



Members' newsletter

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January 2018

Mon 1	New Year's Day Bookshop closed
Tue 2	Railway Resource Centre open
Wed 3	Members' Meeting: <i>Shane O'Neil Exotic Railway Images</i>
Sat 6	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 9	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 9	Newcastle Members' Meeting: <i>Railway DVDs</i>
Sat 13	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 16	Railway Resource Centre open
Sat 20	Railway Resource Centre open
Sun 21	Tour: A Passenger Train to Kandos in CPHs
Tue 23	Railway Resource Centre open
Fri 26	Australia Day Bookshop closed
Sat 27	Railway Resource Centre closed
Tue 30	Railway Resource Centre open

February 2018

Sat 3	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 6	Railway Resource Centre open
Wed 7	Members' Meeting: <i>Peter Sage: The NSW Rail Scene 1958-60</i>
Sat 10	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 13	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 13	Newcastle Members' Meeting: <i>High Speed Trains</i>
Sun 14	Tour: Holdsworthy Army Base & Engineers Museum
Sat 17	Railway Resource Centre open
Tue 20	Railway Resource Centre open
Sat 24	Railway Resource Centre open
Sat 25	DD Bus to Heritage Trams at Sydney Tramway Museum
Tue 27	Bookshop & Railway Resource Centre open

*The Society's Board & Staff
wish all our members
a Happy New Year!*

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
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)
GM, Administration and Mail Order:		Phone: 02 9699 4595 • Fax: 02 9699 1714 Email: mail@arhsnsw.com.au
Tours:	As advertised	Infoline: 02 8394 9019 or 0428 333 443 www.arhsnsw.com.au

Tour Schedule

- January 21: A Passenger Train to Kandos**
(Tour booking form on page 4)
- February 14: Holdsworthy Army Base & Engineers Museum**
(Tour full: contact office for waiting list)
- February 25: Heritage Trams at Sydney Tramway Museum**
(Heritage double decker bus from Central) (Booking form on p5)
- March 16, 17 & 18: Temora Book Launch Tour**
(More details in next newsletter)
- April 7: Newcastle Auchmuty Library & Harbour Cruise on William IV paddle wheeler**
(Booking form on page 6)
- May 7/20: Northern Japan by Rail for enthusiasts**
(Special itinerary for ARHSnsw. Contact office for flyer.)
For more information contact: ARHSnsw Tours on:
02 8394 9019 or 0428333443.

Members' Photo Competition

The December competition was the judge's selection of the best digital image from the monthly competitions in 2017. Neville Pollard was the overall winner for the year with his image of GM22 on the *The Indian Pacific* refuged somewhere on the Nullarbor Plain waiting to cross a freight in January 1972.



The runner-up was Bob Daniel with his image of the eastern support pylon of the Nepean River Bridge on the incomplete Maldon-Dombarton line. Upcoming subjects are:

January—The last train

February—Levers, lamps and lavatories

March—Suburban trains.

The photo competition is now held for the submission of digital images only. Slides or prints cannot be accepted.

The Society's Board hopes this will encourage more entries in this digital age. Contestants are to submit digital images at least 24 hours beforehand to: mail@arhsnsw.com.au . Digital images cannot be submitted on the night.

Contestants who cannot scan and email their print/slides may come to the Redfern Bookshop no later than seven days beforehand to have their photos scanned. In most cases the print/slides will be returned at the Members' Meeting.

Contestants are to submit a caption with each digital image and to know when and where the photo was taken. The subject should also be the image's main focus. Submissions are limited to **FIVE** digital images only.

No prize will be given on the night but the winning image will be entered into a contest at the December Members' Meeting when a winning prize plus a runner up will be awarded.

Note: Images submitted from throughout the year will be considered, not just the winning entries.

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

New Book: Publishing February
Neville Pollard's
Crown Land to Closer Settlement:
Railways and land reform
in the Temora region.
264 pages \$92*
(*less 10% member's discount)

Crown Land to Closer Settlement

Railways and land reform in the Temora region



RAILWAY LUNCHEON CLUB

The Luncheon Club is now in recess. Outings resume on 21 March 2018 when Bill Phippen will show the features of the Long Cove viaduct at Lewisham.

Update from the Railway Resource Centre (RRC)

With the fragmentation of railway systems, the RRC is the only museum or heritage body focussed solely on collecting and documenting the history of the railway and the important role it has played (and continues to play) in the social and economic development of our nation.

The RRC is the largest archive of its kind in Australia. It now has well over 330,000 images in a searchable database, with another 250,000 in the process of being scanned and catalogued. The Centre also holds thousands of pages of railway-related documents and records, most of them digitised and searchable via our intranet.

The collection continues to grow. In just the past few weeks, over ten thousand more images have been donated. Our dedicated team of volunteers has become very proficient at scanning and cataloguing images, even when there is very little accompanying information.

You may have not realised that access to the Railway Resource Centre is free to all members of the Society. If you are a researcher, modeller, family historian or just curious to know more about Australian railways past and present, the RRC can surely answer your question.

Our vision is to continue to grow the collection, improve the profile of the RRC in the community and open-up access so that it is well-used and operating sustainably.

While we are well on the way to achieving our vision, we heavily rely on volunteers. To see it through we need you to:

- *Volunteer at the RRC – at either of our two facilities, Redfern or Alexandria. Volunteers are needed most days of the week*
- *Donate or bequeath your photo or slide collection to the RRC*
- *Financially contribute to the work of the RRC*

Any enquiries can be confidentially discussed without obligation. E-mail me at: james.dalton@arhsnsw.com.au or call 0414705396.

The RRC is open Tuesdays 12-4pm and Saturdays 10am-3pm. Other times by appointment or call 9699 2766.



A PASSENGER TRAIN TO KANDOS

CELEBRATE AND EXPERIENCE A TOUR ALONG THIS VERY SCENIC LINE

CPH Rail Motors 1, 3 and 7

Sunday 21 January 2018

The Rail Motor Society and ARHSnsw have been given the opportunity to run a heritage train to Kandos Station by the line operator John Holland on Sunday 21st January 2018. The train will consist of the three CPH Rail Motors Nos. 1, 3 and 7 from the Rail Motor Society at Paterson. Come and join us for this nostalgic trip to Kandos on the truncated Mudgee line. Our special train is expected to depart Sydney Central around 7.40am. A Devonshire morning tea is included and will be served at your seat as the train crosses the Great Dividing Range through the Blue Mountains.

At Wallerawang we take the branch line through Pipers Flat, Portland, Cullen Bullen, Ben Bullen and onwards through the magnificent Capertee Valley. Continue on through Clandulla and Charbon to our destination at Kandos. Following our arrival at Kandos, expected around 1.00pm, there will be a short walk to the Kandos Hotel where a typical country pub lunch will be served. There is the option also to bring your own picnic lunch or make your own arrangements. After lunch, take a walk along the main street taking in the life of what is now a quiet country town before returning to the station.

Rejoin the train for a 3.00pm departure that is due to return to Sydney Central by 8.30pm. Afternoon tea will be served as we return through the afternoon glow so spectacular in the Capertee Valley.

The train will pick up and set down at Strathfield, Parramatta, Blacktown and Penrith. Tour notes will be available on departure from Sydney.



Please book me on: A PASSENGER TRAIN TO KANDOS tour on Sunday 21 January 2018

Mail to: ARHSnsw Tours
67 Renwick Street
REDFERN, NSW, 2016

or **fax** (02) 9699 1714

or **Book at:** ARHSnsw Bookshop
67 Renwick Street
REDFERN, NSW, 2016

Members and guests.....Seats Including Morning & Afternoon Teas and Lunch	@	\$165.00	\$.....
Non-MembersSeats Including Morning & Afternoon Teas and Lunch	@	\$175.00	\$.....
Members and guests.....Seats Including Morning & Afternoon Teas	@	\$145.00	\$.....
Non-MembersSeats Including Morning & Afternoon Teas	@	\$155.00	\$.....
TOTAL			\$..... (GST incl.)

Name.....Membership No.

Address.....Postcode.....

Telephone.....(mobile).....E-mail.....

Name(s) of accompanying person(s).....

Please note your **special dietary** requirements.....

I will join the train at.....Station

PREFERRED PAYMENT BY CHEQUE/MONEY ORDER/CASH for \$.....or please DEBIT my VISA or MASTERCARD

Card No. Expiry /

SignatureDate

Tickets and Itinerary confirmation will be posted to your address 10 days before departure

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**RAIL ARCHIVE FILM & PHOTO PRESENTATION
AT NEWCASTLE UNIVERSITY THEN CRUISE
NEWCASTLE HARBOUR ON THE 'WILLIAM IV'
PADDLE WHEELER**

Saturday 7 April 2018

Join the 7.21am Intercity Train from Central to Broadmeadow due at 9.43am to join the coach departing at 10am to transfer to the Newcastle University's Auchmuty Library for a very special presentation of associated rail footage from the recent acquisition of NBN Channel 3 Newcastle's film archives, arranged by Greg Anderson. Ed Tonks will again be giving a commentary on the showing. Refreshments will be served on arrival.

Transfer to the Newcastle harbourside for lunch at leisure at 12.30pm from the variety of food outlets along the wharf precinct. Board the recently restored replica of the 'William IV' paddle wheeler for a cruise around Newcastle Harbour noting the various shipping movements and activities around the harbour foreshore. Rejoin our coach at 4pm before the return to Broadmeadow to connect with the Intercity service to Sydney at 5.01pm, due to arrive at Central at 7.32pm.

Tour cost includes coach transfers, your 'William IV' cruise and a donation to the special project fund at the University.

Rail travel to Broadmeadow is at your own cost.

**Booking form for:
A Newcastle Harbour Cruise on the Replica 'WILLIAM IV' Paddle Wheeler
and Newcastle University's Auchmuty Library NBN Channel 3 Rail
associated Film & Photo Archive Presentation on Saturday 7 April 2018**

Mail to: ARHSnsw Tours or fax (02) 9699 1714 Pay at: ARHSnsw Bookshop
67 Renwick Street 67 Renwick Street
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Please book for me.....Seats (ARHSnsw Members and guests)	@	\$75.00	\$.....
.....Seats non-members	@	\$85.00	\$.....
	TOTAL		\$..... (GST incl.)

Name.....
Address.....Postcode.....
Telephone (home)..... (mobile).....Membership No.
E-mail.....
Accompanied by.....

PREFERRED PAYMENT BY CHEQUE/MONEY ORDER/CASH for \$.....

Or please DEBIT my VISA or MASTERCARD

Card No. Expiry /

SignatureDate

Tickets and timetable confirmation will be posted to your address 10 days before departure.

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