there is no signal switching on these five turnouts we can get away with the single switch. So, it looks like someone has to build a CD power supply for the five PECO's.

I now should get back into the harness and get some signal wiring done so that some scenery can be finished at the back of the layout. Also, we have some Tuesday workers painting rails and laying ballast. The ballast is swimming pool filter sand sifted to the correct size and stained with Indian Ink. We are using this as it is free from my Son In-law, and we will need lots of it. When planting signals around the layout there are several spots where dual tracks are involved that the signals do not clear the NMRA gauge this is a problem that will require a cantilever signal bridge. I could not find a plan for these, only a not too clear photo shown below and use of the NMRA clearance gauge to draw the plan, I have made one out of brass tubing and I hope we have a couple of volunteers to make more. The alternative is to raise signal target head higher to clear the gauge, which is allowable in some cases. David Jameson has been busy creating control panels.

Happy Birthday SARMA.



David Jameson's Control Panel



Southern Peninsula Work In Progress

Graham kindly sent in these shots from his first trip with the club on 10th-11th September 1982, the weekend of the last Broad Gauge steam train to Port Pirie hauled by 520 on an ARHS special. His shots see the Australian National Railways still in the transitional period with the SAR and Commonwealth Railways diesels still mostly untouched apart from the ANR lettering or words. See Tony Sitter's excellent *SARMA ON TOUR* book for a full write up of this trip. Graham apologises for the quality as they were taken with a Kodak Instamatic Camera– he need not so as these shots very valuable for anyone wishing to get a flavour of the motive power found in Port Pirie during the gauge changeover.



Two ex SAR locos as part of the Standard gauge fleet in Port Pirie Yard. 601 sports Mustard pot livery and 863 is in the maroon and silver livery. Australian National painted three SG 830s in Maroon and Silver though that worn by 859/ 862 is not the same as that shown. Loco 863 is now in the hands of Steamtown Peterborough, though sadly it will be restored to Mustard Pot livery and not that seen here. The 600s colour scheme when first operational was almost exactly that which 863 sports– Mustard Pot does not sit as well on them.



Outside the dual gauge Port Pirie diesel depot sits GM34, still in ex-Commonwealth Railways livery apart from the ANR lettering. Of interest to the modeller is the switch stand next to the loco displaying 'SG' lettering denoting which gauge the track was set to. Meanwhile in Pirie yard we find SAR BG shunter 517 with an unidentified 930. The 500 class remains on broad gauge to this day, and has been donated in a non operational condition to the National Railway Museum by Genesee and Wyoming.





By good fortune or design, the club trip coincided with the very last broad gauge steam train to Port Pirie, with 520 doing the honours on a packed ARHS special.



By way of contrast, here is a shot from one of the previous SARMA trips to Pirie in purely SAR days. Class leader 600 shows how maroon and silver should look at the head of a standard gauge ballast train. TREVOR CARTER

*Where  
is it?*



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The main picture is the May pic.  
The inset is April's pic, which will be drawn at  
the May GM (That's tonight if you've just  
picked up your Buffer Stop from the  
clubroom).

Mark your form with the appropriate month.

Last month's picture was  
Taillem Bend



## SARMA SALES



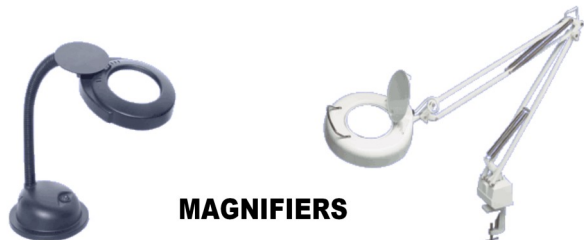
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SARMA Pin Badges	\$7.00
<b>"Rails and the River" Medallion</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>
Bogies: 40 ton Round Lid, Solid Wheels	\$13.00
Bogies: ANR XC	\$13.00
W Car Bogies	\$11.80
SEM Axles 10.5 x 25 mm	\$2.30
SEM Axles 10.5 x 26 mm	\$2.30
SAR M Van (BGB) Kit Includes	
Bogies & Couplers	\$35.00
SAR M Van (BGB) 5 Wagon Bulk Kit	
(No Bogies and no couplers)	\$85.00
SAR D van kit	\$19.00
DCC Decoders	\$25.00 each

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N Scale Modeller Issue 29

DVD: Trains Round Adelaide North/South 11, Vol 41

By John Venning

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*Allan Norris, Librarian*

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*Cheers from Brian, Vic & Matt*



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## AN APPEAL FROM JOHN LOOKER

I have been asked to give a talk at the 2018 Modelling the Railways of South Australia Convention on 'TNT' rail activities.

Do any members have or know of someone who has colour photos of the following 85 Foot Flats:

1. VR- FCW or new code VQDW
2. SAR- SFCS or new code AQDW

Either empty or loaded with containers.

All my photos have a dull rusty look.

Please Contact me on 0423 882 868, I have voice mail though unfortunately I do not own a computer.

Thankyou for any assistance!



Two shots from the 2016 AMRE to get you ready for this years, which is rapidly approaching!  
Above, scenery master Len Redway keeps a watchful eye on *Strathburn*, below, Jeremy and Eddie stand proud at the helm of their successful U-Drive layout, *Kempton*.



## AND NOW, AN APPEAL FROM MATT!

**WANTED FOR THE JUNE BUFFERSTOP AND JUNE GM: PICTURES OF PAST RAILWAY EXHIBITIONS THAT SARMA HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH.**

Please also bring along one or two models at the June meeting that you take along with you to AMRE to run on the layout.

At the June meeting I will be giving a slide show with shots from some past Exhibitions SARMA has displayed at.

# The Potterings of Noel Potter



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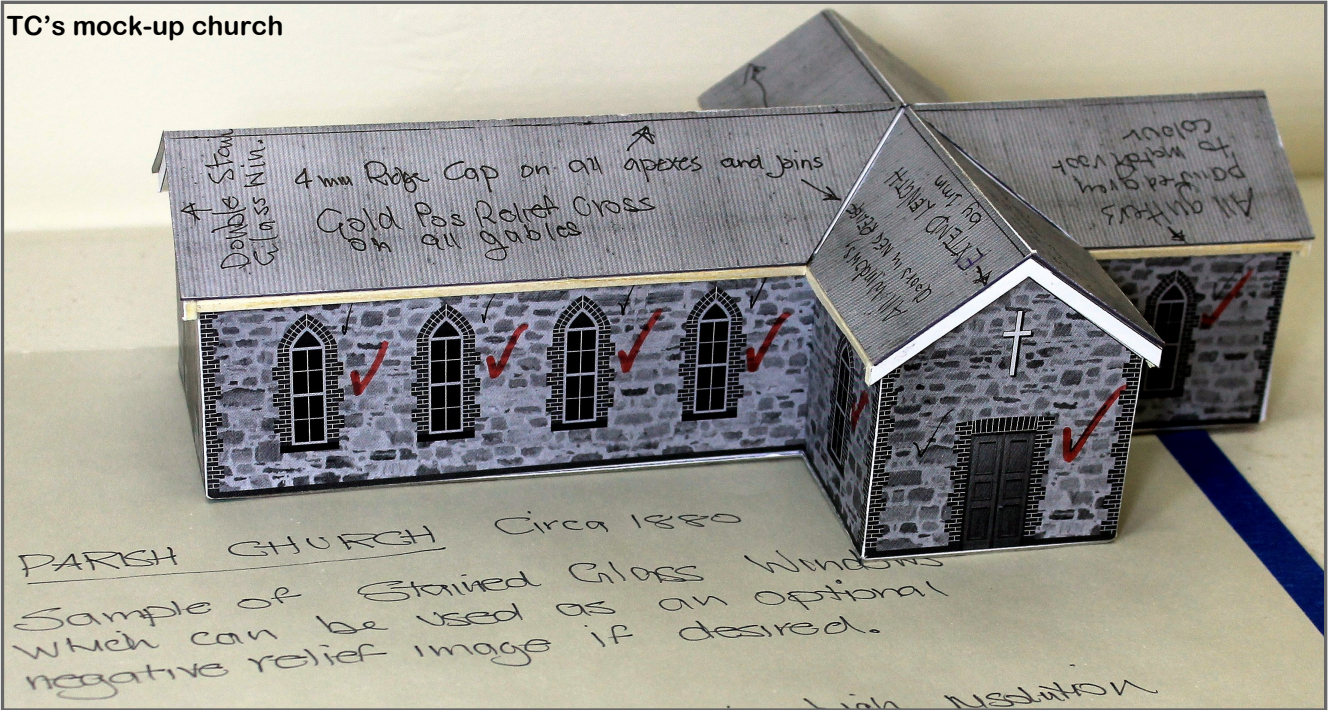


Balco Redhill

# Show 'n' Tell, etc

Another quiet month. More details in minutes, page 5

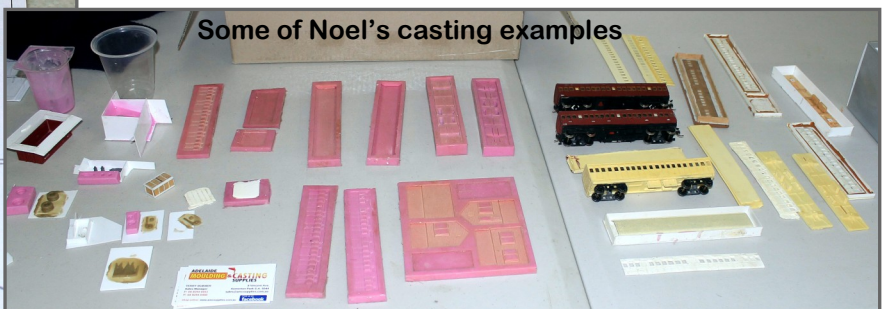
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# The Buffer Stop

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