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COVER STORY: VISITORS ENJOY THE FEBRUARY RUNNING DAY



LEON BRACK FROM THE CENTRAL COAST STEAM MODEL SOCIETY WAITS FOR CLEAR TRACKS ON OUR RUNNING DAY, FEBRUARY 17TH 2008.
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**LEAL (ON THE GARRETT) AND LEON (2705) TAKE A BREAK IN THE
PARKING BAY 17.02.08**

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**WORKING BEE REPORT
SATURDAY 9TH FEBRUARY 2008.**

A MAJOR WORKING BEE WAS HELD ON THE 9TH OF FEBRUARY TO RE-ALIGN THE TRACK AT THE BOTTOM OF THE CLIMB TO KELSO AND AT THE TOP OF THE GRADE APPROACHING THE STATION. THIS INVOLVED RAISING THE TRACK AND WELDING SECTIONS UNDER THE RAILS WHICH PROTRUDE UNDER THE CEMENT BARRIER; THIS HELPS TO KEEP THE CAMBER CORRECT THROUGH THE FULL LENGTH OF THE CURVE GIVING A SMOOTHER RIDE.



PETER AND BOB WELD EXTENSIONS UNDER THE RAILS TO ASSIST IN MAINTAINING THE CORRECT CAMBER AND ALIGNMENT INTO AND AROUND THE CORNER

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THIS WORK TOOK AROUND 3 TO 4 HOURS TO COMPLETE EVEN THOUGH WE HAD A LOT OF MEMBERS TURN UP TO HELP. THE FOLLOWING IS A COLLECTION OF PHOTOS FROM THE DAYS WORK.



THIS PICTURE SHOWS THE RAIL BEING SUPPORTED BY BRICKS WHILE THE WORK WAS UNDERTAKEN. ALSO VISIBLE ARE THE PILES OF BALLAST BEHIND THE TRACK. THE WORK WAS CARRIED OUT BY PETER, BOB, STEVEN, FRED, BRENTON, FAY AND DOUGLAS.

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STEVE SHOVELS OUT THE BALLAST



BOB WELDS THE EXTENSIONS ONTO THE TRACK

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FAY GETS THE LAWNMOWER WORKING HARD.



FRED SHOVELS THE BALLAST BACK AFTER THE JOB IS COMPLETE.



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VISITING MEMBERS, THEIR LOCOS AND ROLLING STOCK.

THE FEBRUARY RUNNING DAY BROUGHT SOME VISITORS TO THE TRACK. THESE PEOPLE ALSO BROUGHT ALONG THEIR LOCOS AND ROLLING STOCK. THIS IS A PHOTO SPECIAL ON THEIR DAY HERE.



THIS IS NUMBER 12, A FREELANCE GARRET BUILT AROUND THE RUNNING GEAR OF 2 BLOWFLY CLASS STEAM LOCOS, THIS PROVED TO BE A GREAT PASSENGER HAULER LATER IN THE DAY. OWNED BY LEAL BRACK, CCSM.



ANOTHER GREAT ATTRACTION WAS THIS HEISLER " 5 AMELIA " OWNED BY SIMON BRIGGS (STANDING S.S.M.E.) THIS LITTLE 3 1/2" GAUGE ENGINE AMAZED ONLOOKERS BY THE SHEER POWER, PULLING 3 LARGE SCALE WAGONS (2 OF WHICH CAN BE SEEN IN THE BACKGROUND. OWNED BY MATTHEW MILROY (KNEELING).



LEON GETS OUT SCALE PASSENGER CARS MODELED ON EARLY DANISH STATE RAILWAYS UNITS.



INSIDE ONE OF THE DANISH PASSENGER CARS...NICE TOUCH!



CLOSE UP OF 2705 MODELED OF THE N.S.W.G.R. Z27 CLASS



THE DRIVING POSITION OF 2705



VIEW OF NO. 12 (GARRETT LOCOMOTIVE) CAB.



2705 GETS OILED IN BETWEEN RUNS



WITH THE RUNNING DAY COMPLETE VISITING AND CLUB LOCOS WAIT TO GO HOME AFTER A WONDERFUL OUTING.

THE BATHURST MINIATURE RAILWAY WOULD LIKE TO THANK SIMON, LEON, LEAL AND MATTHEW FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE SUCCESSFUL RUNNING DAY... THANKS GUYS! HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON.

WHILE OUR VISITING ENGINES GOT A LOT OF ATTENTION TODAY OUR MEMBERS LOCOS WERE PLODDING AROUND DOING THEIR JOB OF HAULING OUR PASSENGERS. AND WE'LL PROVE IT!



BOB GIVES HIS 758 ANOTHER SHOVEL FULL OF COAL KEEPING STEAM FOR THE NEXT RUN.



17 NALA WAITS ON LINE 2 (LEFT). WHILE 9201 SITS PATIENTLY BEHIND.