

SEA LION 2-4-0T

7/8ths SCALE • 45 mm GAUGE



'Sea Lion' was built in 1896 for the 2' gauge Groudle Glen Railway on the Isle of Man where it still operates today. The locomotive was built by W.G. Bagnall & Co., Stafford and delivered to the line in May of that year, the only loco until joined in 1905 by sister locomotive 'Polar Bear'. Initially the locomotive carried an olive green livery with vermilion and yellow lining and the name carried on the side water tank in gold leaf, with round spectacle cab windows – 'Polar Bear' was fitted with rectangular windows to improve driver visibility. The locomotive was equipped with unusual valve gear patented by E.E. Baguley and is one of only two locomotives fitted with this to remain in existence. By the 1920 season the locomotives were out of traffic and the line purchased two battery electric locomotives that took the steam engine names. The electric locos were a failure and 'Sea Lion' was returned to the works for re-build, continuing to operate until the line closed in 1939.

When the line re-opened in 1950 it operated with 'Polar Bear' only owing to a decrease in demand and the poor condition of 'Sea Lion' which had been stored in the open air for some time. The railway survived until 1962 but by that time 'Sea Lion' was derelict. Rescued for preservation she was eventually restored and returned to a rebuilt Groudle Glen Railway in 1987.

SPECIFICATIONS

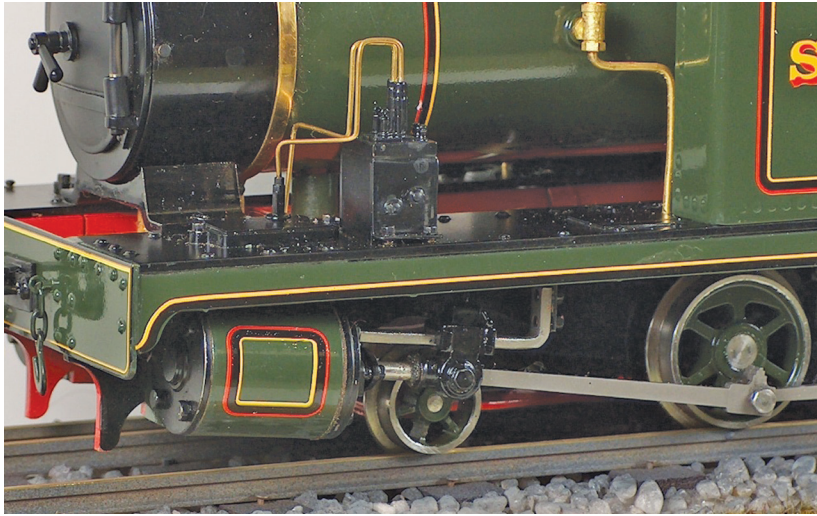
Scale	7/8 ths
Gauge	45 mm
Mini. radius	48 in.
Dimensions	9.5 x 3.75 x 5.75 in.
Construction	Brass & stainless steel
Power	Live steam, butane fired
Boiler	Copper, single flue
Features	Simplified Stephenson's link
	Safety valve
	Forward/Reverse control
	Goodall valve
	Displacement lubricator
	Water level gauge

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