

Dingo Servo Mounts



Newsletter
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Hi, once again, fellow modellers.

Around 40 years ago a chap came into our company in South Africa with a very interesting request. Our company made nameplates and panels in Aluminium, brass and stainless steel. We also did some quite elaborate finishing on brass plaques and crests.

This guy came in with half a dozen brass castings of SAR loco plates. They were ¼ size and covered a range of SAR steam locomotives. He wanted them finished off by grinding the faces, infilling the background and then clear coating the final products.

He also supplied the colours that he wanted the infills to be.

I was quite excited and asked if I could keep one in payment for doing the work.

This is the crest I got and it has been on my lounge wall ever since.



I have often wondered about the actual loco this related to but have never done a search until a few weeks ago. What a surprise to find that the Loco in restored form was working on a heritage line in SA. And I was able to get a picture of said loco in steam. Bonus!



Sadly, it looks as if the heritage line has gone bust but still – I have something to remember the loco with.

1. An end to shows – or not?

Regretfully I have decided to reduce my attendance at exhibitions from next year. I have had some recent issues with my legs and back and I'm finding all the lugging of equipment and stock is becoming too much.

I'm sure I'll still get to some shows but maybe just as a punter sometimes.

I want to thank all those who have made my time on exhibitions so memorable.

I have valued the camaraderie and friendships made and will really miss being a part of all that excitement.

I am still selling online and will be posting new videos from time to time.

I am also always up for a chat or discussion about new projects and look forward to a different way of doing business.

2. A DCC operated servo control board.



I am working with Julien Coles from France to develop a DCC operated servo control board.

This board can be operated by an accessory address on DCC. It is also setup via the DCC system as well which negates the need for a setting box or similar.

The board also features on board electronic Frog switching using triacs instead of relays.

This means you no longer have to use the microswitches on the mounts for frog switching.

The small pot is used to set speed of the servo

Essentially you only need 3 wires to the unit – 2 for DCC and one to the frog (If switching is required.)

The servo plugs onto the board as normal.

Video here = <https://youtu.be/5fn7mule3kw>

Initial bench trials are excellent and will soon be on a small layout to test in situ

3. DCC frog juicer

Another project in the pipeline – watch this space for more developments.

4. Price increases.

Regrettably we have had to increase prices on a few of our products mainly due to component cost increases.

We will maintain prices wherever possible.

5. End of the line

Sadly, HobbyKing have chosen to remove a fair number of servos from their lineup.

This has made it impossible to obtain servos for some of our mounts

Because of this we have removed some of our mounts from the listings on our website, however, we still have a few kits in stock if you want them and have said servos in your spares box, please email me and I'll make whatever kits we have left available at reduced prices.

Kits that have been removed are

The range of Ultra micro servo mounts

The Micro 21 Mount

The HD mount

These mounts will no longer be available at shows but enquiries to our email address are still actioned.

Well, I think that's all for this time

Have a wonderful Autumn

With Kind Regards

Dave

