

# **The Western Australian Branch of the Australian Model Railway Association**

## **Activities Programme**

### **Where we meet and when**

All meetings are held in the Branch's Clubrooms at 24 Moojebing Street, BAYSWATER [opposite Paddington Street]. The Clubrooms are open as follows for programmed meetings:-

- Evening meetings – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 2000 to 2230
- Daytime meetings – Tuesday from 1000 to 1500
- Saturday from 1330 to 1730

Members pay a small fee at each meeting to cover some of the general operating expenses of the Clubrooms and this entitles members to free hot drinks and a biscuit or two. Cool drinks are available at a modest price.

Members and occasional visitors are welcome at all Branch meetings, except for any meeting specifically excluded in the programme published on the centre pages of this issue. Any such meeting will carry the note "Private meeting, no visitors".

More detailed information on the major programme items and the contact person for the Special Interest Groups is at the end of the programme calendar section below.

Need more information? Please phone 9377 3456

## **Programme**

### **July**

Friday	1	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting
Saturday	2	<b>General Activities</b>
Monday	4	<b>Airbrushing</b> with Andrew Morling
Tuesday	5	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting
Wednesday	6	<b>LMS Modellers Special Interest Group</b> meeting – LMS Diesel Shunters
Friday	8	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting
Saturday	9	<b>Special Work Afternoon</b> followed by <b>General Activities</b>
Monday	11	<b>S Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting – Exhibition de-brief and train running on <i>Swan View</i>
Tuesday	12	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting <b>North American Railroads Special Interest Group</b> – evening meeting – layout construction

Wednesday	13	<b>Basic Carpentry for Layouts</b>
Friday	15	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting
Saturday	16	<b>General Activities</b>
Tuesday	19	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting
Wednesday	20	<b>Great Western Railway Modellers Special Interest Group</b> meeting – King Class locomotives
Friday	22	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting
Saturday	23	<b>General Activities</b> <b>European Railways Special Interest Group</b> meeting [from 1400] – Topic Meeting
Tuesday	26	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting <b>Garden Railway Special Interest Group</b> – evening meeting <b>North American Railroads Special Interest Group</b> meeting – layout construction
Wednesday	27	<b>British Railways Special Interest Group</b> meeting – Signal Boxes built by BR
Friday	29	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting
Saturday	30	<b>General Activities</b>

## August

Monday	1	<b>Train Driving on British Railways</b> – by Keith Featherstone
Tuesday	2	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting
Wednesday	3	<b>LMS Modellers Special Interest Group</b> meeting – 3 and 5 plank general merchandise open wagons
Friday	5	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting
Saturday	6	<b>General Activities</b>
Monday	8	<b>S Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting – Line-side structures or buildings in S scale
Tuesday	9	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting <b>North American Railroads Special Interest Group</b> meeting at Clubrooms – Making Decals
Friday	12	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting
Saturday	13	<b>General Activities</b>
Monday	15	<b>Annual General Meeting</b>

Tuesday	16	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting
Wednesday	17	<b>Great Western Railway Modellers Special Interest Group</b> meeting – Permanent Way Vehicles
Friday	19	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting
Saturday	20	<b>The Branchline assembly</b> followed by <b>General Activities</b> <b>European Railways Special Interest Group</b> meeting [from 1400] – Topic Meeting
Tuesday	23	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting <b>Garden Railway Special Interest Group</b> – evening meeting <b>North American Railroads Special Interest Group</b> meeting – layout construction
Wednesday	24	<b>British Railways Special Interest Group</b> meeting – Ferry Wagons
Friday	26	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting
Saturday	27	<b>General Activities</b>
Tuesday	30	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting
<b>September</b>		
Friday	2	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting
Saturday	3	<b>General Activities</b> <b>Visit to Bennett Brook Railway</b> courtesy of Simon Mead
Monday	5	<b>The Kalgoorlie Railway</b> - Geoff Higham
Tuesday	6	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting
Wednesday	7	<b>LMS Modellers Special Interest Group</b> – running night
Friday	9	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting <b>North American Railroads Special Interest Group</b> – Visit European Modellers, Myaree. Phone P Scarfe on 9359 2281 for details
Saturday	10	<b>Special Work Afternoon</b> followed by <b>General Activities</b>
Monday	12	<b>S Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting – General activities and train running on <i>Swan View</i>
Tuesday	13	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting
Wednesday	14	<b>Making Decals</b> with John Maker
Friday	16	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting

Saturday	17	<b>General Activities</b>
Tuesday	20	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting
Wednesday	21	<b>Great Western Railway Modellers Special Interest Group</b> meeting – GWR Telegraphic Codes
Friday	23	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting
Saturday	24	<b>General Activities</b> <b>European Railways Special Interest Group</b> – 1400 Topic Meeting
Monday	26	<b>No meeting</b> – Queen's Birthday Holiday
Tuesday	27	<b>Daylighters Group</b> – daytime meeting <b>Garden Railway Special Interest Group</b> – evening meeting <b>North American Railroads Special Interest Group</b> – layout construction
Wednesday	28	<b>British Railways Special Interest Group</b> meeting – Bring Run and Tell Running Night
Friday	30	<b>General Activities</b> and <b>N Scale Special Interest Group</b> meeting

## What's On?

### Major Programme items

**Monday 4 July – An Introduction to the Air Brush.** Andrew Morling will talk about how he [beautifully] paints model locos with an air brush.

This is for anyone wanting to make a start with an airbrush and will be of interest to those who don't but would just like to see how these clever people do it.

Andrew will deal with such questions as –

- Is it worth getting one?
- What can it do?
- How do I set it up?
- Will I be able to master it?

**Wednesday 13 July – Model Railroad Baseboard Work.** Jim Kelly from the North American Special Interest Group will be holding a clinic on Model Railroad Baseboard Work. This will be an open discussion, using the North American Special Interest Group's new layout as a focal point.

Included in the discussion will be –

- Planning track for the baseboard or the baseboard for track work.
- Hand tools and their correct use.
- The different types of Model Railroad Baseboard.
- Ideas on how to support Model Railroad Baseboards.
- Getting it square.
- Different materials.

Available to all those who attend on the night will be a handout outlining minimum timber sizes for the common sizes for Model Railroads. eg 2400 x 1200 [8' x 4'] 1800 x 900 [6' x 3'] etc.

All are welcome so come along and bring your ideas with you.

### **Monday 1 August – Train Driving on British Railways – Keith Featherstone.**

Keith spent many years driving trains on British Railways Southern Region and in East Africa and was at the top of his field. He is also an accomplished raconteur and has many stories to tell of his experiences – some technical, some serious, some hilarious, some down-right dangerous. An evening not to be missed.

**Monday 15 August – Annual General Meeting.** This is a very important date on the Branch calendar. Members again have the right and responsibility to elect the Management Committee for the year 2005–6 and to receive the major reports for the past year. Please come along and hear what your Committee has done and how your Branch is progressing. An AGM Supplement is included with this issue of *The Branchline*, please bring it with you to the AGM.

**Saturday 3 September – Visit to Bennett Brook Railway** courtesy of Simon Mead

**Monday 5 September – The Kalgoorlie Railway** with Geoff Higham

**Wednesday 14 September – Making Decals** with John Maker

[Details of these three meetings will be available later]

## **Other Programme Events**

**Saturday 20 August – Special Project Afternoon** is for the stapling, folding, enveloping, etc. of the next issue of *The Branchline*. The Branch facilities will be available for General Activities following the completion of *The Branchline* task. There is the added benefit of getting your personal copy on the day of publication.

**Saturday 10 September – Special Work Day. Special Work Day.** There are always plenty of jobs needing to be done around the Clubrooms to keep them 'ship-shape' and to ensure we provide a safe workplace. A 'task list' will be displayed on the blackboard from 3 September. Bring your tools and safety equipment and your working togs. It is intended that work will cease before 1600 and from then on, members may use the Clubroom facilities in the same manner as on a General Activities day. **While the work is in hand, the Library and the Layout Rooms will be closed and 'off limits'.** The 'outdoor' tasks may be delayed to a later date if the weather intervenes – details will be posted on the Clubrooms blackboard.

## **Special Interest Group Contacts -**

<b>British Railways</b>	Gordon Bramwell	9309 4849
<b>European Railways</b>	Keith Featherstone	9401 1438
<b>Garden Railway</b>	Chris Rowles	9299 6484
<b>Great Western Railway Modellers</b>	Roger Solly	9444 7812
<b>LMS Modellers</b>	Alan Porter	9330 1848
<b>N Scale</b>	Ian Wood	9459 4116
<b>North American Railroads</b>	Peter Scarfe	9359 2281
<b>S Scale</b>	Stuart Mackay	9310 3858
<b>Southern Railway Modellers Group</b>	Terry Hammond	9458 9768
<b>Standard and Broad Gauge Railways of Australia</b>	Morris Cooper	9497 2324