

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary

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Video Diary For 2014 (Date Order)



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 2014-02-23 2D

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Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 2014-03-08 2D

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Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 2014-03-08 2D Bullocky

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This video is an extended version showing a cross section of exhibits and activities; all relate to the past, while some are not necessarily focused on the use of steam power. Includes: Paringa Archery, sword fighting - Order of the Dragon's Realm medieval demonstration, tractor pulling, whip cracking, vintage tractors, steam traction engines, steam train, bullock team, and grand parade on both Saturday and Sunday.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 2014-03-10 2D

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xbk3ezkD-cM>

On Monday 10th March 2014, we visited The Wee Georgie Wood Steam Railway, Tullah, Tasmania, with our two grandchildren.

This preservation railway commenced operations in 1987 utilising some 1.8 kilometres of 610mm gauge track and the restored 1924 Wee Georgie Wood locomotive and rolling stock of that era from other West Coast tramways.

It is based on part of the former North Mount Farrell Tramway and operates as a heritage/ tourist attraction for the people of Tullah and surrounding areas and visitors to the West Coast.

The original tramway was the only means of transport for the mine and its people from 1902 until roads were built to the Tullah area in 1961.

This video includes snippets of the steam locomotive in action taken from the ground and from on board the front platform of the train's single carriage.

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For more details: <http://www.weegeorgiewood.com.au/>



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 2014-03-11 2D

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=muQ1z7tYtvQ>

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Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 2014-03-11 2D

West Coast Wilderness Railway, Tasmania, Australia.

On Tuesday 11th March 2014, we joined fellow tourists and train enthusiasts on the West Coast Wilderness, narrow gauge, Abt train from Queenstown Railway Station, Tasmania, to Dubbil Barril Railway Station, Tasmania, and return.

This video contains snippets of the journey, both on and off train.

Technical and tourist information is available via: <http://www.wcwr.com.au/>



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Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 2014-03-14 2D

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p7VkT1em8H0>

On Friday 14th March 2014, we visited the Don River Railway Museum with our two grandchildren.

We have visited the museum previously and have participated in a number of Don River Railway's main line and private line train trips in past years, during which I recorded video on VHS tape and have since uploaded to YouTube - these uploaded videos are listed far below. Unfortunately, main line enthusiast's train trips are unavailable in Tasmania at the present time and for the foreseeable future. Nevertheless, I'm hopeful that this may change.

The Don River Railway is a volunteer run vintage, narrow gauge, railway and museum in Don, a suburb of Devonport, Tasmania. It runs a short train ride from Don to Coles Beach using part of the former Don River Line that ran between Don Junction and Palooka.

This video includes video snippets of a railcar trip to Coles Beach and return, and some photos of the museum, equipment and railway stock.

See also...

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1989-10-21 (Burnie to Rosebury on Emu Bay Railway lines.)

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1989-10-22 (Burnie to Wiltshire and return.)

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1991-01-20 (Devonport depot to Coles Beach and return.)

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1991-11-01 (Devonport to Launceston and Launceston to Hobart.)

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1991-11-03 (Hobart to National Park and Hobart to Launceston.)

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1991-11-05 (Launceston to Burnie.)

Don River Railway Museum - www.donriverrailway.com.au/



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 2014-05-14 2D

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hZHzo8RPOFo>

On Wednesday 14th May 2014, as a family treat, we flew from Adelaide, South Australia, to Melbourne, Victoria, for the day and travelled to Belgrave to have a ride on "Puffing Billy".

"Puffing Billy" is a preserved narrow gauge (2' 6") heritage train in the Dandenong Ranges near Melbourne.

This video contains snippets of the train trip from Belgrave to Lakeside (Emerald Lake) and return. The video comprises a combination of shots taken with a Sony Handicam and a GoPro camera.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 2014-05-22 2D

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QBX4rn_NSgM

On Thursday May 22nd 2014, we drove along the Denial Bay Road, South Australia, in the hope of seeing the mineral train that conveys gypsum from the Kevin Gypsum Mine on Eyre Peninsula (near Penong, South Australia) to Thevenard, South Australia.

This brief video contains snippets of the empty train found running from Thevenard toward Kevin. The train with a consist of 44 wagons was hauled by Genesee & Wyoming Australia diesel locomotives 1601 and 873.

Additional details about the train are included in the following extract taken from Peter Knife's "Peninsula Pioneer" website (<http://www.minnipa.au.com/peninsula-pioneer/railfan.html>): "The only regular year-round operations on Eyre Peninsula are the gypsum trains between Thevenard and Kevin. This is an impressive 'conveyor belt' working, with one set of locomotives and wagons making three round trips per day, usually five or six days a week. The trains are typically hauled by three locomotives and consist of a solid set of ENH and ENHA wagons. Train lengths vary, but are usually around 50 wagons. A balloon loop at Thevenard and a triangle at Kevin mean that the same locomotive leads all day."

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Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 2014-07-10 2D

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HxbQ9fIVfcg>

Adelaide Metro Bus, Tram and Train, South Australia.

On Thursday 10th July 2014, three generations decided to catch the Adelaide O-Bahn from the Tea Tree Plaza Interchange to Grenfell Street, walk to the Adelaide Railway Station and catch an electric train to Seaford and return.

This video clip captures snippets of the trip as far as the Brighton Railway Station where the camera battery became fully discharged.



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The museum, between Saturday 12th July and Sunday 20th July 2014, is running its school holiday program 'Circus Train comes to the Port'.

This video clip captures snippets of activities at the museum.



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