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## Newsletter January 2017

Hi Folks,

Wishing members and their families all the best for 2017, compliments of the season, and a happy, healthy and safe New Year to all.

Our November meeting was well attended, with members of the public attending too. See article and pics on Page 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this newsletter for the Rod Guérin Annual Diorama competition.

Our thanks to Noreen Perryman from AutoDealer, for the interest shown, and for the recent article and pics of entrants and their models entered for the Rod Guérin Annual Diorama competition. See Autodealer article on Page 2.

Once again our sincere thanks to the VCC committee who have again kindly agreed to our use of their facilities for 2017 and at the same cost as 2016. So this year's VCC rental is R2100.00 pa, and this means our subs stay the same as well. viz: the annual subscriptions for NDMC membership in 2017 will be R150-00, and are due now.

Subs for Country members will be R80.00 pa and the visitor's fee is R35.00.

Most members I've spoken to are happy with our venue and facilities at the VCC, but if members wish, we can discuss alternatives to this VCC rental fee at our meeting.

viz Possibly an alternate venue, reduce the number of meetings etc. Thanks to Chris Brown for his continued liaison with the VCC committee.

### The dates for our 2017 meetings are as follows:

30 <sup>th</sup> January	27 <sup>th</sup> March	29 <sup>th</sup> May
31 <sup>st</sup> July	26 <sup>th</sup> September (Tuesday)	27 <sup>th</sup> November

Note: Normally we meet on a Monday unless that day is a public holiday - in which case we meet on the next day Tuesday

Richard Hebbbron says that Hobbies Fairs will be held as follows in 2017:

14<sup>th</sup> April in Pietermaritzburg - 15<sup>th</sup> April at Escombe Moth Hall and 16<sup>th</sup> April in Inchanga

Richard will give us further details at our meeting, and members can display and / or sell models as well.

His contact Nos are at the end of this newsletter, and once arrangements are confirmed and finalised, he will try and keep the costs the same as previously - i.e. tables are free if you display, and R100.00 for sellers.

There will be Dinky, Matchbox and Corgi models for sale by Closed Auction at our January meeting. Ian Sutherland will also have car and model books for sale by open auction. Note: Only paid up members can take part in both these auctions.

See you at the next meeting,

Keep collecting

*Philip*

## **NDMC Rod Guérin Annual Diorama Competition**

The theme for this year's Diorama competition was "The End of the Line" - and it was very pleasing that for 2016 there were 5 entries. This theme is meant to give all the entrants a wide opportunity to express themselves, and as before, the theme was interpreted differently and uniquely by each entrant.

Thanks to the judges Alie Getkate, Mike Serrurier, and Terry Morgan who said that once again the entries were of a very high standard.

Rowan Sear was awarded the Floating Trophy for first place - and also the prize for Diorama of the meeting - for his Diorama "The Mini Mark I". Kevin Taylor was awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> place for his Diorama "Scrap yard", Richard Hebbroon took 3<sup>rd</sup> place for his diorama "Bloemfontein Line" and Neville Geddes was placed 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> for his Diorama's "Land Rover" and "Scrap Yard".

Cedric Getkate was also awarded the Geoff Sear Annual Enthusiast of the Year Floating Trophy - this trophy is voted for by NDMC members only.

Anne Geddes (Neville's wife) presented the prizes and floating trophies to the winners.

### **Article on the Diorama competition as written by Noreen Perryman and published in Autodealer on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2017.**

#### **Intricate Detail Shown In Winning Dioramas**

The Natal Diecast Model Collectors Club ended 2016 with its annual Rod Guérin Diorama competition with the theme, "The End of the Line".

The winning diorama was Rowan Sear's "End of the Line for a Mini Mk1". It depicted a scrapyard near to the dockside and showed a Mini Mk I being scrapped and stripped for spare parts. Rowan was presented with the Rod Guérin Floating Trophy.

Runner-up was Kevin Taylor with "End of the Line Scrap Yard". His diorama sadly showed the last days of many old faithful cars, either left to rust in peace - or crushed and then melted down.

Third was Richard Hebbroon's railway train diorama "Bloemfontein Line Explosion".

Neville Geddes' Land Rover (Defender) 1949-2016 diorama was placed fourth. His description stated: "End of the line, but to me the end of an era. No other vehicle has operated in so many fields. Long live the land Rover. The best 4x4 by far".

And fifth was also a diorama by Neville entitled "End of the Line" showing that if you drink and drive it will be your end of the line. His diorama depicted a church next to a scrap yard representing the end of the line for both driver and car.

The Geoff Sear Floating Trophy for the Enthusiast of the Year was presented to Cedric Getkate - who despite health problems cheerfully attends most of the NDMC meetings.

The NDMC club meets on the last Monday of every second month at the Kloof Veteran Car Club with the meeting being held at 5.00pm for 5.30pm. The next meeting is on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> January.

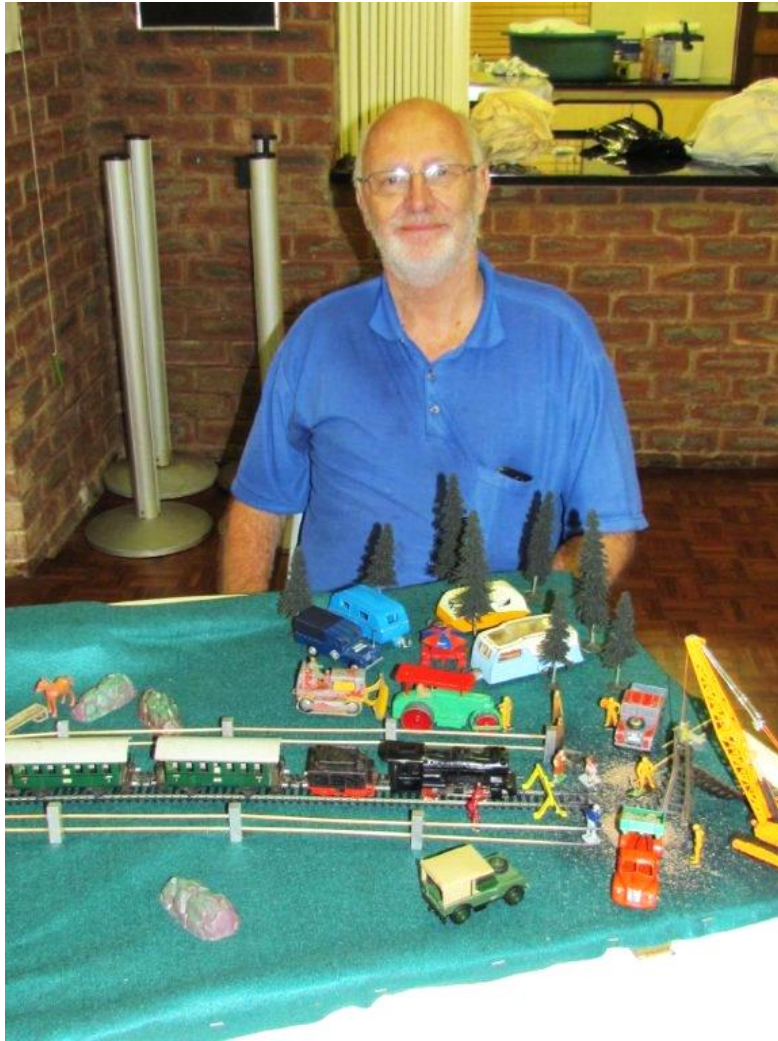


**Rowan Sear (1<sup>st</sup> Place) "The End of the Line"** - shows the end of the line for a Mini Mk I that is in the process of being scrapped, and is being stripped for its spare parts. The scene is set-up in a scrap yard near to the dockside. All material used is styrene.



**Kevin Taylor - (2<sup>nd</sup> Place) "The End of the Line" Scrap Yard Diorama** sadly shows the last days of many faithful old cars, either they are left to rust in peace or they end up being crushed and melted down.





**Richard Hebbbron - (3<sup>rd</sup> Place) "The End of the Line" – Bloemfontein explosion**



**Neville Geddes' – (4<sup>th</sup> Place) "The End of the Line" – but to me the end of an era.  
No other vehicle has operated in so many fields. Long live the Land Rover – the best 4 x 4 by far.**



**Neville Geddes (5<sup>th</sup> Place) "The End of the Line" - showing a Church next to a scrap yard.**  
 This represents that if you drink and drive it will be your end of the line for both driver and car.

### Upcoming events

Date	Event / Function	Venue	Comments
30 <sup>n</sup> January 2017	NDMC Meeting	VCC - Kloof	Time: 17:00 for 17:30 'till we end. Subs due: R150.00 / year. R80.00 Country Members R35.00 for non-members
30 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	Theme		Found under the Christmas tree / models obtained recently
14 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	Hobbies Fair	PMB	All dates and venues to be confirmed.
15 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	Hobbies Fair	Escombe	Moth Hall
16 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	Hobbies Fair	Inchanga	Inchanga Railway Station

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