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# **FOOTPLATE**

## **Lockdown Special**



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## WELCOME

I hope you are all keeping well during the lockdown period. I know many of you are modelling and have posted onto the clubs Facebook group but not all of you are members. So I have collected these modelling stories and have reproduced them here for everyone to see.

We will let you know mid June if we can reopen in July or if the closure will continue.

Paul

Front cover: Coupla guys got Lockdown sorted...

Mick

# Mick

Still working on 271. Here the coal scoop, scratch built in brass. And the rest of the loco. Cab is off to add glazing and crew. Nearly there. Just need to coal the tender and do final tweaks.



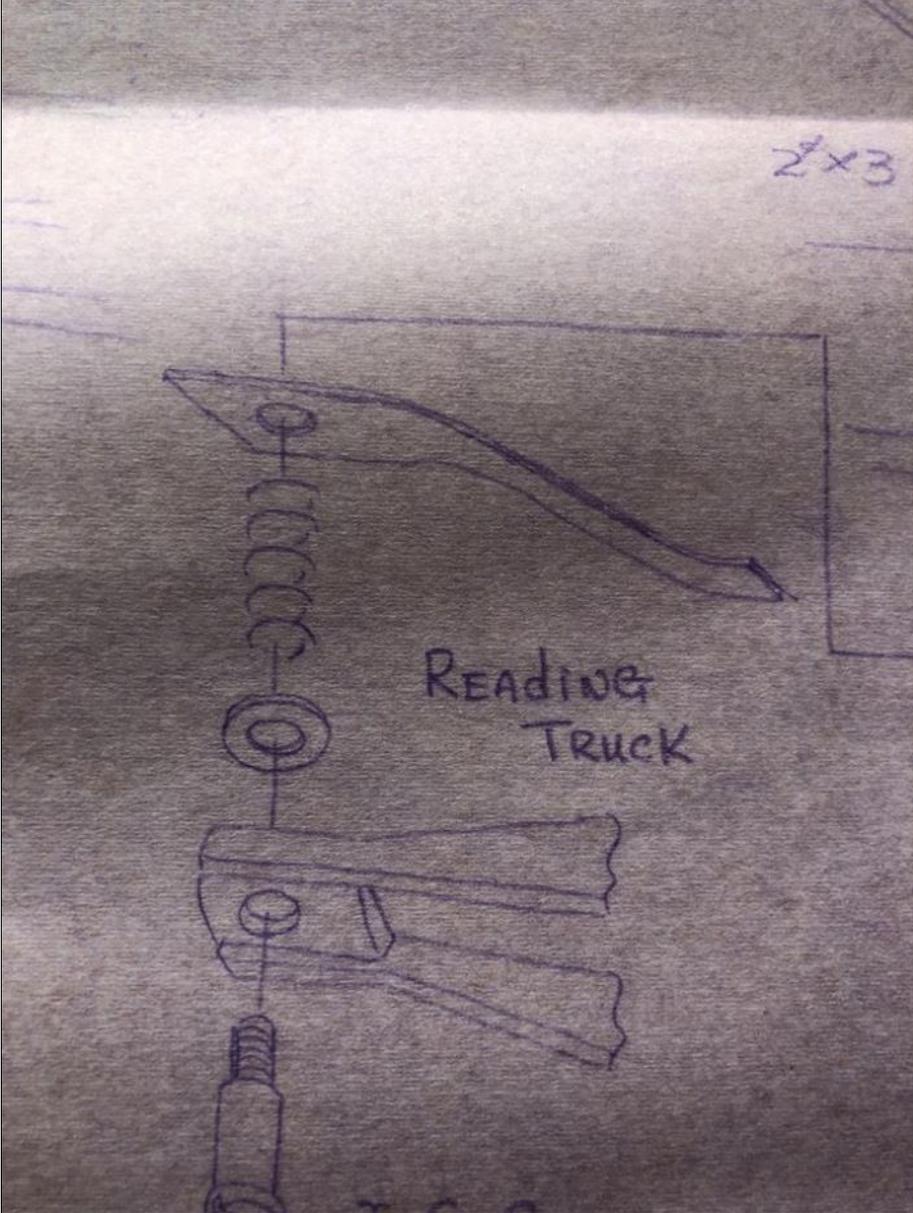
Just taken this O Scale KTM 2-10-4 out of the box. Don't think it had ever been out of the box and unwrapped since it was made in the 1960s. Chassis is totally seized with dried up and solidified 50+ year old grease. Now to assemble it and get it working.



It's together and running, after about 2.5 hours work, not entirely just screwing it together.

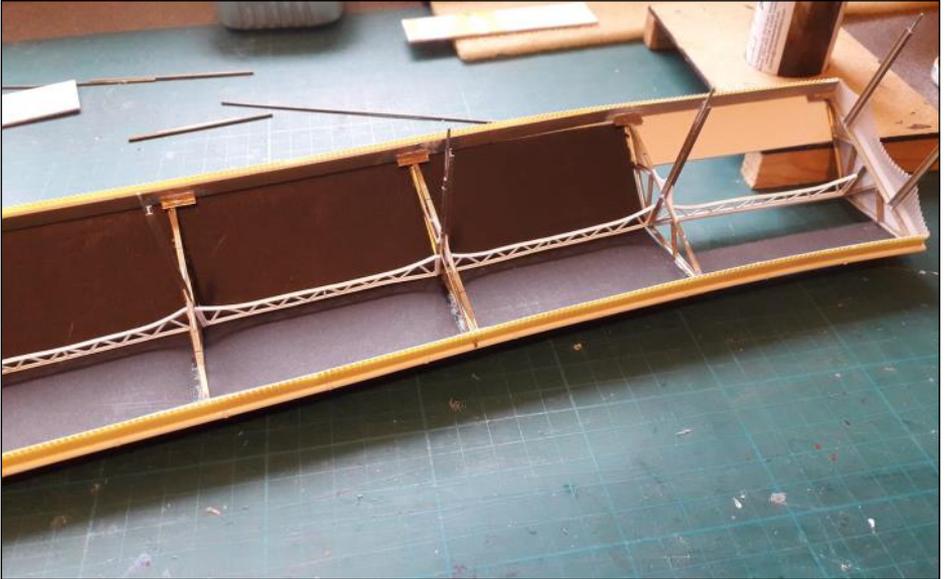


You know the old joke about the Japanese with English L and R sounds? Take a look at this bit from the “instructions”...

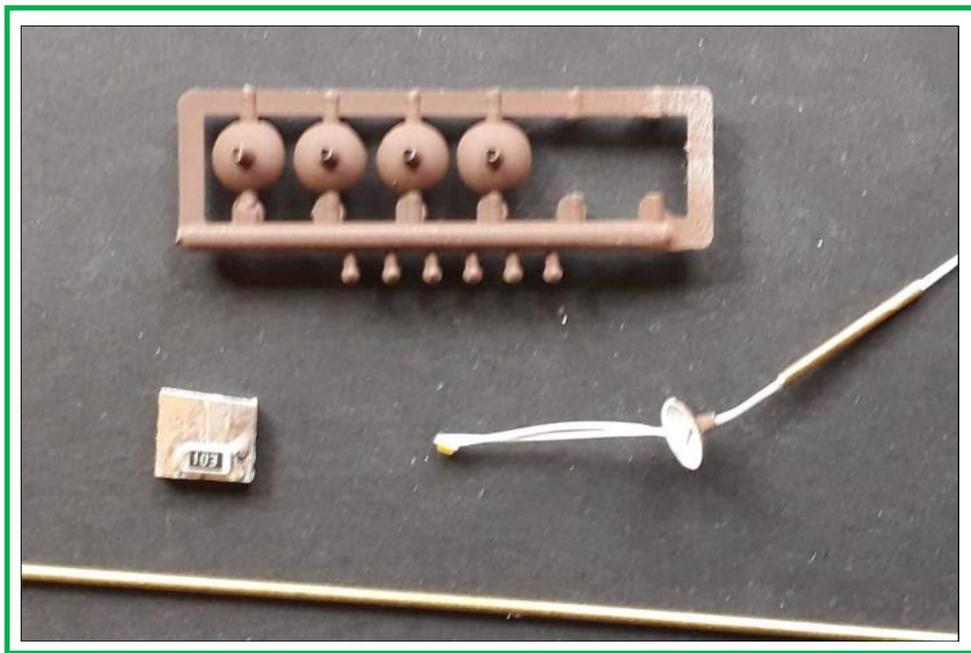


# Tim

The bay awning coming along. The corrugated foil is fixed on the top side. The strengthening brackets between upright and A frame are in and the girders under the ridge. Lighting being prepared (see next photo) and then a bit more under canopy girder work is needed - enough to be glimpsed from trackside photos.



These are the components for each light under the canopy - 26 off. The LED is threaded through a Grandt Line shade and then through some very fine tube. The tube will be soldered to the A frame to hang down. The 10k resistor is on a small pad of copperclad and feeds the LED. These are glued behind the valance out of sight and all 26 wired in parallel. The negative return is via the brass structure.



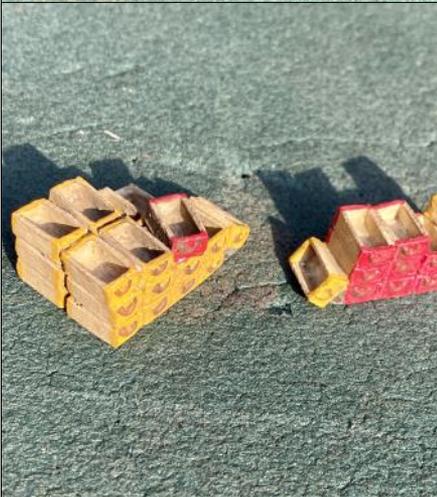
## Rob

M7 unfroked. At last I have started some modelling by stripping my M7 back to brass so I can finish it. Had to remove back of cab as it was not fitting correctly. Last time I looked at it was 3/4 years ago. Want to get it working for first test track night - long shot I fear.



# Graham

Detailing bits & pieces this week, all painted, weathered and lettered by myself. All from the Anyscale Models range of resin castings.



This weeks efforts have mainly been weathering wagons. The grey 7 planks and box vans are P4 for use on Aylesbury, the bauxite 5 planks are for my Dads new build layout, Inchyra Mill.



The sheeted open is created using Tunnocks caramel wafer wrappers, a method picked off RMWeb and this is my first attempt. It is wrapped over a solid former (intended to represent bales of imported wood pulp).



More weathered wagons in P4 this week.



# James

3 sections of track base cast and installed. 8 more to do but due to the rain predicted I'll be doing that in the garage!



Since posting the picture of my 6 part-finished coaches, I've now completed 2 of them. 4 compartment brake 3rd and a composite. At a stroke I've doubled the length of my Maunsell rake! 4 coaches to go!



More progress in the garden. All the concrete track base sections are cast and installed. Need to make the timber parts of the track base next to join this loop to the back of the shed and the station inside.



# Roy

I have found the time to complete one of my 'pig's ear' projects - upgrading a Triang (yes, really!) Gangwayed Bogie Luggage van. I believe this is the longest running item in the Hornby catalogue with first examples produced in 1958.

Surprisingly, the van is dimensionally just about spot on. Having said that there are plenty of shortcomings including the bogies, over scale opening doors and the roof - and best not mention the planking.

Anyway, it's been lying around for yonks along with a Roxey detailing kit and some other bits and bobs.

It took longer than I expected and while it's no silk purse I think it's passable if the 3 foot rule is applied.

Next project some more signals for Aylesbury P4.....



# Paul

A scratch built Dutch pedestrian lift bridge, 1:160 scale

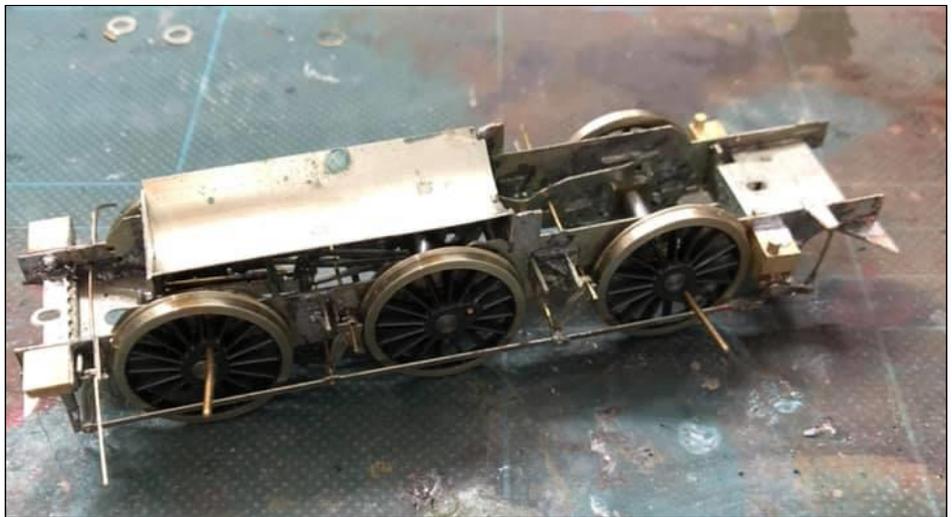


I have been getting on with the back of the Dept store block. The unit on the right is almost finished, the one in the middle is getting details and paint and the one on the left is just a shell. It needs an interior and another 3 floors added. The front needs 3 more window displays and the revolving doors.



# David

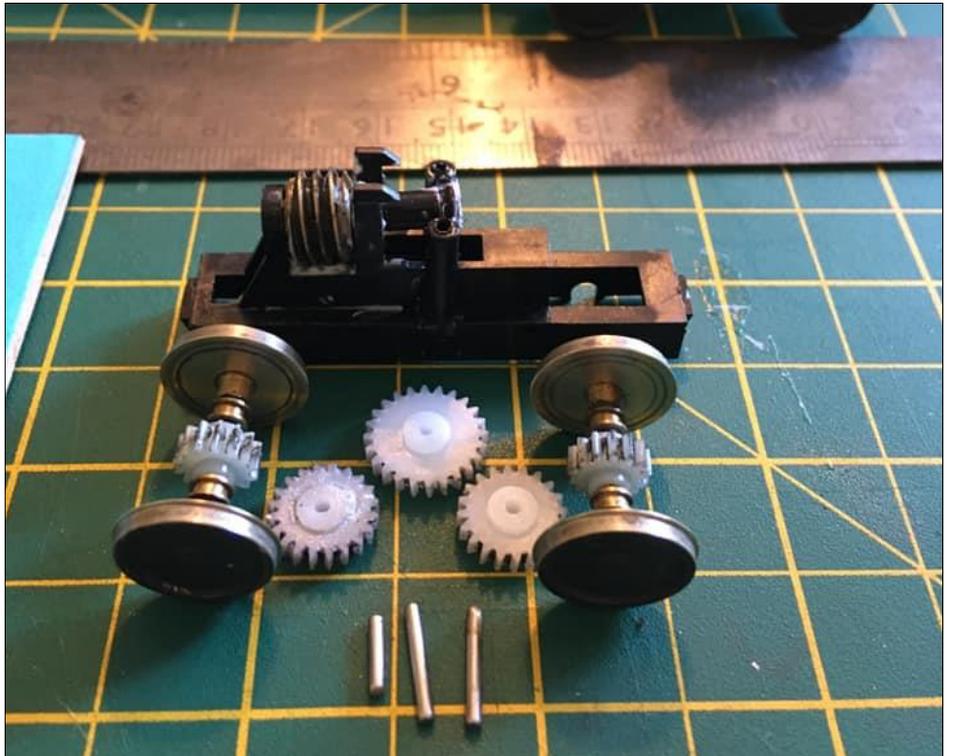
A bit more work on the 54xx it was first started about four years ago but this home time as made me finish some UFOs

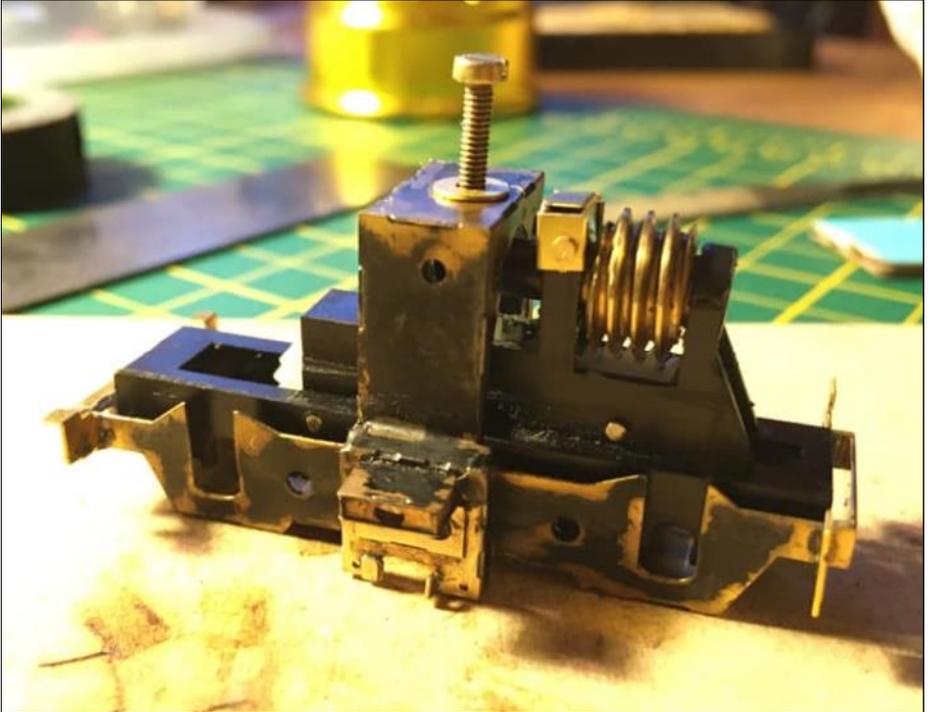




# Chris

So that was my modelling Saturday.  
Beginning to look like it will all work!





Made a bit of time for the PenBits Class 24 this evening. Waiting for the drills from Eileens to do the wheels, so I pressed on with the sideframes.

There's a fair bit of sawing, slicing, shaving and filing to be done. Happy with the test fit though ...

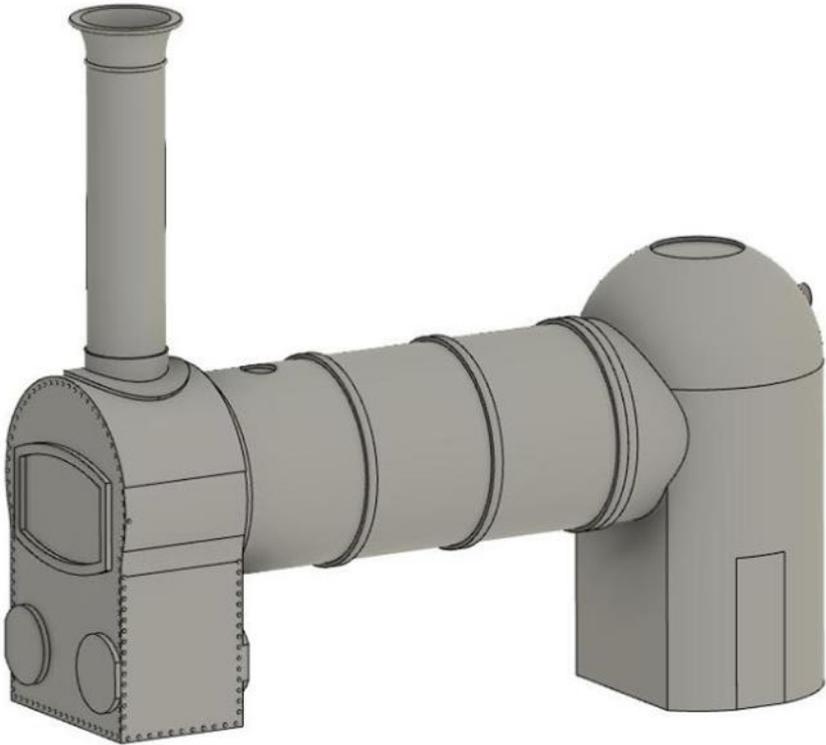


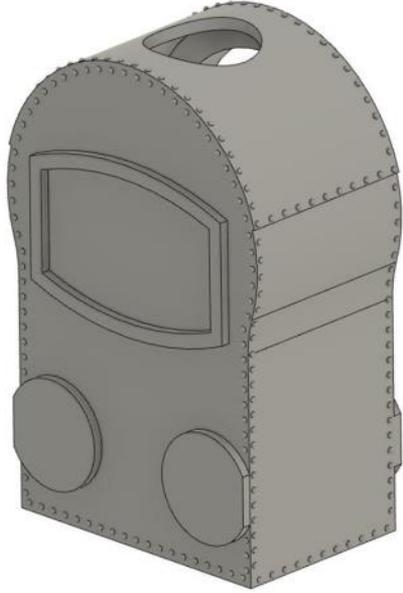
And that's the pair done. Wheelsets next



# Russ

During lockdown, amongst other modelling, I've been teaching myself Fusion 360 CAD software so that I can 3D-print the 7mm scale Bury 4-wheeled locos for my Berkhamstead 1840s project. The body consists of separate prints for the smokebox, chimney, boiler barrel, and firebox, plus other small parts. The images show most of these, plus an earlier version of them all trial-fitted together. Still quite a few nuts, bolts and other bits to add, but pleased with the results so far. Now to get on and actually print them! The first chassis, for a 2-2-0 is almost complete, but the body will also fit an 0-4-0 Goods version with some slight mods, so will be attempting a 3D-printed chassis for the latter, and the tender's body and chassis also lend themselves to 3D-printing.



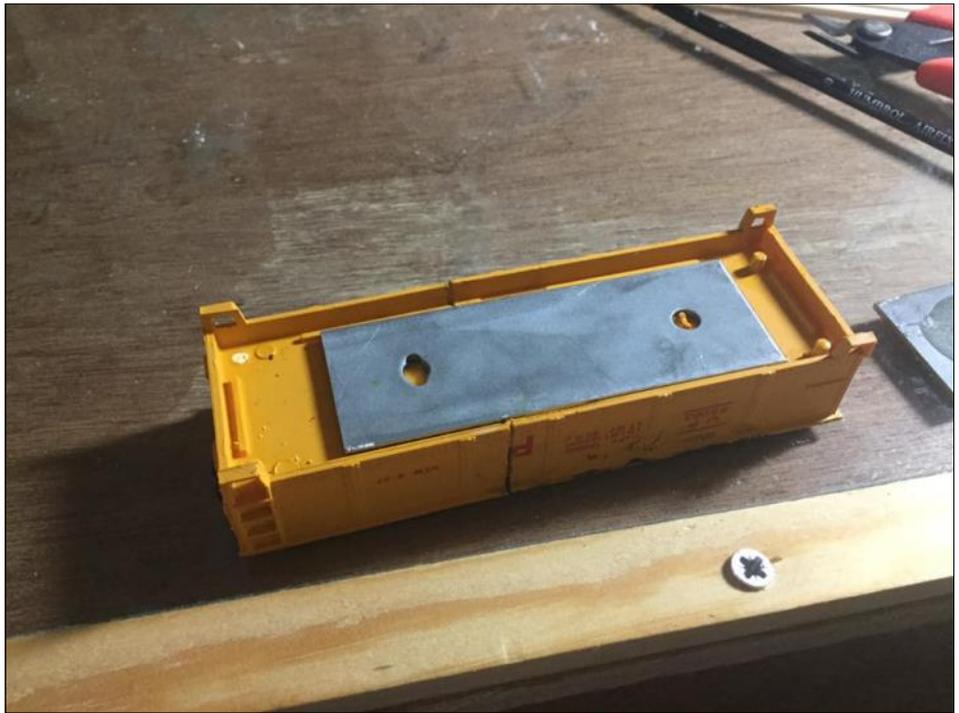


## Ted

The Western Pacific (owners of the P&NE RR) had a contract to shift steel to Pittsburg (Ca) across the Sacramento Northern railroad. This traffic went through Marysville which is a major depot on the P&NE RR. The original gondolas used were 40 and 50 feet long and could only carry two coils of the steel leaving most of the car empty. The WP the purchased 100 specially short Gondolas that were 30 feet long and could carry 70 tons load. They were the only railroad to have these cars and so they are a signature model for the WP. As far as i know there has never been a model produced of these cars so a kitbash was called for.

The photos show a 40ft Bachmann gondola reduced to its components, then shortened, and re assembled, the ribs sanded off and then replaced using 10thou plastic strip with 20 thou square rod as well to get the distinctive 8 panels with the outer ones longer. I then painted and placed the decals. Final weathering, Matt varnish and a load to go.







## **Articles for Publication in Footplate**

Articles can be on any subject including, model reviews or construction, places you have visited, your own layout etc. and should be sent at least 1 month before publication dates, i.e. beginning of March, June, September and December for publication in April, July, October and January. Plain text, no formatting, photos as high a resolution as possible.

# From the Internet

Snow Plow With Steam! - Dampfschneeschleuder am Berninapass

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=786&v=vheLaXu8rFw&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=786&v=vheLaXu8rFw&feature=emb_logo)

The Troubled Tale of the Blue Pullman

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VfhuCcy04ak>

Master performance, SBB, Switzeland

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zYq-OiK4s60>

RED DEVIL - Restoration - Final Steam Test and Transfer

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3\\_vDBjhOfUw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3_vDBjhOfUw)

A Set Of Standards! 75029, 75069, 76017, 76069, 76084

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U5WIMJY2NG0>

Big Toys

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nTpR5EqW9iw>

Die legendäre Baureihe 01, von der Ursprungslok bis zum kräftigen Dreizylinder

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LzhjgVDWe1U>

# Club Diary

## 2020

All events are subject to the Government lifting movement restrictions.

July	3	Club reopens, maybe, who knows!
	3	Trustees Meeting
	4	Beaconsfield Exhibition, waiting for confirmation but probably cancelled.
	12	CMRA Interactive Modellers Workshop, <b>Cancelled</b>
	17	Test Track
August	21	Test Track
	22-23	Warner's Exhibitions, Alexandra Palace, Alexandra Palace Way, London N22 7AY
September	4	Trustees Meeting
	18	Test Track
	19	European Railways Association, The Venue - Edgbaston, 100 Icknield Port Road, Birmingham B16 0AA
	26	Tring & District MRC, The Cottesloe School, Church Street, Wing, Leighton Buzzard LU7 0NY
October	16	Talk by Geoff Plumb
	23	Test Track
November	6	Trustees Meeting
	7	High Wycombe & District MRS Exhibition, <b>Cancelled</b>
	20	Test Track
	28-29	Warley National Model Railway Exhibition
December	5-6	The National Festival of Railway Modelling, East of England Showground, Peterborough, PE2 6XE
	11	<b>Club Christmas Dinner</b> at The Peacock in Henton
	18	Test Track