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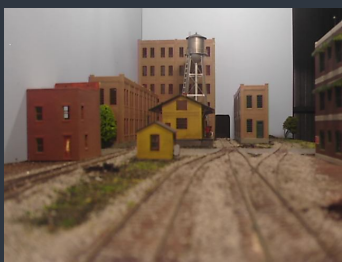
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## Melton Model Railway Club's Second Newsletter!

### Picture Gallery:



MMRC's new layout –  
Frisco Union Belt Lines!



Looking towards the  
fiddle yard exit

Welcome to the Melton Model Railway Club Inc's third edition of the MMRC Times.

The MMRC Inc is very happy to announce right off the bat that the club is now the proud owners of the shunting layout called "Frisco Union Belt Lines".

The layout was purchased on Saturday, 12-July-2008 and transported back to the MMRC President's shed for storage.

The MMRC members will now be able to run trains on the layout and continue working on the layout, finishing off the scenery and buildings already on the layout, adding and expanding the modules and trackwork.

The layout currently features two modules and incorporates a rotating, dual track fiddle yard.

The layout also features wire in tube switches, and an extensive track layout. The MMRC also has a "blank" module that will eventually be incorporated along side the two existing modules, expanding the layout and adding flexibility, allowing a "short" 2 module config, or a longer 3 module config with (eventually!) plenty more siding space and operational flexibility.

We thank the previous owner and builder of the "Frisco Union Belt Lines" for the opportunity to purchase the layout!

We look forward to many years of running trains on the layout!

Adam Weise,

Secretary/Newsletter Editor,  
MMRC



## Layout Discussions & Sunshine MRC Show

Discussions regarding layouts, layout news and events.

A number of MMRC members attended the Sunshine MRC's annual Model Railway Show, held on 9-10 August 2008.

Tony Kelly's Red River Layout was present, as was Trevor Gibbs' Newry layout. MMRC members had been invited to operate either Tony or Trevor's layouts during the course of the Show.

A great day out with plenty of MMRC members coming along to support the show, help out on Tony and Trevor's layouts, take plenty of photos, and help out where possible. Plenty of excellent layouts were on display, including the two previously mentioned; there was a very wide variety of layouts, from LGB scale, right down to N scale, and everything in between! Thanks to the Sunshine MRC for the invite to attend. We now look forward to the Caulfield Show, 23-24 August!



The MMRC, with its recent acquisition, will now look at adding the finishing touches to the Frisco Union Belt Lines layout, finishing off the ballasting, finishing off the grass and turf, adding in the third "extension" module by laying new flexi-track, the spare points and crossing, which will enable more operational capacity and allow longer trains. We hope to have the layout ready to go for this year's Djerriwarrh Festival (Nov 6-9, 08). (Link: <http://tinyurl.com/565k7r> ). More information will be available at a later date, after discussions with the Shire of Melton about this possibility.

The MMRC is also proud to announce that **Andrew's Hobbies** has become the club's first official Sponsor, after generously donating a Bachmann DCC controller to the club! A huge thanks to Andrew and Sue of Andrew's Hobbies! The controller will be put to good use on the club's Frisco Union Belt Lines layout very soon.



### Web Links:

#### MMRC Website:

Meltonmrc.org.au

#### Adam "Wolfpac's Fotopic" Gallery:

Wolfpac.fotopic.net

#### "Wolfpac's YouTube" site:

Youtube.com/wolfpacw

#### Peter's Fotopic Site:

trolleybusracer.fotopic.net

#### Eugene's "Visitors to the Marsh":

visitorstothemarsh.fotopic.net



**Above:** Essendon MRC layout's Yard

**Above:** R707 steam loco between Albion and Sunshine stations

## MMRC Discussions, News and Updates

The MMRC has now taken delivery of our fundraising chocolates, ready for selling. Thanks to Brian for taking initial delivery of the chocolates and sorting them out! Thanks also to the members for taking the chocolates to sell.

A number of MMRC's members attended the Sunshine MRC show this past Sat/Sun.

- **Andrew's Hobbies** has become the MMRC's first official Sponsor! (See Page 4 for opening times!)
- **August 23-24: Caulfield Model Railway Show**  
Melbourne Functions Caulfield Racecourse, Station Street, Caulfield  
Open: 9am-6pm (Sat) & 9am-5pm (Sun)  
Admission: \$10/\$8/\$5/\$25
- Shire of Melton's **Djerriwarrah Festival** (Nov 6-9, 08).  
(Link: <http://tinyurl.com/565k7r> )

The MMRC's website is constantly evolving at [www.meltonmrc.org.au](http://www.meltonmrc.org.au) , if you would like to include any new content, please see Adam.

Also, if you would like to include any agenda items for Meeting #11, please email Adam, or call, **by** Wednesday prior to the Saturday meeting.

**For Sale:** 1x Computer Desk, \$30. Please see [John](#).

**Below Left:** Tony's Red River RR layout – as show at Sunshine MRC Show  
**Below Right:** Locomotive lineup on the Red River RR



## Events Calendar

**August 16:**  
MMRC Meeting 12  
President's Home  
12 Noon

**August 23-24:**  
Caulfield Model  
Railway Show  
Melbourne Functions  
Caulfield Racecourse,  
Station Street, Caulfield  
Open: 9am-6pm (Sat) &  
9am-5pm (Sun)  
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\$10/\$8/\$5/\$25

**Aug 30:**  
MMRC Meeting 13  
12 Noon



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## Upcoming Events:

- **Melton Model Railway Club Meeting #12:**

The next MMRC meeting will be held on **16 August 2008, 12 Noon** at Craig's place. [www.meltonmrc.org.au](http://www.meltonmrc.org.au)

- **Melton Model Railway Club Meeting #13:**

The next MMRC meeting will be held on **30 August 2008, 12 Noon** at Craig's place. [www.meltonmrc.org.au](http://www.meltonmrc.org.au)

- **CAULFIELD – VIC.** August 23-24, 2008 at Melbourne Functions Caulfield Racecourse, Station Street, Caulfield. Open: 9am-6pm (Sat) & 9am-5pm (Sun). Admission: \$10/\$8/\$5/\$25. Enquiries: Richard Searles, Exhibition Manager - AMRA Victorian Branch, Ph: 0418 366 089, email: [amravic.exhibition@amra-vic.org.au](mailto:amravic.exhibition@amra-vic.org.au)

(Thanks to AMRM for this information, [www.australianmodelrailways.com/amdiary.htm](http://www.australianmodelrailways.com/amdiary.htm) )

## Friends of MMRC & Web links:



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Thursday 5pm to 9pm  
Friday 5pm to 9pm  
Saturday 9am to 2pm



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