

Sydney Special Children's Christmas Party

On Wednesday the 1st of December a dull, wet and gloomy day in Sydney our P Class worked a special train to Sydney's Rosehill Racecourse.

The train organised by 3801 Limited and run jointly by LVR and 3801 Ltd crews took children to a Christmas Party at Rosehill Racecourse.

The train being well over the load for the P was run as a push pull service with the aid of 3801 Limited and one of their Diesels



Despite the weather our faithful photographer Andrew Coble who covers many of our tours was able to capture these photos on the approaches to Rosehill the larger photo sees one of the LVR's regular volunteer Enginemen Tony Healy at the regulator checking the road ahead.

Luke's Christmas Train

Regular LVR volunteer Liam Brundle was on hand to help with preparation and running of Luke's Christmas Train and was able to capture these two photos of 4701 and 4716 in Sutherlands Siding at Cootamundra and the second at Coolamon as our train is readied for the return journey to Cootamundra



2011 Tours

Our 2011 program of tours is about to commence and the confirmed tours and those that are proposed are on the "Ride Our Trains" page of this website.

To start the year off we have a couple of four day trips with our railmotors coming up.

We need the help of our volunteers to run these tours in the form of Fitters, Carriage Attendants, Drivers and Guards.

By the time you add in the preparation, departure and arrival days, it may require you to be away from home for six days.

Please contact Gavin Knowles by telephone on 6342 4999 or via email at member@lvr.com.au

With regard to tours if anyone has any ideas for tours please forward them to the LVR at member@lvr.com.au a fair amount of planning needs to go into a tour checking out everything from accommodation to stabling locations plus a sundry of other things including timetabling, so a suggestion today may be a tour that we can be planning for later this year or into next year.

Gallery Photos

Recently one of the photos in the "Gallery" under the name of the "Unknown Photographer" was identified the photo showed 3237 light engine at Newcastle Station it is part of a website that shows the photography of the Boulton Family.

The Gallery of photos shows not only our own locos but also many more taken on family days out, as Stan Boulton explained.

The interest in both photography and railways has carried on for Stan, now a Professional Photographer and judging by the photos a fairly good interest in today's historical railways and events as well.

The LVR is grateful to Stan Boulton for allowing us to access his family's images and also for the advice about our own gallery that has already seen some changes made and will hopefully see some more as time permits.

The link to the gallery is as follows <http://www.pbase.com/stanb/historic> have a look at it and enjoy as an aside Stan also sent me a direct link to a photo in the Gallery of 3237 at Enfield a far cry from today – 3237 a few months after withdrawal <http://www.pbase.com/stanb/image/131509371> again worth a look.

That's the news for now I am working on a another edition of Cowra Loco News an it should hopefully be out sometime in March.

Rob Lougher