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Melton Model Railway Club Inc. Newsletter

Vale: Craig Kirkman

Sadly, we have recently learned that the Melton Model Railway Club's Founding President, Craig Kirkman, has recently passed away. Craig was the driving force behind starting the Melton Model Railway Club back in early 2008.

Craig will be remembered for his contribution getting the MMRC started and our thoughts are with his family at this very difficult time.

Upcoming MMRC Meet Dates:

Tuesday, 15th Nov, 2011 – *Joint Free-mo AU meet*

Saturday, 19th Nov, 2011 – *Joint Free-mo AU meet*

Tuesday, 22nd Nov, 2011 – *Joint Free-mo AU meet*

Saturday, 26th Nov, 2011

Tuesday, 29th Nov, 2011

Saturday, 3rd December, 2011

Tuesday, 6th December, 2011 at 7:15pm - GENERAL MEETING



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• New MMRC Forum

The MMRC has new forums online for discussions on all things MMRC. You'll need to register to use the forums, head over to:

www.meltonmrc.org.au/forum

• MMRC Layout News:

The club's layout "The Yard" was recently dusted off and setup again after a very long absence in storage. Issues with broken trackwork, points not working and minor issues were sorted out over the past few meets and we're back up and running on the modular layout again! Thanks to those involved in fixing up the layout!

N Scale:

There's been a huge amount of works completed by the N Scale "Way and Works Branch" recently! An entire loop around the club's permanent layout around the room has been completed and several light engine movements were observed during Tuesday night's running/build night. Plenty more to do on the N Scale layout so head down and if you'd like, lend a hand.

HO Scale:

More bedding in and testing is constantly being undertaken on the HO Scale layout at the MMRC. Some parts are beginning to be scenicked with the south-west corner almost complete. More wiring, cabs and throttles have been installed.

• Free-mo AU joint meetings

The MMRC played host to a very successful joint Free-mo AU/MMRC meeting on Saturday, Oct 29th, 2011. This was also the first ever Free-mo AU running meeting held! There was plenty of running, lots of discussion on the standards, the MMRC layout,

Thanks to everyone who was able to attend on the day, your help is appreciated!

Also a big thank you to both Cr Turner and Cr Borg from the Shire of Melton for visiting the clubrooms on the day to see all the action and see the club's progress.

• Exhibition updates

The Free-mo AU group will be attending the Kyneton 2012 exhibition with several Free-mo AU modules for display.

The Construction Teams on the MMRC permanent layout have been switching their focus to the scenery elements of the MMRC Permanent Layout recently with fantastic results.

There's been advances with track work for the N Scale tracks proceeding along well, also.

Members of the MMRC also attended the Braybrook Model Railway Show helping out at the show including helping behind the Free-Mo AU stand over both days of the exhibition.

Thanks to those who were able to help out on either or both days and also a big thank you to the Sunshine MRC for the space at the show.

Photos of the day can be found here:

www.wolfpacfotos.com

• More Free-mo AU news

All through November we will be having several interested parties visiting the MMRC Clubrooms to find out more about Free-mo Australia. The visiting group is hoping to get their own Free-mo AU spec modules up and running and would like to see what Free-mo AU is all about, the standards and how the club has implemented it. We look forward to more joint Free-mo AU/MMRC meets in the near future!

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Above: A small group photo of some of the attendees on the Free-mo AU day – 29-10-11



Above: Several wagons await their next duty on Owen's Free-mo AU modules



Above: D3 639 and V/Locity set 41 wait at Melton Station during the recent school holidays



Above: A small section of the previously completed scenery work on the MMRC layout – 2-8-2011

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D3 658 at Ardeer

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MMRC Meet times:

Tuesday night – 7:00PM - 9:00PM

Saturday – 1:00PM - 4:00PM

Clubroom Location:

James Cook Drive, West Melton
West Melton Tennis Club Pavilion
(Look for the Milk Bar next door)

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