

MEMBERS' NEWSLETTER

RAILWAY LUNCHEON CLUB LINDFIELD

Gary Hughes reports:

Visit to Lindfield Station 17 August 2011
Why would two buildings built on opposite platforms to the same standard design, be so different? Such is the case at Lindfield, and about 40 members and friends went to Lindfield to find out why.

The weather remained kind to us this time, and in his inimitable style, ARHSnsw Life Member Stuart Sharp explained to the group the significance of the differences in the buildings, and along the way gave a history of the station and its features, especially the three successive buildings on the overbridge. With the cooperation of SM Gary George our group was able to enter the now disused sections of the down platform building. ARHS Life Member John Oakes spoke of the track layout necessary for the terminating of trains, both steam and electric.

What appeared to be an innocuous suburban station turned out to be one with a fascinating history, albeit influenced by politics of the time. Nothing changes!

There being no suitable eateries nearby, the group travelled the short distance to Chatswood RSL for lunch.

The next outing is to Goulburn on 20th and 21st September. This is now fully booked, and participants are asked to pick up their comprehensive tour notes before the tour. These notes should be available from the Bookshop at Central from 1st September.

For the future, on 19th October we are going to Lidcombe, 16th November to Thirroul and on 21st December we are visiting the Sydney Signal Box at Redfern.



The group listen as SM Gary George explains features of what was the gents toilet on the Down platform at Lindfield. Image: David Taylor.

EXTRACTS FROM THE
ARHSnsw DIVISION 2011 ANNUAL REPORT
Full annual report and notes are available for viewing
on the ARHSnsw web site: www.arhsnsw.com.au

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 APRIL 2011

| | <u>2011</u> | <u>2010</u> |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Current Assets | | |
| Cash | 420,088 | 316,252 |
| Receivables/Prepayments | 99,375 | 113,916 |
| Inventories | 134,949 | 150,378 |
| Total Current Assets | 654,412 | 580,546 |
| Investments | | |
| Inv. advance to Rail Motor Society | 15,000 | 18,000 |
| Property, Plant and Equipment | 2,019,999 | 1,891,205 |
| Total Non-Current Assets | 2,034,999 | 1,909,205 |
| Total Assets | 2,689,411 | 2,489,751 |
| Current Liabilities | | |
| Payables | 208,031 | 215,144 |
| Income in Advance | 219,949 | 227,770 |
| Provisions | 94,500 | 94,500 |
| Total Current Liabilities | 522,480 | 537,414 |
| Non Current Liabilities | | |
| Mortgage | 9,391 | 9,391 |
| Total Non Current Liabilities | 9,391 | 9,391 |
| Total Liabilities | 531,871 | 546,805 |
| Net Assets | 2,157,540 | 1,942,946 |
| Members' Funds | | |
| Reserves | 1,001,639 | 860,886 |
| Retained Surplus | 1,155,901 | 1,082,060 |
| Total Members Funds | 2,157,540 | 1,942,946 |

INCOME STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2011

| | <u>2011</u> | <u>2010</u> |
|--|---------------|----------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Revenues from Ordinary Activities | 1,593,769 | 1,780,496 |
| Changes in Inventories | 15,429 | (6,632) |
| Membership Subscription Revenue | 34,311 | 34,569 |
| Interest Revenue | 11,540 | 2,897 |
| Direct Costs incurred in Receiving Revenues | (885,307) | (986,265) |
| Employee Expenses | (423,562) | (448,502) |
| Depreciation Expense | (27,315) | (27,038) |
| Provision for Archive Restoration | 0 | 9,443 |
| Auditors Remuneration | (9,016) | (9,220) |
| Other Expenses from Ordinary Activities | (236,008) | (229,910) |
| Surplus from Ordinary Activities before Income Tax | 73,841 | 119,838 |
| Income Tax relating to Activities | - | - |
| Surplus from Activities Attributable to Members | 73,841 | 119,838 |