

Darstaed Newsletter No. 42 March 2015

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Gentlemen,

Welcome to our DArstaed newsletter no 42 March 2015

As of today, March 1<sup>st</sup>, China is opening again for business although staff and workers who's hometown is more than a day travel away will come back next week after Lantern Festival that heralds officially the end of the New Year festivities.

Likewise our own holidays are over and we will travel back to China to resume production.

Unfortunately we have not been able to ship all the CCs (Corridor Coaches) Sets A before Chinese new year due to airport congestion. We are located in Xiamen which has only a small airport so we were obliged to truck our shipment 850 Miles down the road to Shenzen to catch a flight from Hong Kong. As we had promised the CCs would be available at Sandown and they were.



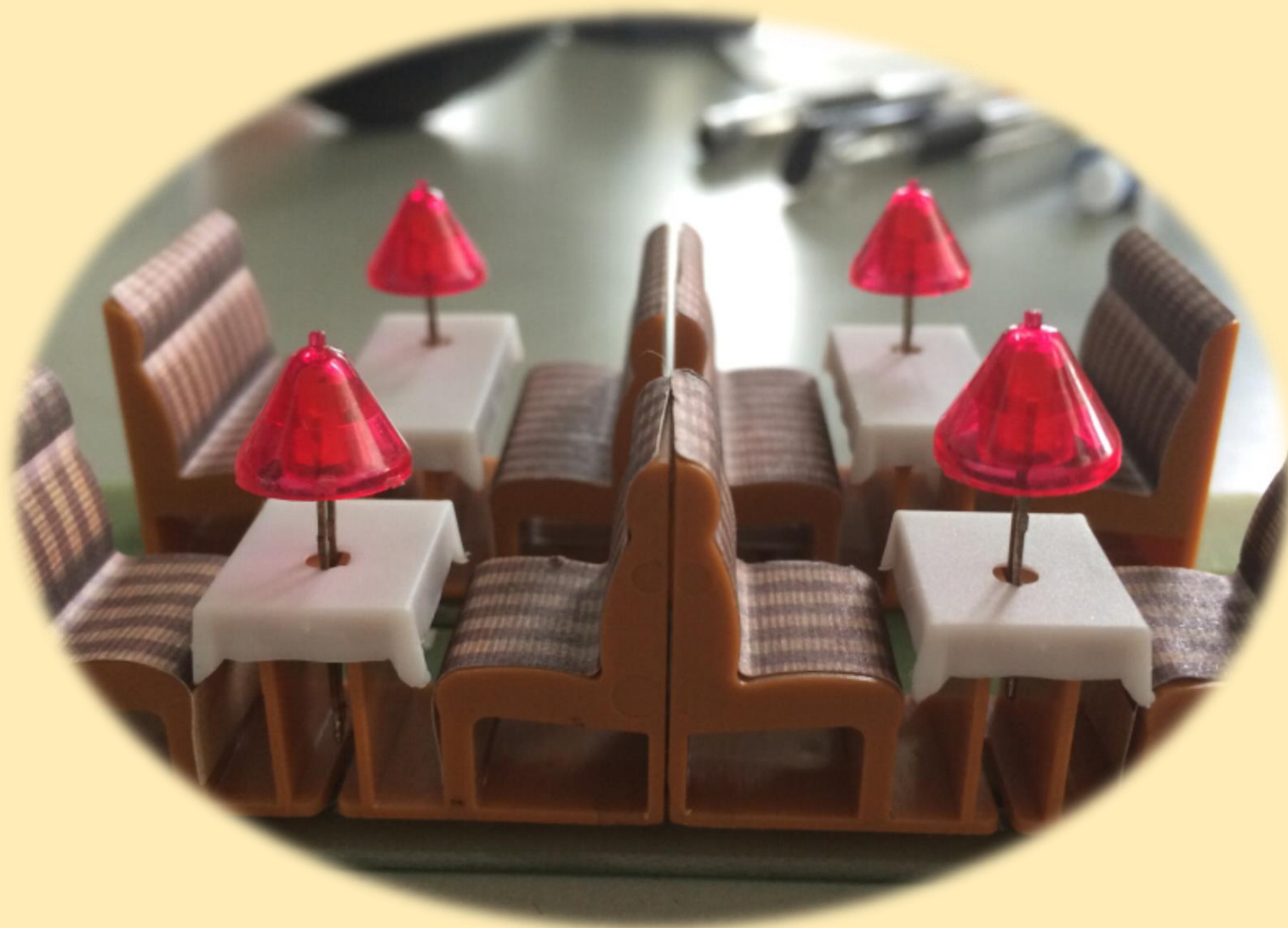
Sandown – February 14<sup>th</sup>

*12 Wheel Dining Car was on show*





*Dining Car interior with table cloths.*



# 12 Wheel BR ( Ex LMS I ) – Dining Car



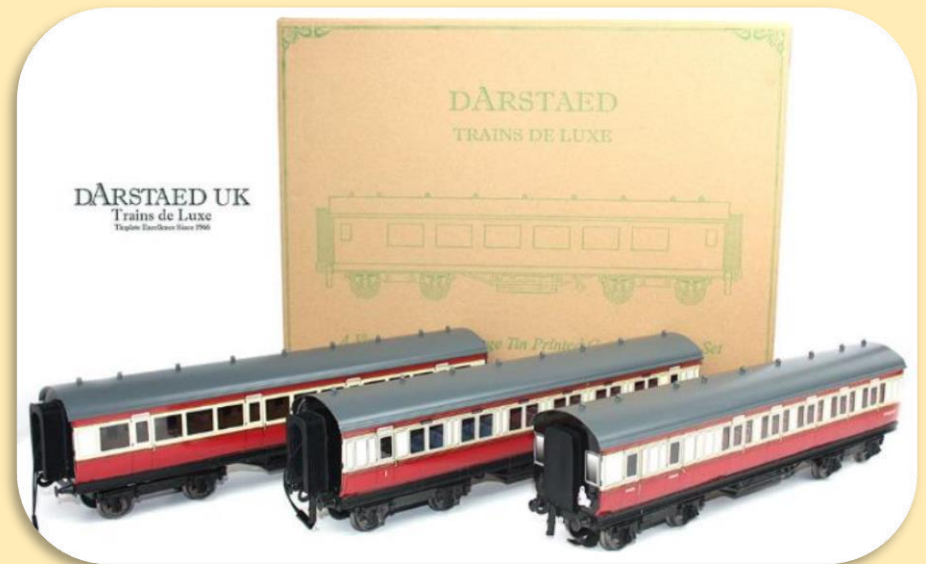
DARSTAED UK  
Trains de Luxe  
Tinplate Excellence Since 1966

The program will now resume unabated with the Sets B and Sets C of LMS period I, LMS period II and the corresponding BR versions in carmine/cream and maroon. Set B will include the 12W diner and Set C two 12 W sleepers. The composition of Set C has been changed due to popular demand including two 12W sleepers instead of one , the single coach available initially will be the Full Brake that also can be used in other trains like a milk train. Set B will be available this month March and Set C in April.

Although in the coming week we will have shipped out all the 50 Sets A of each of the first four liveries we have enough parts left to make any quantity required for our customers in the USA assuming that if they wish to order Sets A, B and C together to save on the shipping costs we are able to supply at a later date.



*LMS Period I – Set A*



*BR ( Ex LMS Period I ) – Set A*



At the next Sandown we will launch GWR and BR ex-GWR in carmine/cream for all those Castles that need to run in suitable company.

Details of our program can be viewed @ : [http://www.darstaed.com/products\\_b004.html](http://www.darstaed.com/products_b004.html)



*GWR Top Light – First Class Coach*

Darstaed UK Ltd is now fully up and running catering for customers all over the world and servicing their Darstaed UK Premier Dealer network. Dave and his team are getting around the country at various HRCA meets and all of the Barry Potter toy fairs and on March 14th/15th they will be at the 'MIDLANDS GARDEN RAIL SHOW' at the Warwickshire exhibition centre. Check out the exhibition page on their website for a full list of shows they will be attending.





Their new website is now live [www.darstaed.co.uk](http://www.darstaed.co.uk) and all available stock is there to be purchased. You will find a full list of A4 variations to pre-order as well as other new products. NON EU customers can enjoy VAT free shopping, I know our friends in the USA and elsewhere outside the EU have been waiting a little while for this.

They have also appointed Paul Lumsdon of WJ Vintage as a new Premier Dealer. We are delighted to have Paul on board as he has a loyal following and a keen interest in the hobby.

Going forward Dave and myself are working very hard with our respective teams to develop exciting new products for 2015/16 so watch this space and look out for Darstaed UK adverts in numerous publications over the next few months. Look out for 'Club Darstaed' coming soon with a huge indoor layout and fortnightly meetings available to all O Gauge enthusiasts to attend.

The screenshot shows the Darstaed UK website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Darstaed UK', 'Contact Us', 'News', and 'Premier Dealers', and a cart icon showing '0 item(s)'. Below the navigation is a search bar with the text 'Search our products'. The main header features the 'DARSTAED UK Trains de Luxe Tinplate Excellence Since 1966' logo. A welcome message reads 'Welcome to Darstaed.co.uk the home of beautiful O Gauge'. Below this is a grid of six images showing various model trains and sheds. The page is divided into 'Categories' and 'Products' sections. The 'Categories' section lists: Engine Sheds, Corridor Coach Sets, 6 Wheel Coach Sets, 6 Wheel Goods Vans, 6 Wheel Full Brakes, Ad Vans, PRE-ORDER Corridor Coach Set A, PRE-ORDER Corridor Coach Set B, PRE-ORDER Corridor Coach Set C, Pre Order A4 PACIFIC, and Pre Order WARSHIPS. The 'Products' section displays three items: 'DARSTAED ES1 Single Track Engine Shed' for £145.00, 'DARSTAED BR Carmine & Cream (ex LMS 1) Mainline Coaches Set A' for £275.00, and 'DARSTAED ES2 Double Track Engine Shed' for £175.00. Each product has an 'Add to Cart' button.

*New Website of Darstaed UK*  
[www.darstaed.co.uk](http://www.darstaed.co.uk)

Regarding the A4s we will close our order book on March 31<sup>st</sup> as at that time we will start with the decoration of the locos on order and we have to know exact quantities in all combinations of corridor tender or non-corridor, double/single chimneys, valances or not etc. Any future production will have less names and finish and probably a higher RRP. Therefore if you wish to have a name or finish that you wish for in particular it is advisable that you place your order with one of our dealers.

We have good news from our premier dealer Mr. Neil Bailey. As a Master Carpenter and fitter he fell victim last year of the slow down in housing construction and decided to pick up his second calling as a train dealer. However now the construction business is picking up again he has decided to get his old job back. We have worked very well with Neil and wish him good fortune in all his endeavors.

All his customers will now be supplied directly by Darstaed UK if they wish.

Enjoy your trains,

Cheers,  
*Andries*



*Vintage Trains*



# Premier Dealers

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*"We are now the proud distribution agent and factory warehouse for all Darstaeds products in the UK. As well as servicing our UK dealer network we are happy to supply customers directly via [www.darstaed.co.uk](http://www.darstaed.co.uk) or by phone. For customers outside the EU we will deduct 20% VAT."*

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## **UK - London & South East**

### **Bruce Coleman**

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*"I normally have most models in stock, both current and out of production. Will split sets of coaches and wagons, depending on stock position. All postage by secure courier."*

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## **UK - North & Scotland**

### **Chris Reeve**

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*"I regularly visit HRCA meetings and other events in Scotland and the borders with an extensive display of all available products"*

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## **UK - Midlands**

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*"I am happy to bring your purchase to any toy fair or exhibition I attend for you to collect in person or alternatively by post or courier as required"*

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*"My name is Dave Barnicoat and for 24 years I have dealt with some of the most exciting vintage O gauge in the world and I have been lucky enough to help build some stunning O gauge layouts. Always buying your unwanted O gauge."*

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*"I have been in the Collectable Toy business since 1990 and specializing in O gauge since 2011. Check out my ever expanding product offering either online or at one of the many UK shows I attend. Happy to ship worldwide."*

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**Benelux**  
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