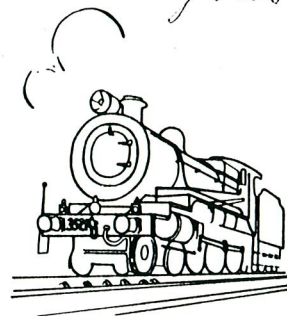


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Editorial:

Being the first issue in a New Year I suppose that an Editor is expected to go to print with some profound comments, but in the absence wise sayings it is good to be able to say that after a year of continuing and growing economic, industrial and political problems our hobby carries on its steady course of increased membership, new locos and greatly improved tracks and facilities. I firmly believe that in providing a channel for mental and physical activity outside the problems of the day that Live Steaming is a wonderful antidote to working day worries.

Reg. Wood.

Twentyfive Years ago:

Treasurer John Hurst at our last monthly meeting turned up some interesting relics of our earliest days - the organisation and duty rota for the first of many subsequent charity days. This is dated September 25th 1957 and despite the intervening 25 years could well be an example to us now of good planning, it is not possible to reproduce the original documents but suffice to say that the details left nothing to chance. It was planned to sell 1500 tickets for rides at 3d for two laps totaling 800', admission at the gate was 2/-, with current inflation we are now charging a lot less. There were eleven engines rostered for duty with others on display, drivers included A & S McKellar, T & B Hurst, R.Styles, G.Floyd, Clive Gunning, J.Austen & R Bowman, among other members mentioned were Cec. Gunning, C.S.McKellar, J.Hurst snr. R.Clark, L.Rawlings, W.Shellshear, S.Iredale, R.Brown, R.Code, J.Stewart. F.McIvor & W.Jones. A balance sheet for the same period showed assets of £166.17.0 of which £138.16.8 covered track construction and rails.

Annual New Years Day visit to I.L.S. by the Rail Transport Museum

Although it was expected that it would not be held this year owing to the ban on the running of Steam tours by the P.T.C. quite a number of members buried their pride and travelled to Wollongong by diesel hauled train for the annual new years day Bar.B.Q. at I.L.S.

Good support was given by S.L.S.L.S. members, among the early starters were Ern Sweet (Speedy), Cec.Gunning (Coronation) Maurie Haynes (C38) Ron Larkin with his Atlantic and Warwick Sandburgh with 2605, while one train was triple headed by John Mann (3290) Barry Tulloch (3813) and Ray Lee's pressure cooker as train engine (5902). 'The triple heading was greatly admired by members of the Museum and commented that it was a pity that such had never been seen in full size practice Ed.'. Shed duties were carried out by President Bill and Les Thompson while crib breaks were attended to by the ladies. After the visitors had returned to there train a very enjoyable Bar.B.Q. was had by all and after packing up the locos the usual Wollongong lobby chat carried on till about 8-30 pm.

One unusual side line to the day which pleased all of the mechanically minded was the arrival of I.L.S's patron Mr Tom Gawn with his new Rolls Royce Silver Shadow, Ex President Cec. Gunning was fortunate enough to have a drive of it during the afternoon and it is rumoured that he thought he was still in it on the way home when it cost him \$20.00. So ended another very enjoyable day on the Illawarra coast with the usual I.L.S. hospitality.

Reporter Ray Lee.

Organising on a National basis:

Members will be aware that the annual meetings that are now held on the Easter Sunday morning originated in 1966 at Ryde with the object of what is now our A.M.B.S.C. Boiler Codes, this was an object of which we can be proud not only because of the successful manner in which it is now operating but in that we were the first country in the world to achieve a uniform standard in regard to boiler safety. In recent years our meetings have started to cover other aspects of our hobby which can also be brought into line so that inter-club running can be enjoyed to the best advantage and also that other items of safety can be rationalised, this all suggests that we should establish this meeting as a National Association of all our clubs with a national secretary to keep things moving, a committee would be formed with the secretary and a representative from each club. Without taking up too much space here it is intended to submit a motion this Easter to establish such an association and it is hoped that unanimous agreement will be obtained, in this regard all clubs have received a copy of the motion and to date favourable reaction has resulted. The matter will be debated in full at our next club meeting to be held on March 6th so if you have any thoughts on the subject COME ALONG.

IT'S A BOMB *****

We would not like to describe your loco as a Bomb, the word is often quite derogatory, in this case the word is used in its true meaning and the following figures provided by Stan Childs more than make the point:

The hidden or potential energy pent up within our miniature loco boilers is considerable, and if expressed in terms of a known explosive, such as CORDITE, the amount of energy is astonishing.

Thus one cubic inch of water weighs 0.036 lb. and when at a steam pressure of 100 p.s.i.g. in a boiler, it will contain 41.85 British Thermal Units (B.T.U.) and as each B.T.U. is equal to 778 foot pounds of energy, then one cubic inch of water would contain a potential energy of $41.85 \times 778 = 32,562$ ft.lbs. or 14.534 ft.tons.

The potential energy in one pound of CORDITE is quoted at 77 ft.tons therefore the energy within a 1 1/8" scale N.S.W.G.R. C-38 class boiler containing 2.75 Imp.Gals. at half glass and steam at 100 p.s.i.g. could be 14.534×762 (2.75 gal.) = 11077 ft.tons equal to 143,9 lb. of CORDITE.

Thus careful and thorough boiler inspections are a necessity if our hobby is to retain its popularity and prestige.

S.L.N.Childs.

The men who built them *****

A happy note in a recent news bulletin from the R.T.M was to the effect that Mr Harold Young, former Chief Mechanical Engineer and designer of the 38 class engines, celebrated his 90th birthday on 11th December last. All steam enthusiasts young and old would join in wishing him all the best for the future,

A bit of poetry: From the news sheet of another club with another hobby but the same problems.

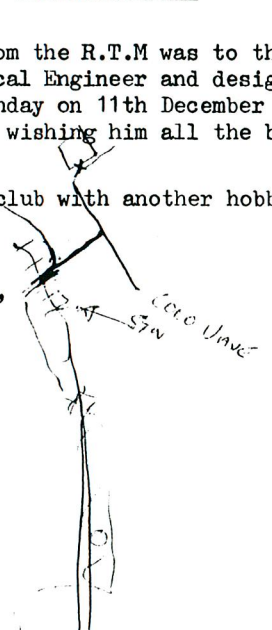
Are you an active member?,
The kind that would be missed,
Or are you just contented
Your name is on the list?.

Do you attend each meeting
And mingle with the flock,
Or do you stay apart
To criticise and knock.

Do you take an active part
To help the work along,
Or are you satisfied to be
The kind that just belongs?.

Do you push the work along,
And make things really tick,
Or leave the work to others
And talk about the 'clique'.

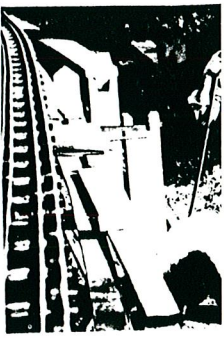
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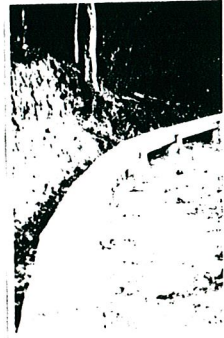
Colo Vale Public Open Day:::

Dont forget Colo Vale Public Open day on Saturday 1st March, Traction Engine, Steam Roller and vintage truck rides for the kids. On Sunday 5" gauge locos, come on either day, if interested or you want information get in touch with Ray Lee. Please note that locos and passenger trucks are wanted for both days.

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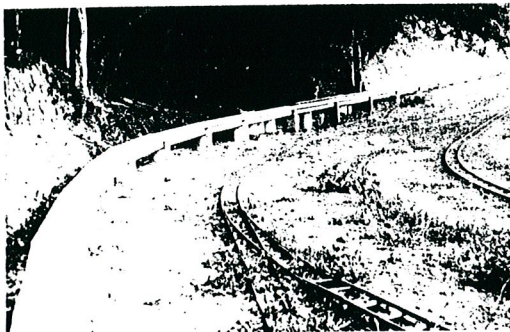
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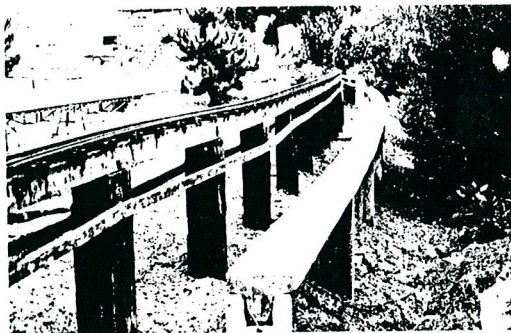
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Coming Meetings ::: at the usual place and time.

March 6th

Notices of Motion

- (1) "That on the societies tracks the paying public is to be carried on 5" gauge trucks only."
- (2) Alteration to Rule 7
That the word "elevation" be deleted and the word "transfer" be inserted in its place.
Alteration to Rule 11
That the word "elevation" be deleted and the word "Transfer" be inserted in its place.
That the figure "18" be deleted and the figure "6" be inserted in its place.
- (3) Notice of motion is given of the intention of the office bearers to submit W.Edgecombe for transfer from "Associate Member" to "Full Member".

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April Meeting - Change of date.

Due to the proximity of the first Tuesday (1st April) with Easter Monday (31st March) and the Convention at Newcastle it has been decided to hold the meeting on Tuesday the 8th April. At the conclusion of general business at this meeting an 8 m/m movie film will be shown by John Lyons, N.S.W. Steam during 1969-1973.

ROSTERS :::::

Gate Roster

15 - 3 - 75	T. Geraghty
19 - 4	N. Campbell
17 - 5	B. Tulloch
14 - 6	J. Ranford
19 - 7	R. Lee
16 - 8	J. Hurst snr.
20 - 9	C. Gunning

Garden Roster

Mar '75 G.Sharp, B.Kilgour, R.Larkin, P.Hinkley, J.Hurst jnr.
Apr '75 M.Haynes, G.Sorenson, H.Ball, B.Potter, E.Sweet.

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