

## NEWSLETTER



Brilliantly Old-Fashioned To the ACE Fraternity

Since our last Newsletter much has happened. The commercial world has run into a brick wall and when the wall finally re-opens a lot will have changed.

One significant event is that MTH have confirmed that they will cease business in 2021, endorsing my long held aphorism that trees do not grow to the sky particularly in the model train business. The field is littered with the shells of once great names whose legacies prove the rule that in specialist areas knowing when enough is enough and time to restrict expansion or minimise activities. MTH ignored this rule, Williams one of America's great model manufacturers left the stage earlier not wishing to inject all the digital knitting into his superb range.

ACE has also avoided this basic error and is now calming down without sacrificing standards.

After a quarter of a century in which this modest little company having surmounted many problems in reviving practical standard scale in robust metal to the gauge 0 scene primarily in the UK.

Although this may sound somewhat self-congratulatory I make no apologies because nobody with much larger resources has achieved the quality and value coupled with customer service than ACE in the modern era.

Now to turn to current production. We have received the first batch of E/37 Moguls A type and have commenced delivery.



LSWR precursor King Arthur type.

in mid-September/October 2020. First deliveries to customers have been very well received.

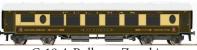
This is as announced a small run which subject to cancellations is virtually sold through. In accordance with ACE's long tradition it will not be available again.

The final shipment of E/34 King Arthur's will be ready for distribution

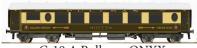


Our plans for the next phase of the ACE story will include the long-awaited LMS 10000/10001 Diesel which will be offered in LMS Black livery with silver lining with

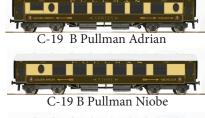




C-19 A Pullman Zenobia



C-19 A Pullman ONYX





C-19 B Pullman Triamon Bar

the option of acquiring a non-motorised dummy unit 10001 which 10000 ran with in most of its service. A single BR motorised version will also be offered in BR Green. All will be offered with switch able on/off sound units. Both our E/38 and C/19 projects will be available early next year and will be manufactured in accordance with strict ACE standards under Len and myself but underwritten by the Station Masters Rooms. These items will be available from all our usual outlets.

All these cars will be fitted where appropriate with working table lamps.

Other projects in planning are the Wainwright D in SECR livery plus SR and BR lining. A small series of SECR boat train cars are also planned. The C/22 SR Maunsell series in SR and BR will also be issued with the Wainwright project. No further projects will be announced until the production of the above is well advanced.

Take care.



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