Ladies & Gentlemen.....
This is -

'Just the Ticket'!



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Into the Land of Fun



"If it's not fun, then don't bother..."

reetings fellow enthusiasts of all things coarse scale O gauge and wellcome to this the 17th edition of the monthly e-newsletter, 'Just the Ticket'. As the new header says; *if it's not fun, then don't bother* and this to me seems to be a fitting bench-mark by which to conduct oneself in this supposed Land of Fun. Hopefully this is your experience. This month, there is simply so much to make mention of, it really is a challange to know just where to begin. On a purely personal note, I am utterly delighted to see that the Darstaed, Hornby inspired engine shed, (first reported in the February 2014 edition of 'Just the Ticket'), has now come into being. I well recall emails passing back and forth a few years ago with Andries Grabowsky as I presented my theory of why I felt it would be good to see something like this produced, little imagining that one day it actually would be and yet as you will read, one (or more) could be in your hands very shortly. In similar fashion I understand Rob Horton's amazing, personally designed engine shed is also on the verge of general release. In a world of turmoil and strife, we of this hobby, have much to be thankful for. In addition to these two specific projects, as you will read there is plenty else going on, so lets get going and find out what; starting with another superb reproduction!

Der Märklin-Bahnhof "Leipzig" wird wieder gebaut



Der Behnhaf "Leipzig" wird verauszichtlich im Ohteber 20 10-1027 Arthe-Nr. 2036 6 Sehnhaf Leipzig (Deutsch)

Der "Großstadtbahnhof" war von 1919 bis 1930 das Spitzenmodell im Märdin-Katalog in zwei Baugrößen: Spur Q und Spur 1. Er wurde als "Leipziger Bahnhof" berührnt und war lange der Traum vieler Spielzeug-Eisenbahner und Anlagen-Besitzer.

Der Repräsentationsbau war eine ganz besondere Leistung der "Fabrik feiner Metallspielwaren". Die unverwechselbare Architektur des Vor-bilds mit markanten Mauern und verzierten Fassaden wurde stilecht in Metall geprägt und zu einem prächtigen Kunstwerk zusammenge fügt. Die breite Auffahrt mit Freitreppe und die großaugige Empfangs halle gaben dem Bahnhof einen monumentalen Charakter. Hohe nfenster und der erhabene Mittelbau mit Kuppel. Turm und Uhr vermittelten den Eindruck einer Kathedrale. Viel Liebe hat Märldin in dieses Produkt eingebracht, aber auch hochwertige Materialien und aufwendige Handarbeit – das Ensemble war verständlicherweise sehr

Bewundem Sie die Teehnik:

- Die exakte Formgebung der Gebäudeteile
 Die feine Prägung der Fassaden und Leibungen
 Die sorgfältige und passgenaue Montage
 Die authentische Farbgebung und Lackierung
 Die realistische Darstellung des Straßenpflästers und

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teuer. In den 1920er Jahren gab es nicht viele Kunden, die sich zu Ihrer Eisenbahn auch noch diesen großartigen Hauptbahnhof leisten nten. Das Objekt der Sehnsucht wurde zur Legende.

Doch jetzt wird die Legende auferstehen und jeder, der das Meisterwerk seit langern sucht oder heute neu entdeckt, kann es sehen, erleben und sogar selbst besitzen. Denn MTH Electric Trains hat von Märklin die Lizenz erworben, den spektakulären Bahnhof aus der Firmengeschichte in der traditionellen Technik zu rekonstruieren. MTH hat jahrzehntelange Erfahrung mit historischen Spielzeugen von Lionel. American Flyer, Ives und anderen klangvollen Marken. Mit dieser Kompetenz wurde ein authentisches Replikat des "Leipziger" Bahnhofs geschaffen, das genauso fasziniert wie das Original aus de Blütezeit der großen Spielzeug-Eisenbahnen.

Entdeeken Sie die Details:

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 Das geschwungen Kuppeldach mit dem zienlichen "Türmichen".
 Die Bahnhofsuhr mit stellbaren Ziegen.
 Die detaillieren Fahrkustenschalter in der Halle
 Den Bahnsteig mit Unterführung. Wartebänken und Überdachung.
 Die Engänge au Diensträumen mit bemalten Türen und



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Hello David,

I wanted to keep you updated on our latest Tinplate Replica of the Märklin Tinplate "O" Gauge Leipzig Station. We just entered into a license agreement with Märklin and you can find our new Advertisement and box Art attached.

Mike Wolf **President MTH Electric Trains**

Below is an on-line translation of the text appearing in the featured advertisment.

The "city station" was from 1919 to 1930 the top model in the Märklin catalogue in two sizes: track 0 and track 1. It was called

"Leipziger Bahnhof" and was long the dream of many toy-railway workers and equipment owners.

The representative building was a very special performance of "factory fine metal toys". The distinctive architecture of the model with striking walls and decorated facades was stylishly embossed in metal and assembled into a beautiful work of art. The wide driveway with grand staircase and the large reception hall gave a monumental character of the station. High transom windows and the raised central block with dome, clock tower and gave the impression of a cathedral. Much love Märklin has introduced into this product, but also high-quality materials and intricate handiwork - the ensemble was understandably very expensive. In the 1920s there were not many customers, who could not even afford this magnificent railway station on the railroad. The object of desire became a legend.

But now the legend will rise and everyone who has long studied the masterpiece or rediscovered today can see it, and even have experience itself. For MTH Electric Trains Märklin acquired the license to reconstruct the spectacular train







station from the company's history and in the traditional technique. MTH has decades of experience with historic toys from Lionel, American Flyer, Ives and other sounding brands. This is an authentic replica of the "Leipzig" station, created to fascinate just as the original; from the heyday of great Toy Trains.



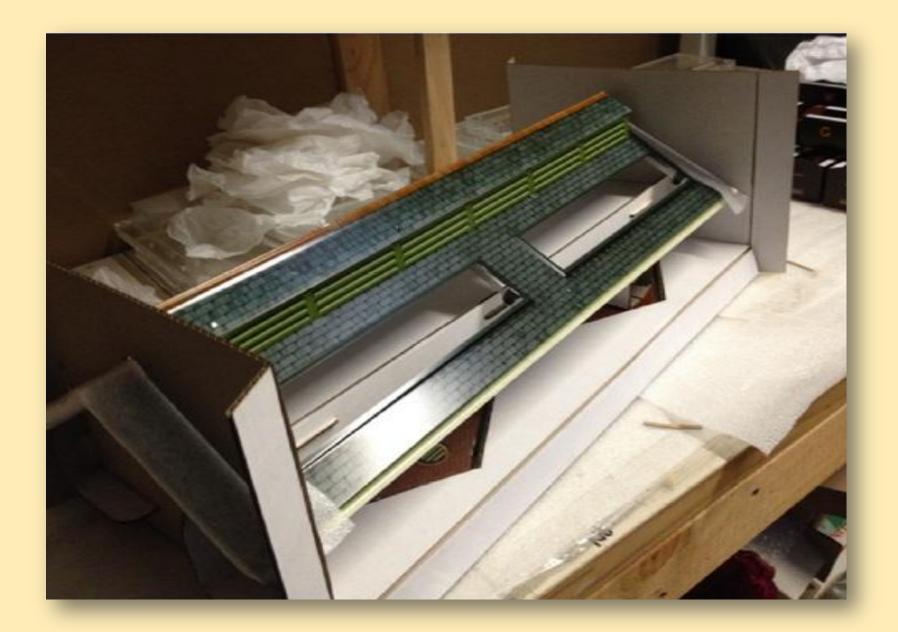


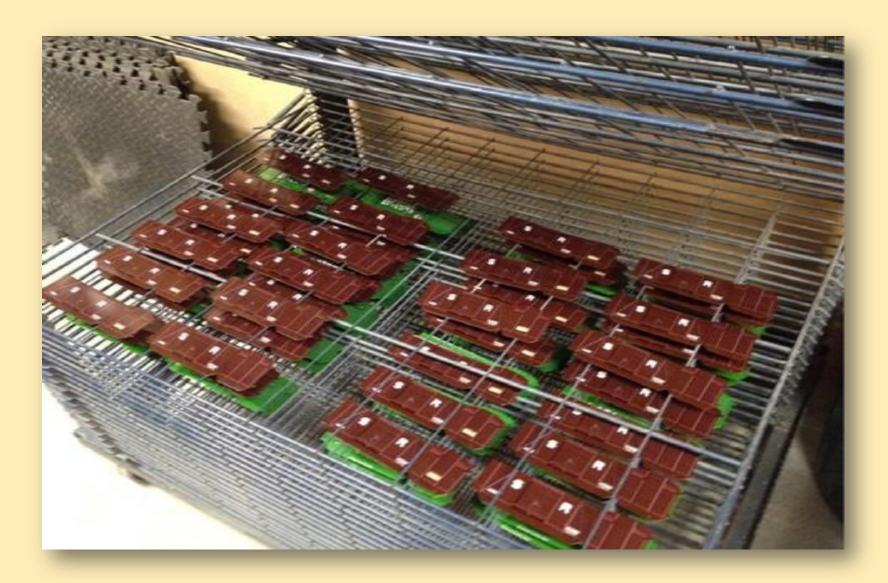


Here are the latest photographs from Rob Horton and the Wessex Transfers Workshops.



Above and below - the forthcoming Engine Shed packaging for safe transit.



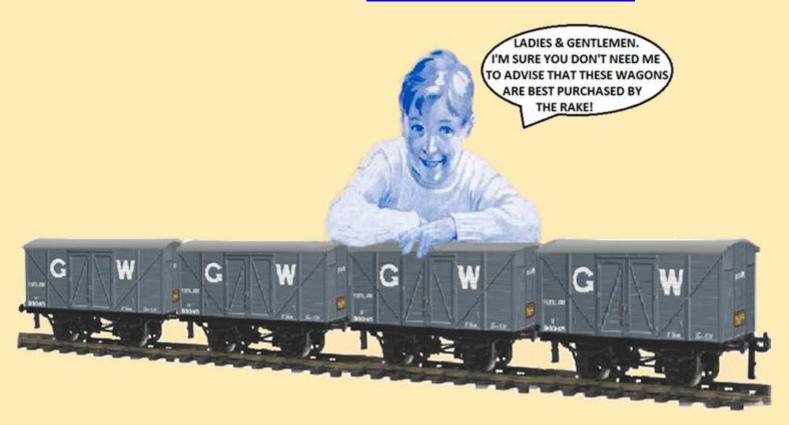


The next three photographs show goods wagons in the making; wagons, wagons, everywhere....





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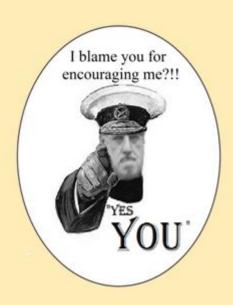






'Just the Ticket' aims to promote and enthuse about the modern coarse scale O gauge model railway scene. If you have a story to tell, a layout to show or a product which gets you excited and lends itself to this wonderful minature world, then please feel free to get in touch and you too could find your story or product freely told or promoted here! Contact details at the end of the newsletter.





And Now.....



A few weeks ago Zuzana Tomocova of ETS got in touch wondering if we might be interested in seeing one of the company's latest offering, and highly unusual it is too.



"What on earth is that"?! you may well ask. This is from the 1950's and I understand it was known as a Schi-Stra-Bus or in German, a Schiene-Strasse (road-rail) Omnibus, Class 401. Clearly the bus could operate on both road and rail, and was of a type that was experimented with in a number of countries, including Britain.



The German version was introduced in 1951 and by 1953 as many as 50 were ordered however of this 50, only 15 saw service on the rails and the rest were used exclusively on the roads.





This is the motorised model which ETS have now produced and made available.





This is the first ETS e-newsletter for 'Just the Ticket':

Dear ETS Fans

Welcome to our very first email newsletter. Our hope in starting our newsletter is to not only share news and ideas from our company but also to seek feedback from you, since your interests are essential to our plans.



The first new product we want to mention is the Schienen-Strassen-Omnibus. We introduced a prototype of the model in June at the model railroad show in Tuttlingen/Wurmlingen. Our friends at the show were very pleased with our prototype, and we plan to have production models available in September.

As you know, the omnibus was designed to operate both on roads and on railways. The Deutsche Bundesbahn ordered two of the vehicles from Nordwestdeutscher Fahrzeugbau of Wilhelmshaven in 1951, and it used them from 1953 through 1967.

Our second new item is a 'Merci Train" car available in three different colors—white, grey or brown.

The Merci Train was created in gratitude to the United States for its role in the liberation of France and for its material assistance to postwar Europe. In 1948, France sent the US a total of 49 of these freight cars filled with donations from more than six million citizens of France and Italy. Of the 49 cars, 48 went to individual states, while the last was to be shared by Washington DC and the territory of Hawaii. The cars sent were a type used for military transport during the two world wars, sometimes known as forty-and-eights because they could hold forty men or eight horses. The Merci Train cars were decorated with emblems of French counties. You can stick these emblems on your car in accordance to the original box cars. Forty-three of the cars still exist and are exhibited in public places.





In addition to individual Merci Train cars, we can supply a boxed set of three in the three different colors.







The ETS team.

In July we launched a new website (<u>www.ets.cz</u>), which we are constantly working to improve. We are also preparing an American version of the website, which will be available in late August. We hope you like our new website designs, and we look forward to your comments and suggestions.

You can also find news about ETS on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/etsprague.

We hope you have had a great summer, and we look forward to seeing many of you in person at upcoming shows.



Your ETS Team







What's New for September?

The Terrier-fest continues!

Terrier A1 – LSWR No. 734 – Imminent Arrival

I have just received notification that the final Terrier shipment is leaving Prague on 8th September – sp will arrive just in time for the Toy Fair at Sandown on 13th September. I have sold my entire allocation and will be in touch with everyone that has ordered one as soon as delivery is confirmed. Of course you will be most welcome to collect at Sandown if you are planning on attending.

Again priced at just £299.00 each plus £11.00 p&p, this is another limited edition of just 20 locos commissioned by, and available exclusively from **WJVintage** and **RAYLO**.



Note: If you are interested in this Terrier but have not pre-ordered do try Colin at Raylo as I believe he may still have one or two unallocated

The End of the Line

Once the LSWR Terrier has been delivered that will be the end of the Terrier adventure and will signal that it is time to move into new areas (namely the GWR Railcar).

I have thoroughly enjoyed the Terrier project and I would like to thank all of you that have supported the venture. I have been to many shows now and seen your little Terriers eagerly hauling all manner of wagons and carriages. Like the real loco I guess, they seem very capable at hauling well above what you might expect for such a small loco, but they seem to do it with ease and as smooth as you like. I hope you all enjoy your Terriers for many years to come!

GWR Diesel Railcar update

Due to a delay at one of ETS' sub-contracted suppliers we have to advise that unfortunately the Railcars will now be delayed by around 2 to 3 weeks and will not therefore be available until the end of September at the earliest. We will be in touch with all customers that have pre-ordered to confirm as soon as we have a firm delivery date.

Thanks for your patience – we are sure it will be worth it!





Railcar Prices

The Passenger Railcar, which as noted above will feature seating and interior lighting, will be priced at £450.00 plus p&p.

GWR Choc/Cream, BR Carmine/Cream, BR Green
The Parcels Railcar will be priced at £430.00 plus p&p.
GWR Choc/Cream, BR Carmine

Calling all 'Grahams' – or should that be 'Mr Graham'?

Just over a year ago I was lucky enough to be at the Brighton Toy Museum for one of their special running days. During the course of the day I was shown a photograph of a tank wagon in a book which for some reason took my fancy. Whilst there was no photocopier to hand, I did have my camera and I was able to photograph the relevant page and some of the details given in the text.

With all the Milk tank activity of recent months, this one has been patiently awaiting its turn and also awaiting a new mould for the twin filler caps fitted to this particular tank.

But now the wait is nearly over and I am pleased to announce my next tank wagon will be a 4-wheel tank with twin fillers and branded 'Graham's Golden Lager'



The colour scheme was a bit of a guess but as the tank wagon was owned by Allsopps, whose wagons were all green, this seemed like the likely base colour. Grahams Golden Lager beer mats back in the day were largely red and cream so I arrived at the scheme shown below, which looks to fit with the black and white image above.



You may be interested to know that Graham's Golden Lager was brewed in Allsopp's Arrol Brewery in Alloa. The lager had its name changed in 1959 to the more international/European sounding Skol, a brand which is still available today. In fact Skol lager is currently the No.1 beer brand in Brazil, yet in the UK it is hardly ever seen these days!

W.J.Vintage Exclusive

Only 40 pieces of this tank wagon are going to be produced and they will be available only from **WJVintage**. Delivery should be before the end of September. Final pricing is not yet confirmed but I would suggest in the order of **£45.00** each (hopefully a little less) plus P&P – **to be confirmed**



If you are a user of social media why not look up **WJVintage** on **facebook**Remember news breaks first on our **facebook** page so if you want to be amongst the first to see what's new, join up and 'like' the **WJVintage** page.

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Darstaed Newsletter No. 36 September 2014

Gentlemen,

The first Engine Shed's have landed in the UK; now well in time for the opening of the season at Rugby.





The first container has been delayed for a few days due to the Moon Festival but will leave this week. This production has been very fruitful as a number of new subcontractors have been engaged, notably screen printing, pad stamping and etching. As a manufacturer is only as good as its subcontractors, we always endeavour to add to the arsenal of reliable suppliers.

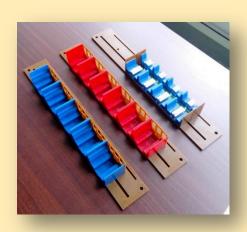




The month of August also saw the printing of the official HRCAA anniversary Advans and the trial of the CC (Corridor Coach) printing. Regarding the latter the tooling is finished for the interiors except anodising to take the shine off. The interiors are made in such a manner that they are versatile and can be used for any coach interior arrangement. Also can be seen (next page), the interiors of the Dining Cars that will feature a lit lamp with lampshade on each table like our Pullman cars.









Once next week the decks are cleared we will proceed with the 6Ws, another batch of passenger stock and batch No 2 of the goods wagons and by the end of the month we should be making the CCs until the end of 2016, interspersed with BR and MET Pullmans, BR and cream/chocolate Brighton Belles and the long overdue Night Ferry.

In the meantime we will be preparing for a batch of 6W "Stoves" in many liveries.











We have placed the orders for the materials of the A4s and the A1 Tornados so production should start hopefully next month.

RIGHT: New A4 tooling

Enjoy your trains!

Cheers,

Andries



Vintage Trains





Like millions of other users and businesses around the world, earlier in the year Darstaed created their own facebook presence which is now being used to bring you updates about ongoing projects as they happen. To find out more you can visit the company on the following link: https://www.facebook.com/Darstaed

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Hello Readers,

August is usually the month when we start receiving new models in time for the run up towards Christmas and this year has been no different.

The next 16 liveries of Horton Series vans will be here by the time you read this and I will have been busy checking they are all in perfect condition after their long journey from Australia, also included in the delivery is another batch of Robertsons Golden Shred, Lyons Swiss Rolls and Standard Fireworks that have sold out.









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Darstaed are sending the first delivery of both their new single and double Engine Sheds; hopefully in time for the Sandown Park event on the 13th September, this is the first building they have made since moving to the new factory at the beginning of the year and if the engine sheds are just half as popular as the 6 wheeled coaches and vans have been I think I will be placing more orders very soon. Now that Andries has overcome his medical problems Darstaed are showing encouraging signs of catching up on the announced models that were delayed by his hospitalisation.

PLACE YOUR ORDER NOW!





NEW ENGINE SHED



Length: 350mm (13.8 inch)

Width: 125mm (5 inch) Height: 210mm (8.2 inch)

- * Fully Assemble
- * Double doors on both ends
- * Printed acrylic windows
- * Interior Details and illumination



ES 2 Double Track

Length: 350mm (13.8 inch) Width: 231mm (9 inch) Height: 232mm (9.1 inch)

- * Tin printing inspired by Hornby original sheds.
- *Add an extensionfor tender locos of all known types and makes.
- * ES 2 Fits a Hornby parallel track or a 0-54 switch with a counter 0-54 curve.



Detailed Interior



Extensions ES 1E & ES 2E

- * Length with extension: 700mm (27.5 inch)
- * Extention: available for both Single and Double track versions.
- * Suitable for Tender loco's of all known types and make.
- * Parallel extensions available on request.









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The old web site will continue to be updated on a regular basis until the new one is ready. All the best,

Colin





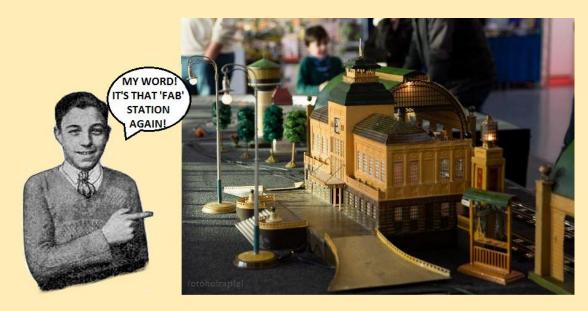
'Jt7's' Mailbag



Dear David

Thank's for JtT. Very well done. Attached you will find some pictures from the Live steam Event 2014 in Karlsruhe. The next event is in January 2015, I attach a flyer.

Kind regards from Switzerland Michel









Notice how the young children are so engrossed they won't stand still to be photographed!



Hi David,

Once again a superb job done with this edition of the JtT!

I would like to do some article for the next editions speaking of postwar 0 gauge Swiss models, are you interested?

First will be about RE 4/4 I, with comparison of Hag and Keiser models (the two here on the right)



And the second about Keiser shunter's, Te 2/2 and Ee 3/3 made in 1956-1957



Is this ok for you?
Vincent Bory

Of course & thank you Vincent! Ed

NRM official: 1861. 14yr old Fanny Johnson, the worlds first trainspotter.



World War 1 Remembered



It is now September 1914. First reinforcements from Britain had brought desperately needed relief to the exhausted men of the British Expeditionary Force and in a frantic effort to prevent the German advance on Paris, the whole of France is mobilised into action and men are equipped and moved up to the front by any means available, most notably the entire fleet of Parisian taxis, and what would become known as the Battle of the Marne would be opened during the first week of the month, lasting for approximately a week.



By mid September, the German advance had not only been halted, but an actual German retreat was taking place and an alarmed German high command dispensed with its mentally shattered commander, Moltke who had already formed the opinion the war was lost. He was replaced by General Eric Von Falenhayn (right).

At the same time Allied and German troops were engaged in what became known as 'the race to sea' as both sides tried to outflank each other and by the 15th September, the first trenches were being dug as both sides recognised they could not easily advance any further. Somewhere in the order of one million men had already fallen victim to the war in one degree or another.





All over the country there are countless similar scenes taking place on railway

platforms around the country.





Featured You Tube "uploads:

Thanks to Graeme on The Classic O Gauge Forum, my attention was drawn to a series of highly watchable YouTube uploads from Australia which have recently been uploaded. The first to be highlighted was a remarkable conversion of a Hornby double bogie coach which becomes a working Travelling Post Office van, and what a job has been made of it!

Another which caught my eye was one showing the ingenious way bridges have been created around the layout concerned, which can be remotely lifted – track and all, to permit easy access to the interior of the large layout. See what you think.

The bridges upload can be viewed **HERE**.





The TPO upload can be seen **HERE**.

Keeping in touch.



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