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DETAILING A 'SCHOOLS' — PETROL INSPECTION CAR
LAYOUT WIRING DATA — LINESIDE COMMUNICATIONS
PLATFORM VEHICLES — LOCO BUILDING PROJECT



Manning Wardle 0-6-0ST
7mm/ft scale by David Hadfield.
Photo above and on cover by Brian Monaghan.

IN THE SHADOWS OF CHAMPIONS

Competition improves the breed, so it is said, and the standard of two recent crops of models entered for judges' scrutiny undoubtedly supports this statement. It is not only a matter of improving on the efforts of those who entertain competition, when this intention will sharpen self-criticism, because the influence that a selection of good models can have on the viewing modelling public is considerable. Note how interest quickens when you come across an exquisitely made piece of work which proves that you have been tackling the same problem the wrong way round. If you are of strong stuff, the sight of all your rough attempts on returning home will not deter you from making another, in the light of a better man's effort.

Bamburgh, seen above and on the cover, is the sort of model which could make you weep with frustration or whip you to a new determination. Both reactions are good for the soul and for modelling.

It probably took Manning Wardle a couple of months to complete No 1394 of 1898 which the North Sunderland Railway proudly christened *Bamburgh* when it took delivery. It took David Hadfield eight and a half years to build his 7mm/1 ft scale version, this year's Manchester Model Railway Society Championship Cup winner.

The model, essentially David's work, is a good example of the traditional co-operation between modellers as Jim Lloyd, the late F. A. Nutter, Arthur Peake, Sydney Stubbs, W. H.

(Bill) Tate and Alan Wright must all be mentioned, for without their kind contribution modelling such a tiny prototype would not have been possible.

It is intended that the engine shall operate on Bill Tate's North Sunderland Railway branch (where else?) and consequently although built for split-axle, two-rail operation facilities are also provided for outside-third collection. Possibly unique for a model built and exhibited in 1974.

The construction of a model of this type is naturally a long job but as this was David's first scratch-built effort (apart from a set of traffic lights) the desired standard could only be achieved by ruthlessly scrapping every part which fell short and restarting. For example, to obtain quieter running the original commercial motor had to be scrapped and a purpose-built unit, virtually machined from solid, substituted.

As and when David can unload construction of open 'Manchester Scale' trams ($\frac{3}{8}$ in./1 ft) on to Jim Lloyd and other unsuspecting friends, full details of *Bamburgh's* construction and the problems encountered will be reported in MODEL RAILWAYS.

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Class B—Locos in Gauge O and 1

J. S. Bremner	LB&SCR 'Terrier'
J. Brierley	LNCR Cl 'A3' Papyrus
F. E. Hemming	GW 0-4-0 Dock Tank No 1103

Class BA—Locos smaller than O gauge

M. J. Smith	GWR King George V
C. J. Verdon	
H. R. Heng	Ex-LB&SCR Cl 'I-3'
J. Brierley	SR Cl 'Z' 0-8-0T

Class C—Rolling stock Gauge O or larger

A. Burn	Mineral wagon, $7\frac{1}{2}$ ins gauge
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MODEL RAILWAYS BOWL

and Silver Medal.
H. C. Wheat Challenge Cup and Silver Medal.
Very Highly Commended.

Silver Medal
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Highly Commended
Commended

Bronze Medal

MANCHESTER MODEL RAILWAY SOCIETY EXHIBITION AWARDS 1974

Championship Cup

Bolton Trophy
Pochin Cup
Horn Award

Nuttall Cup
Oakley Tram Award

Harold Elliot Challenge Cup
Visitors Cup

Young Award
Buchanan Award

Diplomas award to:

D. W. Hadfield. North Sunderland Railway 0-6-0ST *Bamburgh*.

Richard Chown. 'Castle Rackrent' layout

C. M. Shoultz. LNCR class 'O4' 2-8-0

Geoffrey Ainsworth. Group of six GWR wagons.

J. Stoker. Group of GWR signals.

David Getgood. London United Tramways water car.

Geoffrey Ainsworth. GWR 'Star' 4-6-0. Blackburn and East Lancs Model Railway Society. 'Witton Midland'.

Walter Bentley. Ex-L&YR class 'A' 0-6-0.

Howard Bowcott. Lynton & Barnstaple Loco Shed, L&NWR Lineside hut, group of figures, etc.

Alan Wright. 'Alanbruck and Stefanhiem Railway'.

Ken Davis. D&RGW Caboose.

David Jackson. Class '3F' 0-6-0T No. 7347.

Ross Pochin. Group of Furness Railway wagons.

Ian Murray. Unfinished rebuilt—*Royal Scot*.



Photo: Brian Monaghan

The Picture of the Year

If we could assemble all the modelling pictures through which we have sorted over the years with publication in mind the resultant pile would indeed be formidable. Just what is needed to justify publishing a print is difficult to put down in words but, the straight record apart, the successful picture should be able to tell a story on its own.

We cannot recall one picture which so clearly illustrates the outlook of the true model railway craftsman as the view above of David Hadfield's *Bamburgh*, that was. For just why we accord it the title The Picture Of The Year you must read next month's issue of **MODEL RAILWAYS. You will not be disappointed.**