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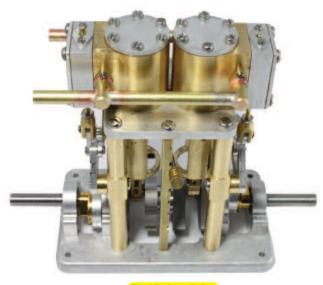


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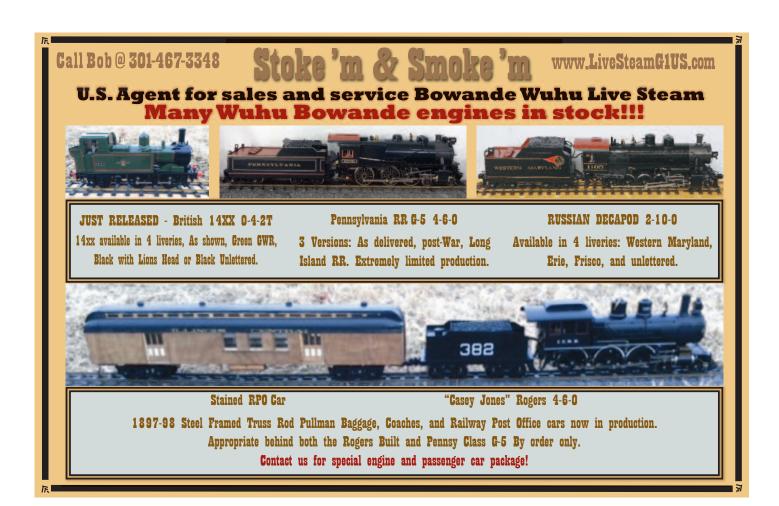






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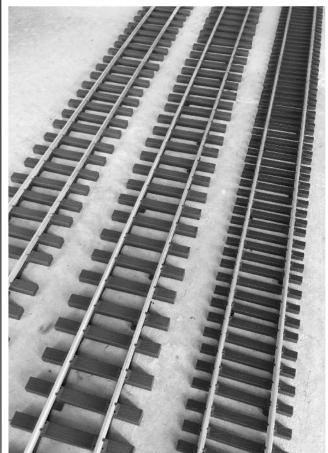


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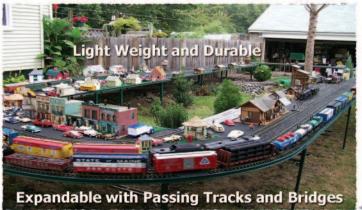


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Accucraft Announces Headquarters Move - Received from Accucraft: "Accucraft's Union City headquarters has officially moved, but not too far away! We're just next door to our old location. Our entire warehouse is now open to the public Mondays – Friday 8am-5pm.

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Roundhouse Engineering, Doncaster, England

has already announced their latest development project for 2019 — A Double Fairlie. Having been in secret development since early 2017, the Double Fairlie will represent another leap in the high quality model engineering from Roundhouse Engineering.

The Double Fairlie will be based on the David Lloyd George currently in use on the Ffestiniog Railway in Wales. DLG was built by the Boston Lodge Works in 1992 and was initially designed to be oil fired before being converted to coal firing around 2014.

Release is planned for 2019. Orders will be taken from January 2019 and a full technical specification shall be made available closer to the release date.



Roundhouse Photo

Staver Locomotive announced they are putting in new updates to their track layout. The railroad as of early December 2017 had about 700 feet running length indoors, and a couple hundred feet outdoors. They have completely torn out about 350

feet of the mainline track, and associated yards, bridges, and sidings for re-work. Also, a significant amount of work is being done on the outdoor infrastructure in preparation for doubling the size of the railroad over the next year. A custom diamond crossover before the entrance to the narrow gauge yards has been fabricated along with double tracking a previously single track section of mainline.





Above Top: New custom diamond crossover in place place on the Staver layout. Bottom: Second mainline going in to ease traffic of the railway. All of the track is handlaid.

Staver Photos

Steam in the Garden announces the addition of a new Team Member. Brittany Grimm of Garnet Valley, Pennsylvania joins Steam in the Garden as Assistant Webmaster.

Brittany has been a live steamer for thirteen years. Her passion for small scale live steam was fueled by the real thing at the age of ten.

She's a member of the Pennsylvania Live Steam-



Brittany Grimm readies an ASTER Climax for steaming at the East Coast Large Scale Train Show.

ers, and frequents many events where the Aikenback Live Steamers are in attendance.

Brittany claims to be fortunate enough to attend the International Small Scale Steamup in Diamondhead, Mississippi, and the National Summer Steamup in Sacramento, California where in 2012 she was the recipient of the Ron Brown Memorial Steamup Enthusiasm Award. Brittany has also attended the Larry Staver Steamups in Portland, Oregon, and says she looks forward to attending more steamups there.

Her other interests include working on computers in most aspects, from building to programming, and she is also an avid car enthusiast. The results of her computer skills can be seen online at the International Small Scale Steamup where she recently completely revamped the entire website.

Brittany's first task will be to get the remainder of SitG back issues scanned and formatted into the site's Flipping-Book presentation format. This is no small feat as ninety-four issues currently need scanning and cataloging into the website. Once this task is completed, the entire catalog of SitG magazines will be available to digital subscribers.

Brittany will also be updating the website with web-only articles available to the general public and digital subscribers.

Brittany's technical background, garnered through her education as well as her web experience in updating the International Small Scale Steamup's web-presence, will be an added bonus to the magazines continued success.

From all of the staff at SitG, Welcome Aboard!



Text and Photos by Harlan Chinn

Northwest, especially at Christmas, where the last time this region enjoyed a White Christmas was in 2008. The annual Puget Sound Garden Railway Society Boxing Day Steam Up is a time where club members in the live steam faction gather to share holiday cheer, steam our trains and to set the steamup event/host calendar for the coming year's events.

This special morning began with blue skies and 34 degrees, with the sun shining from a very low southern angle, as the winter solstice was only five days before. Our host Pete Comley had already gone around earlier and neatly plowed the snow from the mainline and dual gauge loop, some 705 feet of mainline track.

One of our newer members, Tony Woore was already out on the layout with his Mogul locomotive and passenger cars when I arrived. He had difficulty negotiating some of the icy sections of the mainline which were covered in shade, and eventually pulled off onto the smaller dual-gauge loop section.

Paul Hagglund, Bob Gladney, Tony and I were the first of the "diehards" out running our trains during the late morning period. Paul and Bob were Above: Paul Hagglund fires up in a rare snow day steamup.

at the dual-gauge track loop, where Paul was firing up his converted Mamod locomotive with his Talyllyn Railway passenger carriages. Bob had his chain-driven Vincent locomotive creating nice plumes steaming around as well. Both Paul and Bob were enjoying the quiet solitude of running their trains on the layout in the glow and warmth of the winter sun. Nathan Smith arrived soon after with his little Cricket locomotive that he received for Christmas, and he was getting it ready to run.

In preparation for my run, I trudged over the snow-covered pathways around the mainline, and saw that there was a lot of ice on tracks, especially over the steel bridges. I remembered that de-icer fluids are comprised mostly of alcohol, so I got out my methyl alcohol fuel bottles and began to spray the track areas, particularly those in the shade, to aggressively de-ice the rails.

Having seen that Tony had difficulties with several derailments earlier at various locations on the mainline, I was determined to get a nice clean run in before I had to leave early for an appointment in Seattle. I set up the Great Northern S2 onto the steam up siding and proceeded to fuel and water it. With the wicks lit, it must have taken close to 15 minutes for the needle of the steam gauge to move

off the peg! Once there was enough pressure to open the blower the locomotive quickly came up to full pressure, I carefully topped off the fuel tank for the morning's run. I had brought along thirty box cars, but I decided to play it safe by running only five of them and the caboose just in case there were huge derailment issues with the track.

With the switches thrown to enter onto the mainline, the throttle was cracked open slightly and off we went, gingerly, as this train would be the first to completely circumnavigate the mainline. There were small sections of track which were still icy, and I could see and feel the lead truck of the locomotive bobble and bounce. Slow into the first curve and onto the smaller of the steel bridges where much of the de-icing alcohol had been sprayed; it cleared with a little wheel bobble and onto a section in the shade next to the staging yard, where there was something derailing my strand of freight cars. Got the derailed box cars back on the rails and it was off to the next set of two longer spanned steel bridges. I cracked open the cylinder draincocks, that always seem to leak anyways, to aid in melting any other icy spots as the locomotive slowly passed over these areas.

Having now cleared the bridges, it was off to the

large loop, then under the first of two pedestrian overpasses, down around the loop and under the second overpass. Successfully cleared that section, and now up a slight grade through Overland Gap with tall cedars, up next to the house across, over the concrete viaduct and back to the steamup shel-

"I cracked open the cylinder draincocks, that always seem to leak anyways, to aid in melting any other icy spots..."

ter. As the train headed toward the problematic section by the yard for the second time, I was able to run my hand over the rails prior to the arrival of the train over this section, and found a frozen mass of moss with a small twig that proved to be just enough to cause the boxcar trucks to wobble and



From L-R; Lisa and Chris Smith, Paul Hagglund and Nathan Smith with his Cricket locomotive



Bob Gladney and his Vincent locomotive.

derail. Once this remaining ice obstacle was chiseled away and cleared, I felt comfortable in opening the throttle and letting the train run around unassisted, only having to add water to the tender on the fly every couple of laps. I was pleased with the run of about thirty-five minutes, considering the number of stops to get re-railed and clear ice from the rails.

The cold weather conditions were just perfect, as the train with billowing steam plume crossed over the large steel bridge, where Mount Ranier stood proud in the background. Much of the garden and yard was covered in a blanket of snow. Dotting the infield were tracks not of the rail type, but from what I thought to be a dog. Pete informed us that these were coyote tracks. Then in the neighbor's field next door, seemingly on cue, appeared this gray coyote! It looked around at us briefly and quickly dashed off.

An announcement was made that lunch was being served inside, so at the next opportunity I backed the train into the steamup siding, shut down the now fully heated locomotive, and joined everyone inside. I immediately grabbed a cup of



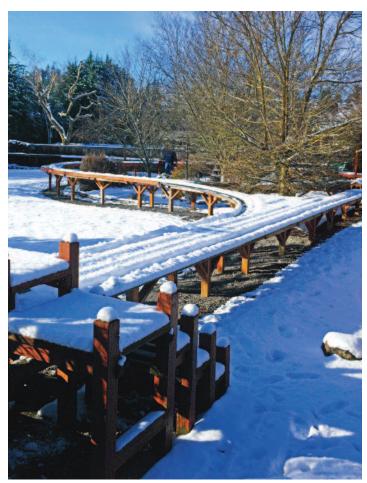
Brilliant steam plume from Tony Woore's passenger train.

fresh hot coffee that instantly warmed the hands and the soul! There's always a delicious spread of main dishes and desserts, brought in or made by club members, set around Pete's kitchen. It was so nice to see fellow club members and their spouses who braved the not-so-bad road conditions to be here in attendance.

It was especially nice to catch up with fellow members Bob Gladney and Nick and Emi Fisher, to name a few, who were missed as they were traveling during this time of year, or had missed this region's major live steam events, such as at Staver Locomotive in Portland, Oregon and the National Summer Steam Up further south in Sacramento.

After a nice lunch and visit, Jim Overland and Eric Bowles came out from the warmth of the house to fire up their respective trains. Jim ran his Great Northern S2 in a Fast Mail configuration with a strand of heavyweight baggage and Pullman passenger cars, while Eric ran his British 5MT locomotive and passenger car train.

While these guys were enjoying their runs around the layout, I had to pack my things up and make my way home. All the while I was thinking; it's days and moments like this when you realize how fortunate we are to be able to partake in this hobby, especially under these beautiful weather conditions. As the last container of box cars was loaded in the car, I bid everyone a Happy New Year and went on my way home, elated with the day's train run and being able to capture these moments with my cameras to share with you here.



Above: Snow covered Sunset Valley Railway.

Below: An ASTER Great Northern crosses the Great Viaduct steel bridge as sunset signals the end of the steamup at the Sunset Valley Railroad.



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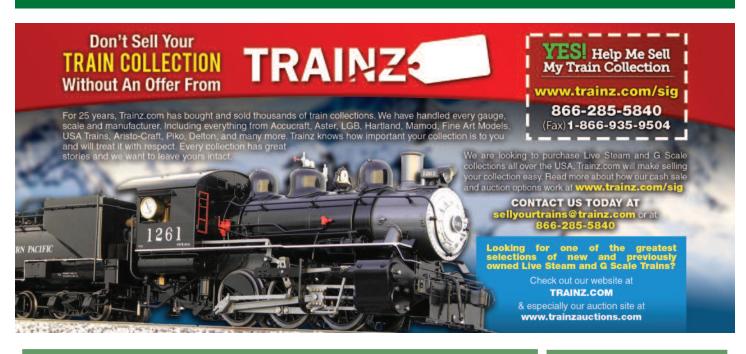
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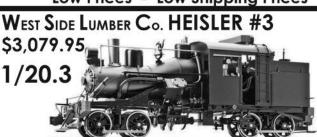
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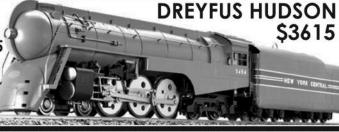
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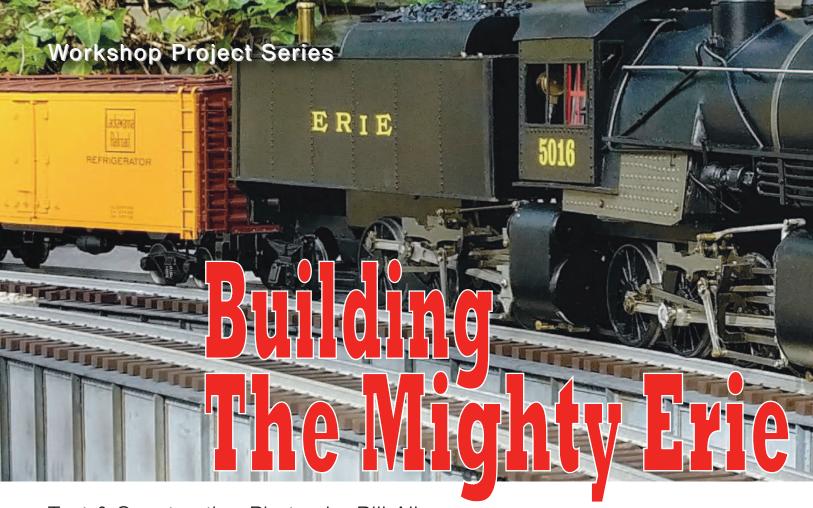


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FRONT DECK, PILOT, AND TRUCKS

The front deck is pretty simple with a pilot, steps, platform, and railing.

I start with the platform and on the bottom, I silver solder a registration piece (Photo 2-1). I then solder the step stringers on (Photo 2-2) and then the stairs (Photo 2-3). All of this being done with the unit upside-down

The pilot truck is also simple in design. A strap of brass is drilled out at the pivot point and a pin is clamped in the mill vice to cut the curved slot. The strap is left long and the end is used as a handle to rotate the strap around the curve. It is then cut to length and the axle bearing is soldered on. Two pieces of brass tubing are used as spacers to keep the wheels centered. Shoulder bolts are turned on the lathe, and a spring and washer are added as illus-

trated in Photo 2-4.

Although I made my own drawing with my designs that varied from the original Baldwin drawing, I still used the Baldwin drawing for things like the deck. **Photo 2-5** shows the front chassis with the drawing in the background.

To match the prototype, I made the pilot beam in three pieces. The bottom two are quarter-inch

square tube and the top piece is quarter-inch square bar. A piece of 0.050 inch thick brass sheet was formed on the band saw for the top plate and the four curved supports underneath it were cut from the same pattern. The coupler pin and flag poles are turned from 303 Stainless steel (Photo 2-6). The steps are also formed on the band saw. The hand rails are 3/32-inch brass rod, silver soldered with turned brass feet (Photo 2-7).

Erie Triplex Series

Having built a compound Heisler, Bill Allen decided to undertake the multi-compound cylinder, triple-framed Erie Triplex, hoping to achieve better results than the prototype! This six-part series includes:

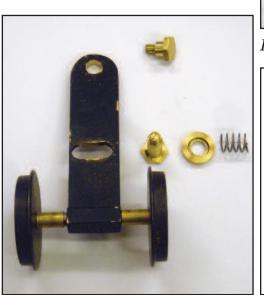
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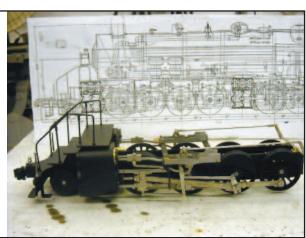
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Photo 2-2



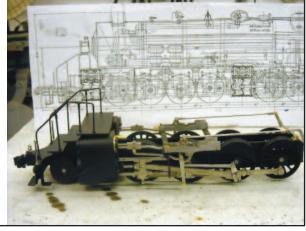


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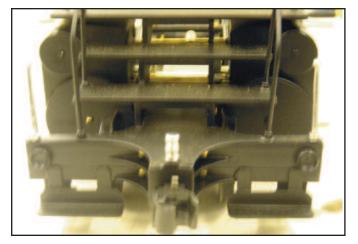


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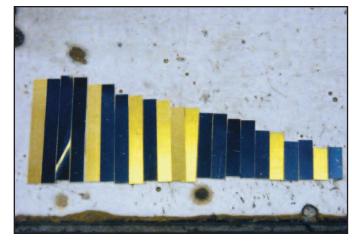


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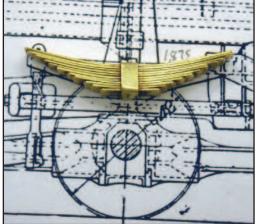






Photo 2-9 Photo 2-10 Photo 2-11

REAR PONY TRUCK

The rear pony was actually more difficult than it looks. The prototype had leaf springs mounted on the frame with the truck sliding beneath them. I could have duplicated this but it would only work on a track with somewhere around a 25-foot radius. So I decided to go with a more standard G scale truck with a faux leaf spring attached to the truck.

I start with the leaf spring. I cut 0.020-inch x 0.250-inch strips to length, with each set being one-eighth-inch shorter than the other. See **Photo 2-8**.

The strips are then bent to the proper arc and put together, clamped with a strap and soldered at the center. It is then checked for size and arc with the drawing. See **Photo 2-9**

A piece of card stock is cut to check for clearance and then is used to cut a brass piece on the band saw (**Photos 2-10** & **2-11**).

Side rails have a fluting milled in (which is shown in a later photo) and they are silver soldered on as in Photo 2-12.

Now a horse-shoe shaped bar is bent and soldered on to the assembly. The two blocks on the side that the axle goes through are bolted on for wheel removal (**Photo 2-13**).

A front shackle is added to the spring and they are soldered to the truck (**Photo 2-14**).

In **Photos 2-15** & **2-16**, you can see the wheels in place and the rear spring hanger soldered on

A bearing cap I had left over from a prior project was placed on top of a couple of spacers to match the original, and the assembly was painted and installed. In **Photo 2-17**, you can see the coil spring that actually does all of the work but will not be visible in action. You can also see how the main frame was built up in order to make the cutout for the large pony wheels.

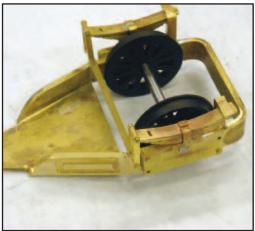
If you are wondering how I knew what the clearance had to be, I would take the chassis out to the track between each operation, and if it was too tight, I would make the necessary adjustments. I





Photo 2-12 Photo 2-13





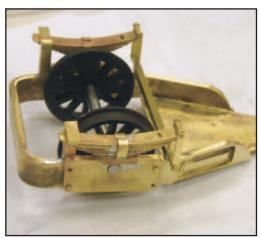


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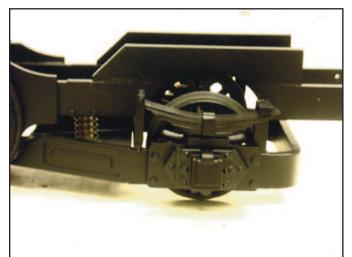


Photo 2-17

made the engine so it works on my seven-foot radius track.

And finally the three chassis were hooked up and readied for the test track. See **Photos 2-18** & **2-19**.

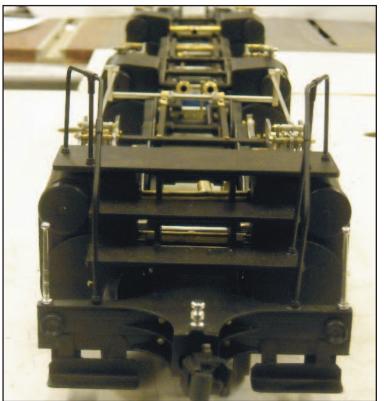


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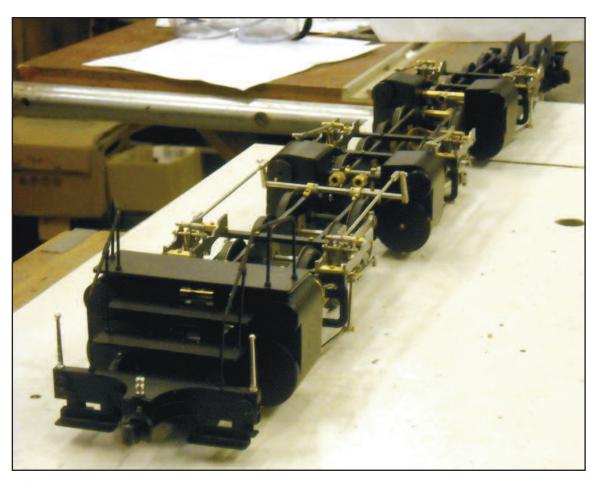


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he engine arrived well packed, in a three-layer corrugated cardboard box, an inch of foam padding, and an inner shell of one-eighth-inch millboard with foam-padded blocks to hold the engine. The inner shell could be used as a carrying cradle, though the hinges will need strengthening.

The engine is a late model 14xx, with the boiler top-feed housing behind the chimney, large steam deflector behind the whistle, and steps up the left side of the bunker. The valve gear appears to be full

Above: The author brings the GWR 14xx to a steady pace on its first outing at the Cabin Fever Model Engineering Expo.

Stephenson. It's amazing what those British engineers could cram between the frames. My specimen was unlettered black, so I can't comment on the lettering. The buffers are sprung, which is nice if you need to stop the engine in a hurry.

The cab roof (including the rear wall above the bunker) lifts out vertically for access to the interior, which includes a pressure gauge (visible through the left side window), a sight glass, and the reversing lever. The reversing lever has three notches, forward, neutral, and reverse. I have not yet exper-

imented with intermediate settings.

There was no instruction book, but Bob Clark of Stoke 'm & Smoke 'm gave me a quick briefing by telephone and it all seemed fairly standard.

Water feed is by a Goodall valve on top of the boiler inside the cab. I was not able to use the Goodall valve; Bob tells me that a few engines were sent out with too thick a plastic sleeve on



The GWR 14xx packaging features a millboard and attached foam blocks were sent out with too that completely encapsulates the locomotive for safe shipping. thick a plastic sleeve on

the Goodall valve, and this is one of them. If you have the cab roof on, access to the Goodall valve is by a sliding panel in the roof. Mine was too loose, but a quick tap with a hammer has fixed that. The Goodall valve is easily removed for manual filling, though care is needed, because there is something (I think it's the throttle mechanism) immediately below that rather chokes the inlet. And if you overfill the boiler and need to draw some of the water off, you can't get a syringe in very far, so tip the engine backwards slightly.

The gas filler and gas valve are on top of the coal bunker at the back. They seem standard. The throttle shaft sticks out under the back of the cab, with the throttle lever next to the gas valve. On my specimen, the set screw holding the throttle lever onto the shaft fouled the gas feed pipe (which is plastic) when the lever was turned. I have moved the lever forwards, though that means I can't run the engine with the cab roof on. Alternately, you could probably just remove the set screw, because the lever acts as a second set screw. (It might be possible to fit an RC servo into the cab, but it would have to be a small one.)

The steam oil lubricator is hidden in one of the side tanks, and the filler is accessed by opening the dummy water hatch. That is a little fiddly, because when the lubricator cap is fully unscrewed, the cap is still inside the dummy hatch opening, and not easily gripped without tools.

The engine arrived just in time for Christmas, in a Pennsylvania December, when garden running was impossible, so I took it to the Cabin Fever Model Engineering Expo held in Lebanon, Pennsylvania and ran it on a square track with roughly four-foot radius corners.

The engine can be lit through either the chimney or the smokebox door, and the fire settled in very easily at the ceramic burner. It took about 10 minutes to get up to temperature: the safety valve started to leak wisps of steam at about 30 psi, and lifted at 60 psi.

I started the engine off on rollers, but it quickly settled in and I tried it on the track. Within five minutes it was running steadily, though it slowed slightly on those corners. It seemed to run a bit better forwards than backwards. For a second run, I coupled up all the cars I had. The wheels slipped severely, so it was limited by traction and not by lack of power; it weighs less than five pounds. On

Bowande-Wuhu British 14xx GWR Specifications

Scale: 1:32 Gauge 1 (45mm)

Dimensions: $9^{15}/32$ inches, $5^{1}/32$ inches, $3^{1}/4$ inches

(250mm x 128mm x 83 mm) **Wheel Arrangement:** 0-4-2T

Material: Brass, Copper, Stainless steel
Fuel: Butane Gas Fired (Ceramic burner)
Fittiings: Superheater, Stainless steel motion,

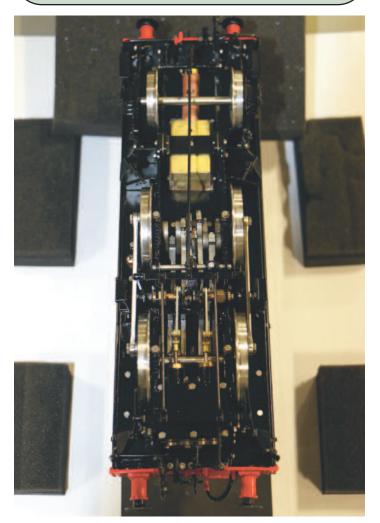
Water gauge, UK made pressure gauge, Reverser in cab, Sprung axles/buffers, Lubricator, Two working adjustable safety valves

Minimum Radius: 5 feet (1500mm)

Finish: Fully painted and lined. Choice of livery:

Green/Black

Engine numbers: 1466/1421/1470/1419



An underside view of the locomotive showing the (top) ceramic burner, (center) inside gearing and (bottom) cylinders.

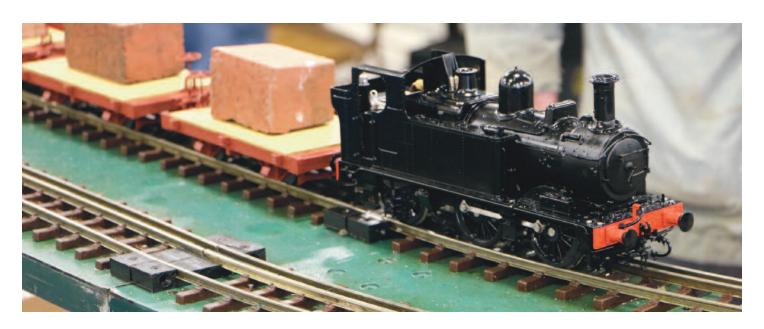


Above: The throttle exits the back of the cab and is a tight squeeze for big fingers. The plastic tube is the gas line that exits the tank and rubs against the underside of the throttle.

a third run, I assembled a train that the engine could just pull without slipping, and set a speed well within the (scale) 25 mph limit imposed on a Light Railway. The train ran for about 15 minutes before the gas ran out, leaving a comfortable amount of water in the boiler.

I am looking forward to more track time with this engine in the spring.

Below: While rated as having a minimum radius of five feet, the 14xx handled the 4-foot radius of the inside track of Mike Moore's portable track with ease at the Cabin Fever Model Engineering Expo.



HISTORY

The GWR 1400 Class locomotive was designed by the Great Western Railway for branch line passenger work. It was originally classified as the 4800 Class when introduced in 1932, and renumbered in 1946. The design dates back to 1868 with the introduction of the George Armstrong 517 class. The 4800 Class was designed as a more modern version of the 517 Class. The first locomotive, No 4800, was built by Swindon Works and entered service in 1932, with a further seventy-four engines of this type following up to 1936.

The 1400 Class was designed to work with the GWR design of autocoach, a specialist coach designed for push-pull working which could also be used with engines of other classes such as the 517's, the GWR 5400 Class, the GWR 6400 Class, and the older GWR 2021 Class.

Scrapping commenced in 1956 and all were withdrawn by early 1965. A few locomotives were preserved and are available today on display with one in service. Locomotive 1450 is operating on the Severn Valley Railway tourist railway in Shropshire and Worcestershire, England.

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leased by the success of their Quarry Hunslet in 1:13.7 scale, Accurraft is now introducing their new Bagnall 0-4-0ST to the seven-eighths realm. They're offering the engine in four colors — unlined black, dark blue, red and light green. Two engines which served with British Insulated Callender's Cables (BICC) have been preserved in the last color, although there are exam-

ples of this type found in the other three shades. No name or builders' plates are included, as these are available from specialist suppliers and can be customized to suit the prototype of one's choice.

My loco came packed in the substantial and nearly bomb-proof packaging that Accucraft is known for. The plywood base was bolted down to prevent movement, and with a loco (and box) this tall, it's a long way down to undo the nuts. I found that the easiest way to get the loco out of its box was to lay the whole thing down on its side

Text and Photos by Joel Novis

and slide the encased loco out. This is a deceptively heavy model, so care is advised in handling. The designers bolted a large weight — basically a solid metal cube — behind the front buffer beam to counterbalance the long rear end, the better to avoid unweighting the front drivers and provoking a derailment (or even an unintended wheelie).

Measurements of the model were checked

against a scale drawing of another preserved example of the 7 x 12-inch class (Peter, now at Amberley Museum in Sussex, UK) and found to be accurate for all major dimensions. The loco does capture the look and proportions of the prototype very well. At first glance, there doesn't seem to be a lot of detail, but some is simply not present on the prototype — the replacement saddle tank on Woto was welded, not riveted — and some is hidden, such as the leaf springs inside of the frames. The only critique I have of the model's appearance is the

Specifications

Scale: 1:13.7 (7/8-inch to the foot)

Gauge: No 1 (45mm)
Wheel arrangement: 0-4-0
Length: 12.6-inches/320mm
Width: 4.9-inches/25mm
Height: 7.5-inches/190mm
Boiler fittings: Throttle, Reverse
Lever, Gas Valve, Sight Glass with
Blowdown Valve, Safety Valve
Boiler: Bullhead with center flue, superheated

Fuel: Butane

Cylinder lubrication: Displacement

lubricator

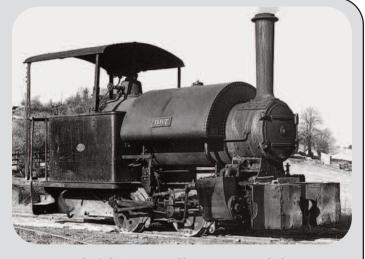
Valve gear: Modified Walschaert

MSRP: \$1425.00

History

Throughout the first third of the twentieth century, quarries, building projects, factories and nearly every other kind of large industrial enterprise used railroads to move bulk loads around their works. Small steam tank locomotives — usually no larger than four- or sixcoupled — were optimal for the tight clearances and sharp curvatures. Most locomotive manufacturers produced engines of this configuration, with some specializing in this market: for example, Porter, Davenport and Vulcan in the US and Kerr-Stuart, Hudswell Clarke and Bagnall in the UK, to name but a few. Builders offered not only locomotives, but also rolling stock and track to potential buyers, often as a complete package.

One of W.G. Bagnall's most popular narrow-gauge designs was a simple, four-coupled saddle tank available in five sizes, based on cylinder bore and stroke. The better than half-dozen surviving examples in the UK, India, Australia and New Zealand are either the 7x12-inch or 6x9-inch size classes. One of the larger class, Woto, was originally built to 42-inch gauge for British Insulated Callender's Cables' factory in Bexley, south and east of London. Along with its sister loco, Sir Tom, it was left for scrap when the rail system



0-4-0ST Bagnall at a Warwickshire quarry

closed and both were ultimately restored as two-foot gauge locomotives. Woto in its current form served as the prototype from which Accucraft UK took their design for this model, but this is not an exact scale replica of that specific engine. Bagnall frequently built batches of these saddle tanks as a stock item, and other than the replacement of Bagnall-Price valve gear with Walschaert gear, there is nearly no variation in proportions or dimensions for the locos built over a thirty-year span.

smokestack (chimney in UK parlance), which looks to have come from the same parts box as Accucraft's 1:13.7 - scale Quarry Hunslet. Chimney designs were often a distinctive brand marker in Britain, and I found this substitution to be a bit jarring. Fortunately, Bagnall owners looking to replace the stock item have found relief (see below).

The loco is equipped with a throttle (regulator), reverse lever, lubricator, miniature pressure gauge, sight glass with blowdown and gas valve. The last of these is cleverly disguised as the prototype brake lever and is very easy to reach. The gas tank is under the floor and fills through a valve accessible through a door in the cab back head, and will require a filler with an extension to reach. The boiler is true to the prototype, a marine or "bullhead" design with a large circular cross-section for the rearmost third of its length and a center flue. As the safety valve is prototypically sited on top of the boiler, the filler hole is just ahead of the turret. This is not as noticeable as one might think, as the eve tends to be drawn to the safety valve cover. The cab roof does not open, but this is not a drawback, as the wide-open cab sides and end leave plenty of room for fingers to get at the throttle and reverse lever. Care should be taken, however, when reaching for the reverse lever — the live steam line to the lubricator is very close to the top of the lever.

The loco is R/C ready, as there's a number of tapped holes in the cab floor behind the back head and to either side of the boiler for attaching component brackets using Accucraft's standard H2 screws.

Accucraft's specification for this model states a minimum radius of thirty inches. The loco was able to go around the 40-inch radius curves on my indoor layout, but did slow noticeably. More important, the long tail of this engine will swing out quite a bit on a tight curve, which could pull following rolling stock off the track unless a long coupling bar is used. The center buffers are drilled for a link and pin, but there's not a great deal of side-to-side movement possible. If replacement couplers are being considered, note that the stock buffers are attached to the buffer beams with shallow screws, as there is no clearance behind them — the front buffer has the solid weight directly behind it, the rear has the gas tank.



Stock Locomotive

Operation and Steaming

Preparation and first firing of the loco was straightforward. Gas first, then steam oil, then water; following alphabetical order helps me keep track of what's been done. Filling this boiler takes a surprising amount of water, nearly 400ml, which is a lot of syringe-fulls — a funnel is the recommended option. The air ring on the burner was adjusted to half-open and the fire lit off without drama. I have a personal idiosyncrasy of bringing a cold boiler up to pressure slowly, and it takes a while to heat up nearly a half-liter of water, so it was almost twenty minutes before 35 psi showed on the gauge. Even after starting the loco and with the gas supply dialed back, pressure continued to rise until it leveled out at 50 psi and stayed there until the gas ran out.

Starting from a standing stop is very smooth, although on my loco, it usually moved off more smoothly and at a lower throttle setting in reverse than in forward. The valve gear setting was checked and appeared to be within spec, so this may resolve itself after some time breaking in.

The Bagnall was easily able to pull three of my heavy, seven-eighths scale, four-axle dump cars — a prototypical load — at a very sedate, controllable pace. Run times have been consistently just over 40 minutes, without having to add water. I expect that with further breaking in, even longer run times will be possible. Accuraft doesn't supply a Goodall valve, but from my experience, it's not strictly



With new chimmney and loco plates added.

necessary unless you want to run the engine continuously.

I've made a few modifications to my loco since purchase. As already mentioned, the stock chimney was not really the correct shape. David Bailey in the UK also owns a Bagnall and made up a batch of replacement chimneys for himself and others. This was painted in a semi-gloss high-temperature paint to match the smokebox. In addition, a Summerlands chuffer was installed and radio control added for the throttle only. Despite the open cab, this can be done quite unobtrusively: the microservo for the throttle has been mounted on the floor behind the sight glass, with the receiver in the right bunker and room for a 4-AA cell battery pack in the left bunker. Builder's plates and nameplates were purchased from Narrow Planet and are meant to reflect a Bagnall that was built and first used in domestic service during World War I. The engine bears the name Warrior, suggested by Graham Langer at Accucraft UK after a decorated military horse from that conflict.

Accucraft's Bagnall is a sturdy, powerful model that admirably fills the need for a widely-used, narrow-gauge industrial type. It would look right at home hauling skips, log cars, slate wagons, cane wagons or even open-platform passenger coaches, and is a very welcome addition to live steam loco rosters for 7/8ths scale.



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he newest offering from Accucraft Trains as a commission with two dealers in England (Garden Railway Specialists and Anything Narrow Gauge) is a model of the first Garratt locomotive that was built for the two-foot gauge North East Dundas Tramway. K1 (and her sister K2) were built in 1910 to a patent registered to Herbert William Garratt in 1907.

BACKGROUND

For those of you not familiar with the Garratt style of locomotive, it was developed by H.W. Garratt, who was a long-time engineer with vast railway experience. This new type of locomotive was based on his experience of operating various types of locomotives under difficult conditions where gradients could be very steep and locomotives very much under-powered. The advantages of the Garratt locomotive were that the water tanks and fuel bunker were located at each end of the locomotive, which allowed the boiler to be built to the maximum permitted by the loading gauge and still re-

main low. Therefore the center of gravity was closer to the rails and allowed the engineman an excellent view from the cab.

The premier builder of Garratt locomotives was Beyer, Peacock and Co. LTD. Beyer, Peacock embraced the Garratt locomotive as their sales in 1907 numbered only 147 locomotives, and the directors were eager to expand their product line.

In 1929 the North East Dundas Tramway was dealt a fatal blow by the loss of its major traffic source, a mine that produced lead ore. After being in storage for close to 20 years, K1 was purchased by Beyer, Peacock for a proposed exhibit at the works (Gorton Foundry) in Manchester, England. In 1966 the engine was purchased by the Ffestiniog Railway and spent the next 10 years in dead storage at the Boston Lodge Works. During this time, it was also placed on display at the National Railway Museum in York, England.

The restoration of K1 was undertaken in 1995 with a total rebuild, including a new boiler as well as major running gear work. It was a regular per-

former on the Welsh Highland Railway until 2014, when it was brought in for overhaul.

THE MODEL

The Accucraft model is built to a scale of 1:19 and is gauge-adjustable for either 32mm (O gauge) or 45 mm (Gauge One). The model is butane-fired with a boiler that has twin flues and burners. The power units have the usual simplified Walschaerts valve gear. Although the model's cylinders appear to be piston valve, they contain slide valves.

This model, while not as big as Accucraft's previous offering of the NGG 16 Garratt, is still large with an overall length close to two feet (23.6 inches). Width is five and one-quarter inches and overall height is seven inches.

The initial adverts in the various magazines indicated that this model would be available in both manual as well as radio controlled versions. Inspection of the manual version under review shows that provisions have been made for radio control of both the throttle and reverser with various brackets and levers that have been incorporated into the model. It is this writer's understanding that radio-controlled versions are available from the two sellers in England who convert manual locomotives to radio control by special order.

Accuraft indicates that the model is available in three paint schemes: fully lined black, plain black, or works gray. Included with the model are nicely etched builders plates as well as number plates for both K1 and sister K2, to be applied by the purchaser.

Specifications

Scale/Gauge: 1:19 / 45-32mm, adjustable

Construction: Brass & Stainless Steel Mini. Radius: 48-inches. (1.2 meters) Length: 23.62-inches. (600mm) Width: 5.24-inches. (133mm)

Height: 7.09-inches. (180mm)

Features: Butane fired, Two cylinders, Twin flues, 60psi working pressure, Simplified Walschaerts valve, Slide valve, Steam regulator, Gas regulator, Drain cocks, Safety valve, Pressure gauge, Lubricator under floor drain valve, Water level gauge, Gas tank in water bath.

The locomotive can be configured as a coal burner or an oil burner, as both types of tender inserts are provided with each model.

Accurrant's specifications for the model indicate a minimum radius of 48 inches. While the locomotive will certainly go around that radius curve, it will look much better on a wider radius curve.

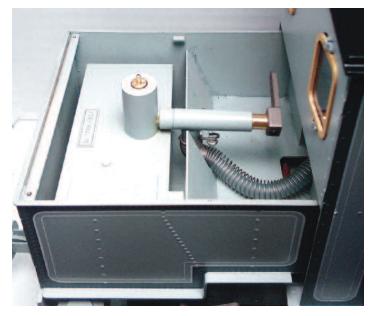
IMPRESSIONS

So the question now is how does it run? And the answer is "pretty well." Right out of the box the locomotive ran very well, albeit a little stiffly, as it clearly needs breaking in to achieve optimum results. Also noticed was the fact that the lifting links for the valve gear, which appear to be laser cut, could use some attention with a file as there were rough spots that will make manual reversing a little hard.

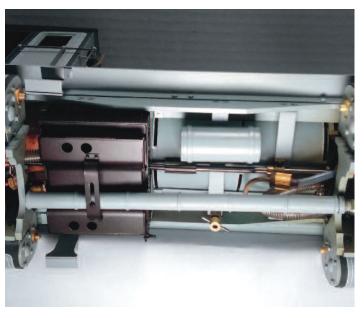
If you look at the photos of the interior of the cab, you will notice a giant "steering wheel" under the throttle valve body. This is the reverse mechanism, which mimics the previous Garratt model, the NGG 16. The system works fine; however, every time I went to reverse the model I ended up burning my fingers on the throttle valve. I would



Potential finger burner: Reversing wheel located below the throttle valve spindle makes for a difficult reverse. Lagging the valve spindle would help to reduce potential discomfort.



Butane tank in the tender body: A bulkhead separates tank from cab but may not be ready for use as a water bath until made leak proof.



View of the underside of the chassis.

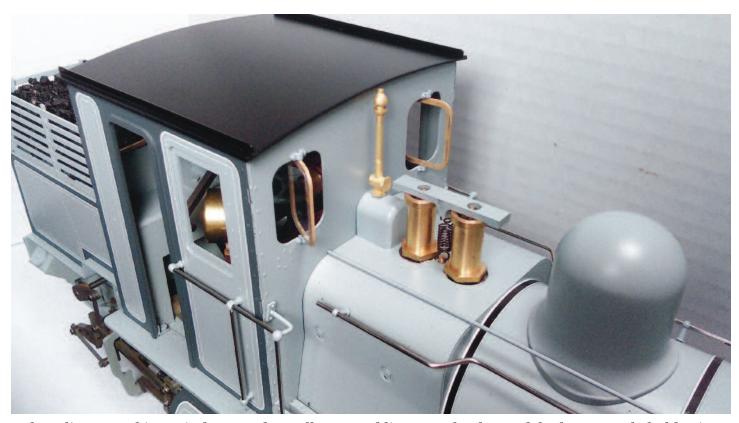
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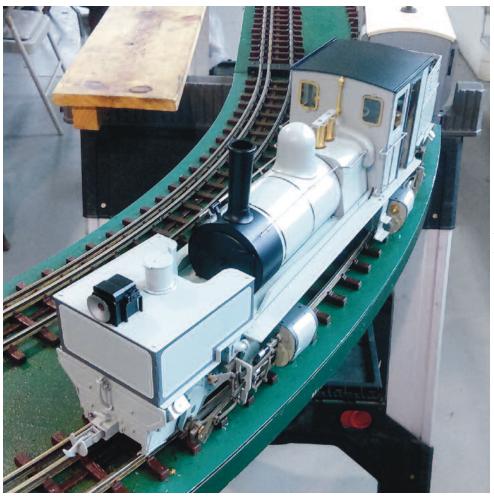
Reverser gear shaft from the cab to the runing gear. *U-* joints allow for the drive train to articulate on curves.

suggest that some heat shrink tubing be applied to the throttle valve body to insulate it.

The gas tank is located in the tender body next to the cab. The specifications indicate that the gas tank is surrounded by a water bath. In the review model this is not the case and, in point of fact, you would have to make some modifications, i.e., plug a large hole, in order to have a heated water bath. The fit and finish of this engine, especially the works gray livery, is outstanding, and I found nothing amiss in this area. If you are at all interested in owning a model of the first Garratt locomotive, I would suggest you place your order quickly as my understanding is that these are selling very fast in England and there are very few available in the U.S.



Clean lines, working windows and a well executed livery make the model a beauty to behold. Rivet detail is everywhere.



First Steam - Fresh out of the box the K-1 takes on a tight loop at the Cabin Fever Model Engineering Expo in Lebanon, Pennsylvania.

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Cabin Fever Model Engineering Expo Lebanon, Pennsylvania January 12 - 14, 2018

Text and Photos by Scott E. McDonald



he Twenty-Second exhibition of the Cabin Fever Model Engineering Expo was held in Lebanon, Pennsylvania from January 12th through the 14th. Gauge-One live steam was provided by the Aikenback Live Steamers running on track provided by Barbara and Mike Moore. The exhibition celebrates model engineering and exhibitors bring stationary engines, boats, and internal combustion engines to name just a few of the types of articles on display. Operating models of miniature carousels, Rube Goldberg ball bearing runs and

Steam in the Garden Circulation Manager Marie Brown (standing right) assists a new SitG reader with some back issues and subscription.





Jeff Burch assists Gary Franke prep and steam a Mamod for a few turns around the small track.

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even wooden calliopes fill out the exhibit hall.

The Expo provides a large boat basin for boating and a large pile of dirt for the radio-controlled construction equipment crowd. By the end of the three days, a road up and around the dirt pile is constructed.

For many of the live steamers in attendance, Cabin Fever offers a perfect venue for the initial steamup of locomotives received during the holidays. Henry Blanco-White proudly operated his new Bowande-Wuhu GWR 14xx locomotive and Mike McCormack brought his newly acquired Accurraft Tasmanian K-1 Garratt. Both of those engines are reviewed in this issue of *Steam in the Garden*.

In some years past, the dates of Cabin Fever conflicted with the Diamondhead International Small Scale Steamup. Not so for this year, as many who attended Cabin Fever left Lebanon en route to Mississippi for back-to-back steamups.



Henry Blanco-White puts his brand new Bowande-Wuhu 14xx locomotive through its paces on the small track at Cabin Fever. Henry uses the bricks not so much as a test load but a way to depress the cars springs so that the load rides smoothly.

See Henry's review of the 14xx on page 22.

Steve Bitondo of New York gives his locomotive a minor assist to begin its journey around the large track.





Live steam presentation in progress. Cabin Fever attendees get an impromptu lesson on firing at the small track.

Diamondhead International Small Scale Steamup January 14-21, 2018 Photos by Daniel Tilden



A Special Edition Anniversary Boxcar was created to celebrate the 25th Diamondhead Steamup.

Will Davis from Quincy, Florida prepares his Accucraft K-36 on the siding of the large track.





Jeremy Hagan from Noblesville, Indiana with his Accucraft Allegheny pulls a long consist that wraps arund one fourth of the large track.

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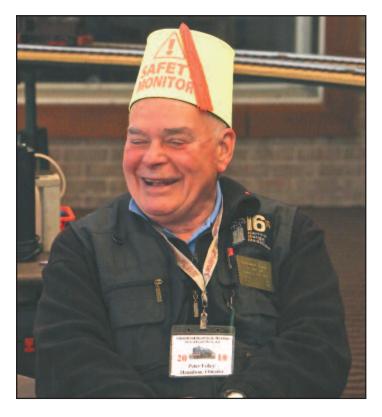
Mark Tilden (right) from Hoschton, Georgia with his Accucraft W&L #14.



Mike Simpson of Tallahassee, Florida readies his Accucraft Shay for a run.

Really small scale live steam. An HO scale live steamer displayed and operated by Mark Tilden chugs around a tiny portable layout on display.







Peter Foley shows his delight in being crowned Safety Monitor for a track — resplendant with a bright yellow fez.

Bruce Gathman of Easley, South Carolina enjoying steam in the pool along with Hank Peacock of Tucker, Georgia.



Bob Moser (left) of New Jersey looks on as Peter Comley of Vancouver, Washington flexes the tender pump on an ASTER King Arthur locomotive.

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Ed Johnson of Decatur, Alabama (center) enjoys the passing Accucraft 7/8ths Decauville. Nice plumes were evident everywhere this year due to colder than normal weather.





Evidently Junk Yard Dog went through a major overhaul this past year to morph from #2 to #3. This whimsical backwoods style loco shows the fun of creating a working steamer from bits and pieces.

The Atrium Bar served as a Memorial to steamers lost over the past year. Locomotives from their collection, now with new homes, were displayed along with mementos.



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A proud steamup committee of the Bayou Live Steamers pose for a group shot, happy with the success of steamup number twenty-five.

From left to right: Theo Reshew, Pat Darby, Terry Smelser, Ritchie Jacobs.

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Electric City Trolley Museum 2018

he Electric City Trolley Museum held its annual model train show over President's Day Weekend with live steam and finescale electric models in operation for the delight of visitors. Setup for this year turned out to be more of a challenge for the Aikenback Live Steamers who showed to assist in setting up and running on Mike and Barbara Moore's portable tracks.

If you follow social media then you may already know about the large model railway that was built and gifted to the City of Scranton by the John Oliver HBO Show "Last Week Tonight." If not, then here is the quick-and-dirty on its inception.

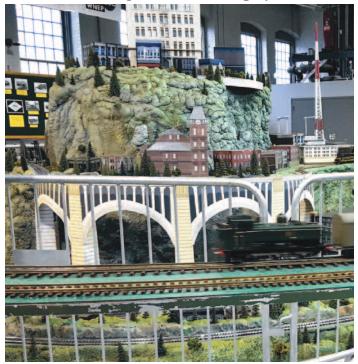
Local TV station Channel WNEP has a small garden railway on their back deck where the weather forecasters give their reports. The little railway is visible during the segment and Scranton is proud of their railway heritage. But as we all know from running garden railways, sometime things don't go quite as planned. Sometimes the train wasn't running, cars un-coupled and derailed; various maladys ensued that would get Scranton citizens to phone in to the station and discuss their displeasure with whatever situation was noticed.

WNEP posted a short video highlighting the Scranton love/hate relationship with the little garden railway on one of their news broadcasts as a short humor piece. This made the rounds on social media and was brought to the attention of *Last Week Tonight*, which is a satirical HBO news show. Mr. Oliver took it upon himself to create a "Grand Model Railroad" that would highlight Scranton's scenery and history. It was unveiled on his show in

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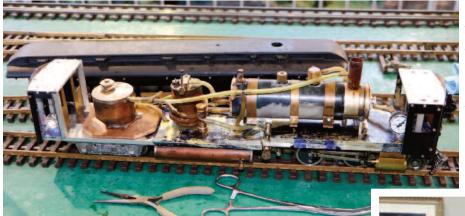
2017 to great fanfare and was subsequently donated to the City of Scranton where it currently resides in the ECTM car barn.

This thing is pretty big. Built as a freestanding three tier "Wedding Cake" design, the museum moved it into the center of the barn to give the live steamers room to go around the display, and in that



An ASTER Pannier Tanker races around the corner past the John Oliver Model Railway. The model railway provided a picturesque backdrop for the live steam trains.

Barbara Moore Photo



An Accucraft Ruby becomes the prime mover for a railmotor conversion by Carl Berg of New York. In addition to relocating bits and pieces of the Ruby, Carl added a condensate recovery tank.

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manner it became a nice backdrop at one end of the large track.

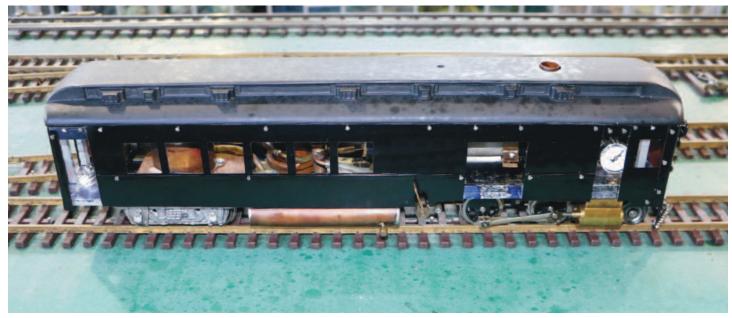
The Aikenback Steamers are used to having to negotiate items at the museum. When the President Day Weekend Steamups first began there was an open air trolley from Brazil that was waiting for restoration in the center of the car barn. The track would be set up to go around the trolley until 2011, when the trolley was traded to another museum.

The team had to modify the layout temporarily to circumnavigate the new model train display. Instead of the usual oval the team was actually able to make the layout a little wider and a little shorter at the same time, creating more of a squarish design since other items that previously took up space in that area of the museum had been relocated.

Below: Side view of Carl's railmotor buttoned up with the body in place. The sides are attached to the aluminum roof made by Reynold's Models.



Above: Carl Berg takes his railmotor out for a spin on the large track.





Another Ruby conversion – this one by Rob Kuhlman of Stowe, Pennsylvania. Based on an London and South Western Railway B4 class 0-4-0T dock tank project

Scott E. McDonald Photo

This necessitated removing some switches, realigning track on modules that were normally used for the small track to create the added width, and make a longer stub yard on one side of the layout. After several hours, the track was deemed operable and a few test runs were made before the all-important call for dinner.

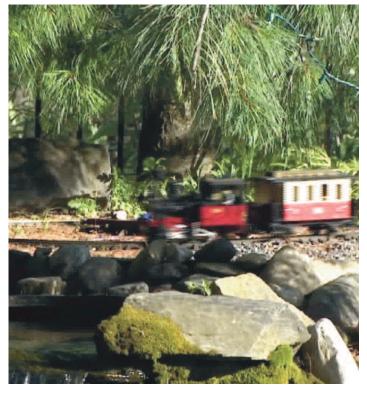
The threat of snow on Saturday forced the visitors to appear early and in force. Saturday would be the busiest day of the weekend. The snow was light and the roads cleared by Sunday afternoon when the local "regulars" showed up to enjoy the trains. On Monday our only concern was the threat of rain. Tear-down took the usual time and we were ready to head on home just as the rain began. A close call, but WNEP weather kept us well informed on what was heading our way.

And yes, the little train on their back deck was in good operating order when I checked the morning forecast before heading to the museum.



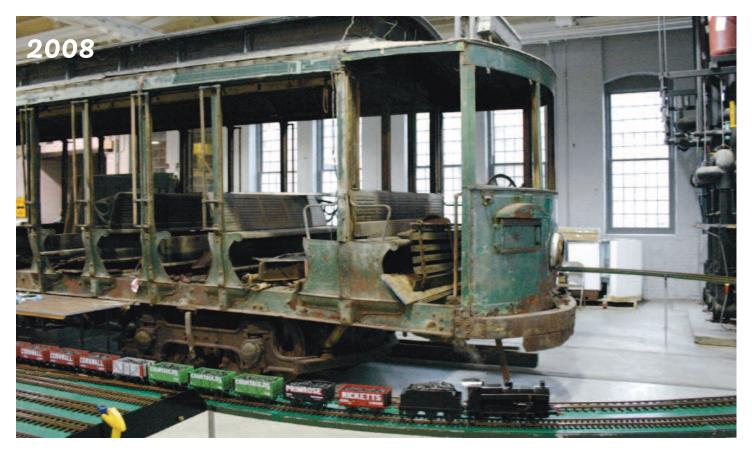
Shawe Coal-fired conversion of a Roundhouse Fowler gives off a nice plume as it passes one of the museum's trolleys.

Jeff Young Photo



WNEP's garden railway and inspiration for the John Oliver model railway.

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Looking back to 2008 & 2009 - Not a stranger to obstacles, for a few years the Aikenback Live Steamers had to circumnavigate a Brazilian open air trolley that sat on display waiting for restoration.

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May 25-28, 2018 — North-American 16MM Association Gathering. Pennsylvania Live Steamers, Rahns, PA. Info: http://www.northamerican16mmmodellers.org/

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Steam Tram by Joe Rothwell - Coming in July/August Issue #156. Joe Rothwell gives us a look at his Steam Tram Project.

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Bill Allen - Bill lives in Woodside, California and first became interested in live steam in 2008 when he saw Richard Murray's layout at a BAGRS open house. He proceeded to buy a Ruby, C16 and Forney before deciding to start building his own. He bought a mill and lathe and with the help of some BAGRS members learned to use them and was soon making chips. Since then he has completed 20 projects some of which have been featured in Steam in the Garden, and currently has a multi-part article running in Live Steam. All of his builds are one-of-a-kind as he only builds those which have never been done before and probably will never be done again in G gauge live steam. Bill's prior hobby was building fine furniture and he uses some of those skills and tools in hie engine building.

Harlan Chinn - Harlan lives in Seattle, Washington. He began model railroading in 1994 in N-scale where he contributed articles and photographs for detailing and custom painting N-scale equipment of the Great Northern Railroad that he rode as a child in the early 70's. He caught the Gauge One live steam bug in 2000 while meeting members of the local Puget Sound Garden Railway Society live steam group at a local all-gauge train show. An education in the field of architecture and photo-journalism enables him to design precision laser cut railroad models as well as provide well-documented accounts of garden railroad steamup events.

Mike McCormack - Mike started in model railroading at the age of five when Santa delivered a Lionel Seaboard Switcher train set. Of course the fact that his family moved next to the New Haven Railroad passenger main line into Boston was a factor as well. Modeling in O scale, HO, and Large Scale followed, with an introduction to live steam at the 1999 Washington-Virginia Garden Railway Convention. A particular emphasis is the kit-bashing of stock steamers into something, to him, more interesting. Mike is a retired Contracting Specialist for the U.S. Air Force and resides in Hudson, Massachusetts with his wife Deborah.

Joel Novis - Family legend has it that Joel's love of trains began with a cab ride in a Long Island Railroad switch engine at two years of age, and since that time he's ridden the rails in a dozen other countries, from the Ffestiniog to the Shinkansen and many points in between. Joel's first taste of running live steam was firing a full-sized Pacific Coast Shay. Nearly 25 years ago, he bought his first steamer that was small enough to bring home (but too small to climb into the cab), a Pearse "Countess". He's lost track of how many live steam engines have come and gone since then. Joel lives in Western Massachusetts and currently models UK industrial narrow gauge in 7/8n2.



Henry Blanco-White - Henry Blanco White bought his first Ruby shortly after emigrating from London to Philadelphia, nearly 20 years ago, and subsequently became an active member of Pennsylvania Live Steamers. He is now retiring from practice as a patent attorney, after 40 years, and is looking forward to having time for some serious scratch-building.

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HE CUPOLA VIEW

In the waybill we announced a new Team Member for Steam in the Garden. Brittany's efforts here in the near future will bring our digital presentation on the internet up to 100%. Our entire catalog will be available in the near future. I can't predict a date at this time – while setting lofty goals is a good thing to do, we all still have commitments to family and work that encompass our day. But I'm excited for the prospects that are now in work.

The technical world keeps changing and trying to keep up is all consuming. As mentioned in a product review recently, physical media is starting to vanish from the digital landscape. Producing DVD's or CD's is an expensive proposition so providing access via the internet is the way of today vice tomorrow.

I want to give my congratulations to the Team

Members of the International Small Scale Steamup for their recent celebration of their twenty-fifth steamup. The celebration is a year off from when it all began due to that one year where Hurricane Katrina interrupted the festivities. I had hoped to be there this year, but the bug that my wife and I both picked up during Cabin Fever this year forced us to cancel our plans at the last minute. The addition of the elevated riding track by Richard Jacobs looks like it was a big hit from the videos and pictures of the event.

Time to get my steam gear ready for the next steamup. Hope to see you all at a steamup in the future. Cheers, and Happy Steaming - Scott

'Cupola view' is written by Editor Scott E. McDonald: you can contact him at sitgeditor@gmail.com or P.O. Box 1539, Lorton, VA 22199.



Will your locomotive pull you? Mark Tilden tries out the new elevated track made by Ritchie Jacobs of the ISS Steam Team at the 2018 steamup.

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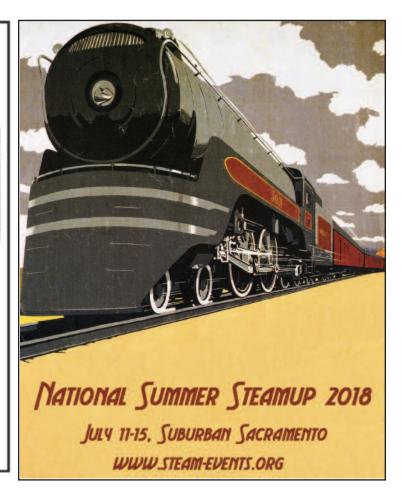


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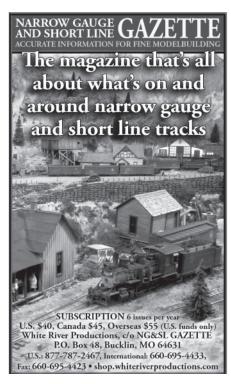


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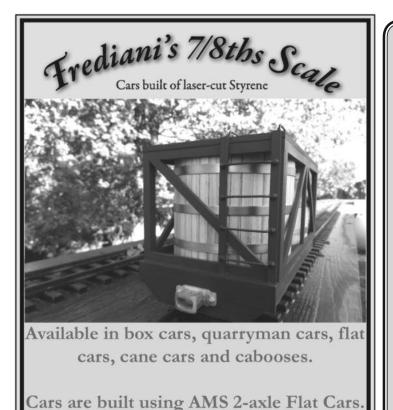


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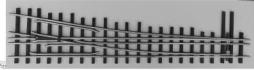
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