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## ISSUE 2

### COVER STORY: DOUGLAS TRIES HIS LOCO



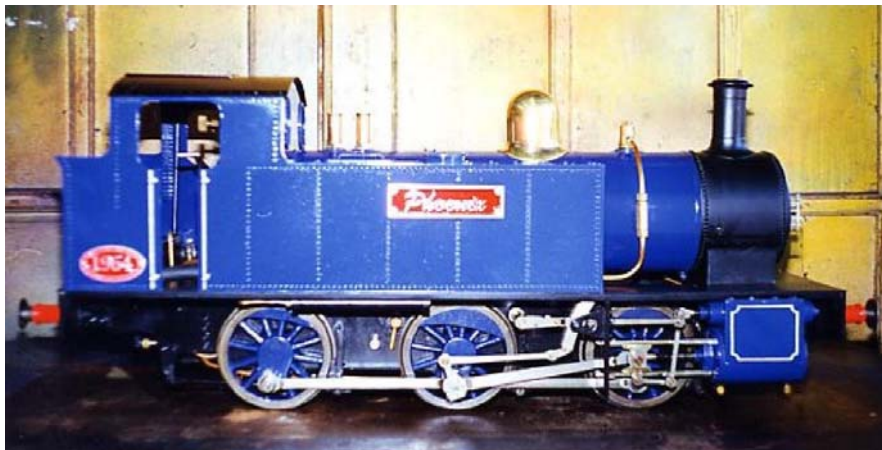
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STEVE WILLIAMS "PHOENIX". PIC: S.WILLIAMS

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## COVER STORY

**Douglas is a relatively new member of the Bathurst miniature railway society, joining in 2005. Having a love of trains and, steam in particular... Douglas wasted no time in getting familiar with driving mini steam trains and looking for one to call his very own. Recently he came across one for sale and after inspection decided that this was coming home with him.**

**The loco numbered 117, and modeled on a British dockside shunting engine had its first run in Doug's hands on our January running day (15<sup>th</sup> Jan 2006) and as he expected performed very well. After taking his time to fire it up Doug spent all day getting the feel of driving his new toy... which will hopefully be a regular sight on our rails.**



**Douglas enjoying his first run...15<sup>th</sup> January 2006..... picture P. Christian**



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### AROUND THE WORKSHOPS

**THIS ISSUE: STEVEN STUART**

Steven has been a member of the Bathurst miniature railway since late 1994.

Since completing his latest unit, a battery powered loco numbered “18 KODA”; it’s been a little quiet. The completion of number 5 passenger carriage took a few weeks of the time spare before Christmas, with the latest project being a maintenance and construction wagon equipped with generator, welder, compressor etc.....

This wagon is designed to build and repair track that is to far away from power points to run the necessary equipment. It will eventually form part of a work train with separate locomotive and crew wagon



**Wagon under construction picture by Steven Stuart.**

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### GENERAL NEWS SECTION

**JANUARY RUNNING DAY 15<sup>th</sup> January 2006**

**With a coolish day for a change, it was a great time for driving miniature locomotives. As usual in January it was a fairly quiet running day with around 80 to 100 rides taken during our hours of operation. We had a good turnout of members, totaling 7 to cope with the low passenger numbers so there was virtually no waiting.**

**Locos in operation for the day were: steam locos 588 Lizzy with 2 carriages, and number 117 running light for trials, diesel loco 796 Fay with 2 carriages, and electric loco number 7002 with driving truck and 1 passenger car. All units performed very well during the running day with no breakdowns reported.**



**7002 on January running day pic P. Christian**

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LOCOTCH PAGE: THIS ISSUE "7002"

**7002 WAS BUILT BY EX MEMBER DICK ADAMS BASED ON THE N.S.W.G.R. 70 CLASS SHUNTING LOCOMOTIVES BUILT IN THE 1960'S. THESE UNITS WERE MAINLY BASED ON THE SOUTH COAST UNTIL RETIRED IN THE 1990'S THIS UNIT HAS BEEN COMPLETELY RE-BUILT IN APRIL TO MAY 2005...**

**DETAILS:**

**LENGTH: 784 mm**

**WIDTH: 231 mm**

**HIGHT: 350 mm**

**WHEEL ARRANGEMENT: 0-6-0**

**TIME TO BUILD: 2 MONTHS FOR RECONSTRUCTION.**

**MODELED ON: NEW SOUTH WALES RAILWAYS 70 CLASS DIESEL-HYDRAULIC SHUNTING LOCOMOTIVE**



**7002 JUST AFTER A WASH AND DEGREASE, NOW SHE IS PRETTY ONCE MORE. PHOTO BY STEVEN STUART..OWNER**