



Members' newsletter

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May 2016

Tue 3	Railway Resource Centre open
Wed 4	Members' Meeting: Speaker: Frank Johnson <i>60th Anniversary of opening of Circular Quay</i>
Sat 7	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 10	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 10	Newcastle Annual Members' Meeting plus Photo Competition
Sat 14	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 17	Railway Resource Centre open
Wed 18	Luncheon Club - City Railway from above ground in Hyde Park
Sat 21	Railway Resource Centre open
Sat 21	CPHs to Cessnock Tour
May 23 to 27:	Great South by South West Qld Tour
Tue 24	Railway Resource Centre open
Sat 28	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 31	Railway Resource Centre open

June 2016

Wed 1	Members' Meeting: Bill Phippen Old NSW Railway Bridges
Sat 4	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 7	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 7	Newcastle Members' Meeting:
Sat 11	Railway Resource Centre open
Sat 11 to 14:	Tour to Coonamble and Cobar with 621/721
Mon 13	Public Holiday Bookshop Closed
Tue 14	Railway Resource Centre open
Wed 15	Luncheon Club Inspection of Chullora Workshops
Sat 18	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 21	Railway Resource Centre open
Sat 25	Railway Resource Centre open
Sat 25	Tour - China Experience by High Speed Train
Tue 28	Railway Resource Centre open

Bequests

Plan better for tomorrow with a gift in your Will.

Leaving a charitable bequest in your Will to the Australian Railway Historical Society NSW Division is an effective way to create a lasting legacy, to provide continuing support to the Society you care about.

Your gift enables us to grow our operations and respond to the changing needs of the Society. With a strong endowment, we are able to continue to be responsive and strategic in making our Society achieve its goals.

Whilst community needs change with time, ARHSnsw wants to build an endowment to continue to tackle its long-term challenges as well as its immediate needs locally.

For information on how to leave a bequest in your Will contact ARHSnsw on

(02) 9699 4595 or email us at: mail@arhsnsw.com.au

Sydney meetings:	Members' meetings are held in Sydney on the first Wednesday of the month. Meetings commence 6.30pm (seating available from 6pm)	At the 'Mitchell Room', 1st floor, Sydney Mechanics School of Arts, 280 Pitt St, Sydney (between Park & Bathurst Sts)
Newcastle meetings:	Members' meetings are held in Newcastle on the second Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm.	At the New Lambton Community Centre, cnr Alma Rd and Cromwell St, New Lambton
Redfern Bookshop:	Monday to Friday: 10am to 5pm Saturday: 9am to 4pm	Phone: 02 9699 4595 • Fax: 02 9699 1714 Email: sales@arhsnsw.com.au 67 Renwick Street, Redfern, NSW, 2016
Rail Resource Centre:	Tuesdays: 12pm to 4pm Saturdays: 10am to 3pm	Email: resources@arhsnsw.com.au (Ph 02 9699 2736 and fax: 02 9699 1714, please note requests not taken by phone) 67 Renwick Street, Redfern, NSW, 2016 (only during advertised opening times)
GM, Administration and Mail Order:		Phone: 02 9699 4595 • Fax: 02 9699 1714 Email: mail@arhsnsw.com.au 67 Renwick Street, Redfern, NSW, 2016 (by appointment only)
Tours:	As advertised	Infoline: 02 8394 9019 or 0428 333 443 www.arhsnsw.com.au

Members' Photo Competition

The subject for April's competition was 'NSW Diesels at Work circa 1960s/1970s' and the entry judged to be the best was Peter Sage with his great slide of 4010 heading the Goulburn Passenger at Campbelltown. His winning image is reproduced below:



Upcoming subjects are:

May—Sydney's Forgotten Goods Lines (100-year anniversary)

June—Great Steam Tours

July—Railway Accidents/Derailments

August—Sydney's Single Deck Electric Trains

September—Stations out of the ordinary

October—Modern trains in NSW

November—70 Years of ARHSnsw Tours

Contestants are to submit digital images at least 24 hours beforehand to: mail@arhsnsw.com.au

Digital images cannot be submitted on the night. *Submissions are limited to **FIVE** slides or digital images only. Prints will not be accepted. The subject should also be the image's main focus.

We expect contestants to submit a caption with each digital image and in the case of slides to know when, where and why the photo was taken.

The winning image may be used for publicity purposes in the Society's print and digital media.

April Members' Meeting

Well-known transportation historian, photographer and author, John Ward, spoke at our April members' meeting. His presentation centered on transport in the Sydney City area and featured the images of several photographers. Of particular interest and drawing immediate audience reaction were the images of trams around the Circular Quay/Fort Macquarie area in the 1950s as the railway station and Cahill Expressway were under construction.

Johns' presentation encompassed all transport modes. Shipping being a particular favourite of his. The old cargo ships, the wharves and the method of loading/unloading were the focus of his and others' cameras. It was a great presentation for the variety in transportation seen and everyone enjoyed the show, especially the presenter!

Volunteers Needed

There are many ways you can help out the Society if you would like to contribute your voluntary time. At the moment the Rail Resource Centre, Finance Dept. (MYOB experience preferred) and bookshop are urgently in need of assistance. Plus we are still looking for help from members who have good Microsoft Access skills. If you can help out please contact the General Manager, Ross Verdich, on 9699 4595 or email: rossverdi@arhsnsw.com.au

Tour Schedule

May 21: CPHs to Cessnock (*Booking form on Page 3*)

May 23 to 27: Great South by South West Qld Tour
(*Further enquiries to Redfern office*)

June 11 to 14: Coonamble and Cobar on 621/721
(*Tour almost full, contact Redfern office*)

June 15: Luncheon Club Inspection of Chullora Workshops
(*Tour full, 2nd Division Tour on 13 July, only 25 places left, use previous booking form*)

June 25 to July 7: China Experience by High Speed Train
(*Contact Opulent Journeys 1300 219 885*)

July 13: Luncheon Club 2nd Division Inspection of Chullora Workshops

July 22 to 25: 402 Club Tour of North Western Branches
(*Booking form on Page 4*)

August 13 to 14: SMR & Coalfields Tour with Ed Tonks
(*Booking form on Page 5*)

August 20 to 28: 125 Anniversary of Normanton Croydon Railway
(*2nd Tour is now fully booked*)

September 10: 620 Class Rail Car tour to Rylstone
(*Booking form on Page 6*)

October 16 to November 3: Central Asia & Great Silk Road
(*Contact Opulent Journeys 1300 219 885*)

November 20: Port Kembla, Steelworks & Metropolitan Colliery

For more info contact ARHSnsw Tours 02 8394 9019 or 0428333443.

RAILWAY LUNCHEON CLUB

The next Luncheon Club outing is on 18 May 2016. Life member John Oakes will lead us on an exploration of the route of the City Railway as seen from above ground in Hyde Park. We meet on the large area between the two platforms at St James Station at 10.30am. As we will be returning to Central as part of our tour, lunch will again be in the Royal Exhibition Hotel opposite the Railway Institute in Chalmers Street

On 15 June 2016 we are going to Chullora Workshops to inspect the work on 3801. This will require hire of a bus which will pick us up from Lidcombe Station at 10.00am and drop us at the Bankstown Hotel for lunch after the tour.

This tour is fully booked, but due to the demand, a second tour has been organised for Wednesday 13 July. There is additional space available for the 13 July tour so if you wish to go but have not previously booked, then please do so using the booking form in the April Newsletter, but note that the tour date will be 13 July and NOT 15 June as shown on this booking form. Lunch for the July tour will be at the Bankstown Hotel.

For the future, on 24 August Ed Tonks will be showing us the delights of Sandgate and its cemetery, including the cemetery branch line.

Again a bus will be required and the booking form for this tour will be in the June Newsletter. Lunch will be at the Sunnyside Tavern at Broadmeadow

Gary Hughes, Manager, Railway Luncheon Club.

