



# Guild News

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*New South Wales &  
Queensland*

## Area News



*Progress with Paul Plowman's Ashburton layout*

### Latest News from Queensland:

Regrettably we have little news to report this month. This has been an on-going problem in finding enough material to support a monthly newsletter. We have therefore decided that perhaps we can provide a more interesting read if we move to a quarterly publication. This will therefore be the last of the monthly newsletters and we will publish the first of the quarterly newsletters for the third quarter of the year in July. Subsequent newsletters will be published in October, January, and April.

If we need to contact members sooner for, say details of a meeting, we will send out an additional email.

We would be pleased to include articles in this newsletter from members. If you have a project in progress, please send us a few lines and some pictures to share with others.

### Meetings in Queensland:

In the previous newsletter I mentioned the possibility of my holding a meeting on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. Unfortunately, I won't be able to make it. I will, however, hold a meeting just as soon as I am able.

### This Month:

I have been working on my new O Gauge layout. The old P4 layout has now been dismantled. Most of the supporting steel frame which supported the old layout has now been repositioned and modified as necessary to support the first stage of the new layout.

Out of the original 11 baseboards the design of the new layout enables me to reuse five of them. On the left of the picture (above) the three baseboards painted brown are from the old hidden sidings. A new baseboard has been built to extend the storage, see the fresh timber. On the right of the picture, two old boards are being reused.

For this first stage of the layout four more new baseboards are to be built. One forming a link at the far end of the shed and three more in the foreground on the right-hand side.

Ashburton Station will be located against the left-hand wall on the far edge of the picture.

Regards

**Paul Plowman**

## Books:

I have been contacted by Sally Gartside, daughter of former BRMA member James Gartside who passed away a couple of years ago. Sally is looking to rehome her father's collection of books and magazines.

James' main interest was the LMS which is largely reflected in his choice of books.

Sally is preparing an inventory of the books. If anyone is interested, please contact me for a copy of the inventory and Sally's contact details.



## For Sale:

I have also been contacted by Rob Lees who has two O Gauge Locomotives both built from kits, that he would like to sell. One is Duchess Class 4-6-2 Locomotive and Tender, No.6234 "Duchess of Abercorn". The other is a L M S Jinty 3F 0-6-0T Locomotive, No.7680 in unlined plain black. Both locos were built by Mike Ecob a very good model builder

### No.6234 "Duchess of Abercorn"

Model is built from an etched brass & white metal MMP kit and is powered by a Portescap RG7 gearbox motor. It is an authentic scale model of the beautiful Stanier Pacific loco built at Crewe in 1938. It represents its time in resplendent in LMS lined maroon livery. The level of detail is good - with individual copper piping on the backhead. Model has been lightly used, having spent most of its time on display. The tender is 3/4 empty showing part of the coaling equipment. Condition Good. Has its own wooden box + 520mm Peco track Total Weight 5KG.

**Price: Best Offer.**

### L M S Jinty 3F 0-6-0T

Finescale 7mm model of a L M S Jinty 3F 0-6-0T Locomotive, No.7680 unlined plain black livery. Has been reasonably well made from an Alan Gibson Kit. Mashima Motor. It features screw-link couplings and spring buffers. It is fitted with sanding pipes and brake gear and has some backhead detail. Driver and Fireman. Has real coal and looks realistic. The model has been put together reasonably well and the paint finish is pretty much typical for a dull black LMS loco. Condition Good. Has its own box Total Weight 1KG

**Price: Best Offer.**

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## News from New South Wales:

### Meetings:

Now that we have mostly come out of hibernation from the 'rona, I believe it is time for me to re-commence GOG activities, specifically around meetings which a few members have asked for. I have set up a [groups.io](https://groups.io/g/gognsw) group: <https://groups.io/g/gognsw>. The purpose of this group is to enable me to communicate GOG matters and for meeting information to be discussed. I prefer to take a 'hands off' approach to these groups, so I am more than happy for all members to use the group to discuss hobby-related matters.

I have already sent invitations out to all NSW members (who have with email addresses) to join the group, so if you haven't joined yet, haven't seen the invitation or need help in doing so, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Although the group is primary focussed on NSW and the ACT, members in other states are more than welcome to join, indeed, if they participate in cross-border meetings, it makes sense for them to do so.

At this stage, it is looking like some 'local area meetings' are possible.

GOG Member Michael Lane in Penshurst, near Hurstville, Sydney is already running a group and is welcoming members to join and build up the group. Attendees need to bring a kit along, for example wagons, carriages, Locos, buildings, scratchbuilding etc.

The group models on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month, 9.15 am to about 1.30 pm at 25 Lititia St Oatley NSW 8 minutes walk from the station. A portable Layout is possible.

Attendees must contact Michael first on 0498 465 782. He is also a member of the gognsw group.

### Local Businesses:

GOG member Glenn Scott runs 'Scale Model Co' in Thornleigh, Sydney: <https://www.scalemodelco.com.au/>. I am in the process of educating my 16yo son in the relative priorities of car meets and model shop visits, so I will be visiting shortly. I am told that the shop is an 'Aladdin's Cave' of models, including 7mm kits (British and Australian) and RTR Dapol and Heljan. Please support Glenn and ScaleModelCo.

## My Modelling Activities:

I haven't been doing a lot of modelling recently due to work, however, I do have three wagon kits (2x Parkside, 1x Slaters) on the workbench and will be writing about their construction.

For members who haven't seen them, I have a few other build articles:

EasyBuild Mark 1

SK: <https://modelrailways.online/Pages/Vu/BuildinganEasyBuild7mmScaleMk1CoachKit>

Parkside 15T Mineral

Wagon: <https://modelrailways.online/Pages/Vu/BuildingtheParkside16tMineralWagonKit>

Parkside PO Mineral

Wagon: <https://modelrailways.online/Pages/Vu/BuildingtheParksidePOMineralWagonKit>

Slaters BR Std

Van: <https://modelrailways.online/Pages/Vu/BuildingtheSlatersBRStandardVanKit>

Slaters GWR Cattle

Van: <https://modelrailways.online/Pages/Vu/BuildingtheSlatersBRStandardVanKit>

Freightman BR Std

Van: <https://modelrailways.online/Pages/Vu/FreightmanStandardVan>

Happy modelling,

**Graham Plowman**

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