

Jan 2020 Operating Status

Set up:

Thanks to all the great support making this OVAR come off so well. On Friday we started set up at 1:00 pm with two people. It was about 2:30 when people started to arrive in earnest. By that time, the store room was unloaded and modules staged in their approximate locations. By dinner there were 28 people and we consumed 7 pizzas. The modules were up and levelled by 7:30 or so. The slippery carpet by the stage was caused by spilled cooking oil. Gladly no one hurt themselves through slipping, helped by Perry's suggestion to mark the area with chairs. Doug et al were out by 10:30 or so, which given the 244 cars on the layout was no mean feat. We used 195 for OVAR in Jan 2019.

Operations:

Overall, the size of the layout and the diversity of modules (Christian pretty much had his own very long branch!) made for a wonderfully interesting operating session. The interest in the module building program is already going strong.

Overall statistics:

Overall, January saw the highest number of hours and people running trains since Feb 2019

Here are the statistics from the January 2020 (OVAR) Operating Session:

99 trains: 23 passenger, 73 Freight, 3 MoW

32 people ran trains:

- 1 person ran 8 trains
- 1 person ran 7 trains
- 4 people ran 5 trains
- 3 people ran 4 trains
- 11 people ran 3 trains
- 7 people ran 2 trains
- 5 people ran 1 train

Freight Breakdown:

- Through Freight: 10 trains
- 3 MoW trains
- Local 11 was run 7 times
- Local 10 was run 6 times
- Locals 3, 5, 7A and 7B were run 5 times each.
- Locals 2, 4, 8A, 9 and 12A were run 4 times each.
- Locals 1, 8B and 12B were run 3 times each.
- Local 6 was run 1 times.

Passenger breakdown, total: 23

- PT: 14
- PR: 3
- PL: 6

172.9 hours of running time

Take Down:

We had to stop operations early on Sunday at about 2:30 to be clear off the soccer kids in the dart room by 4:30. There were 30 folks at peak attendance for disassembly. As a result, we closed the store room door at 4:30 and the last person (Greg, Nico and Mark M) left at 5:00. The modules went down and got packed quickly but there seemed to be a slight delay getting the storeroom filled up which had to be repacked when castor river couldn't fit in (off by 1/2 inch). Small potatoes for such a large session.