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Hills Rail Time

Your annual fees are



due. By the time you read this, it is hoped that you have paid your yearly subs to the treasurer.

**IF NOT, THEY ARE
OVER DUE - PLEASE
DO SO ASAP.**

*At the 1st July,
we still have a few of
our members who are
un-financial.*

*Early photograph near
Canterbury railway sta-
tion.*



Exhibitions **HMRS Major** **Fundraiser** **Castle Hill.**

This year our annual Model Railway Exhibition will be held on 30th and 31st July at the Harvey Lowe Pavilion Castle Hill showground. All members are expected to be in attendance over the weekend and remember many hands make light work.

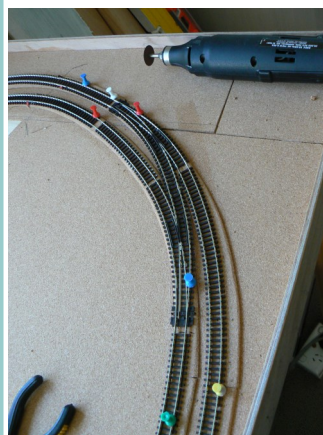
*Set up from 5pm on
Friday 29th July.*

*At the Exhibition, Club
shirts are to be worn on
Saturday and Sunday .*

*Are you building a
layout?*



*Where are your pho-
tographs?*



*I haven't been to
sleep for over a
year, that's why I
go to bed early.
One needs more
rest if one doesn't
sleep.*

. The committee has asked me to insert into this newsletter with the following request.



Just A Reminder

When we cater for invited guests, we do appreciate our members who attend and help. Please understand that only a certain amount of food is purchased so if any of our members just turn up without our prior knowledge, we could run out of food. If you would like to attend, please let us know beforehand, not just turn up on the day.

Thankyou for your understanding

Dates to remember.

Malkara Canberra exhibition on 6/7th August

Christmas Party on 10th December

AGM. 18th Nov. 8pm sharp

Thornleigh. 13/14th August

Liverpool. 4/5/6th October

A large number of bound magazines have been donated to the Society by Keith Todd. Please look after them.

These can not be removed from the society room at this stage until they are catalogued.

The Rainbow Serpent.

This mythic creature has two genders. As the creator of the rainbow, he is the masculine sun. As an excavator of river beds and dweller in waterholes and lagoons, she is the feminine Earth-Spirit.

Aboriginal meanings from the Dreamtime.



You can find this engraved / chipped out sandstone inside the Clarence Tunnel at the Zig Zag railway.

It reads.... W Kelly 29.10.42
This is when the tunnel was used for storage of fuel for the 2nd WW effort. Take a torch to find it.



As I said, We need your feedback.

Here is another one of my long term white metal projects. Its taken me 10 years so far since purchase, but now, it's on the go.



Anyone would think I had nothing else to do!!!! Do you have anything to show us? We would like to place them on Facebook with your permission of course. Contact the committee.

Let us know your story.

The committee is investing the possibility of a social day out at the Newington Armory, Sydney Olympic Park for our members and friends.

The costs works out at \$16 / pp for 40, \$21 / pp for 30 and \$32 / pp for 20. It's a 2 hour per-booked guided tour which included a in-depth commentary train ride around the area and a short walk to former workshops, gunpowder magazine and the armament display.

Expression of interest are required. We visualise that we will wait until warmer weather is here.

Contact your committee

Notes from the 1985 (2nd) AGM.

Our president, spoke on our first year's achievements. Our main commitment was the building of the club's main layout for the Castle Hill Show in July 1984. Additionally, we held during the year three slide nights, two video nights on railway modelling and a guest speaker night on track making and laying.

It has been a good year with not too many problems and the club has now hopefully settled down after its first "teething" year.

During 1984 we attended the Castle Hill Show and got good mention by all who saw it, especially other modellers.

We then helped out one local school and also ran a small show of our own at Kellyville in conjunction with the Lions Club. A second school was helped and for this day we borrowed Norm Canning's (one of our two founding members, who are still members) layout and the British lads had fun running trains all day. \$10 was offered to Norm for his running expenses and his willingness to lend his layout. (How things have changed)

It is the club's wish to have an "official opening" of the new, enlarged clubroom in February 1985. This month was suggested in order to give us time to get the new rooms ready. It needs cleaning (still a problem in 2016) painting and man-proofing, wires over windows etc.

Enough of the past for now, lets all concentrate on the 2016 Castle Hill Exhibition, we need all members assistance, from set up on the Friday to clean up on Sunday afternoon. This is our only major exhibition, please place your name on the rosters, located on the notice board in the Society rooms and we all should promote the hell out of the exhibition.

Have we seen these roses before?



Did you know that steam trams operated from Parramatta to Baulkham Hills from August 1902. Steam trains replaced the tram in 1923. Newspapers said, instead of improvement it made a useless railway out of a good tramway. The Stage Gov. proposed that they would build the railway from Epping to Castle Hill by 2010. They are a few years late, that's Gov. for you.

WE'RE ON THE WEB – WWW.HMRS.ORG.AU

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Do you know where this photograph was taken?



Answers next issue.

Answers to the quiz in the last issue

You will find it on the Woolgoolga beach.

A long walk somewhere in Western Australia, North of Broome in opposite directions.



Vale - James William Loosemore. 17th April 1979 - 8th June 2016. James joined the society a short time ago in 2014. He willingly helped where he could and he attended the clubrooms with his new wife and lately with their baby. He would talk to all and sundry and not always about trains. He will be sadly missed. Rest in Peace our friend.

The Last Word. ——— Keep in mind what happened 100 years ago.

On the 19th and 20th July 2016 we should remember that 100 years ago in 1916 at Fromelles (France) in World War 1 the Australian Infantry Force suffered shocking casualties of 5533 out of around 7000 AIF soldiers, with almost 2000 killed, all in a matter of 14 hrs. Lest We Forget.

If you would like to know more, contact me. Ron Mcl