

Newsletter



MVM Rail News – March to April 2010

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Message from the General Manager

'MVM Rail continues to grow in size and capability, one of our Key Goals for this year. A key focus has been to attract professional staff to MVM Rail. This has resulted in two key additions to the team: a new National OH&S Manager and an Operations Manager Southern Region. In addition, a number of other engineers, supervisors and wages employees have recently joined the MVM team.



It was very pleasing to see the award of the GAP project in Queensland in April. This will be the second project to be delivered by the Coal Stream Alliance. This follows on from the great performance on the first Coal Stream Alliance project – Jilalan, where the project was awarded the Queensland Major Contractors Association Project Safety Excellence Award.

The team is continuing to enhance and improve the systems with considerable work happening behind the scenes on the updated MVM Document Library.'

Tony Perkovic

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New Victorian Office



MVM Rail has a new Victorian office in Melbourne's CBD at 50th Floor, 120 Collins Street, Melbourne
Tel 03 9225 5295 Fax 03 9225 5050.
The Williamstown, VIC office is still open and continues to operate as the Plant Department.

New Faces



Rodney Houlston, National OH&S Manager will be based in the Chatswood, NSW office. Rodney is currently undertaking a review of the business and is making his way around sites to introduce himself and talk to the teams.

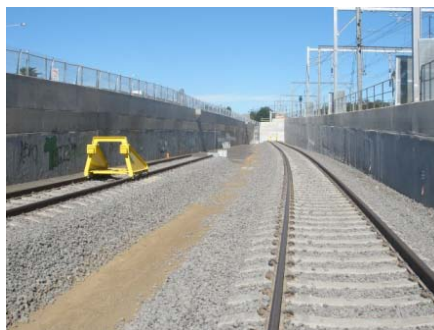


Marcus Mukoro, Operations Manager Southern Region is responsible for operations in Victoria and South Australia. Marcus will be based in the new Melbourne office and will enable MVM Rail to build a stronger focus in the Victorian market.



Trackworks at Lawson Turnback are now Complete

Trackworks at Lawson Turnback, NSW were completed at a weekend possession on 13-14 March 2010. The milestone was a big morale boost for the MVM Rail team of 20 who worked well during the possession. The remainder of the works include Civil and Overhead Wiring.



Social Family BBQ, NSW

The NSW MVM Rail team held a social BBQ for employees and their families. It was held on Friday 12 March 2010 at dusk on the banks of the Nepean River. The location provided a great arena for the kids to frolic in. Supervisors will be advised of future events, all employees and their families are welcome.

Take 5 Competition Winners for Mar/Apr 2010

Staff are encouraged to report safety concerns and suggest solutions on the 5 Steps Report Cards.

One report card will be selected each month from contributions received and awarded a prize draw of \$100 gift voucher.



The Take 5 Competition
Winners for
Mar / Apr 2010 are:

- March - **Wesley Wiseman**, Rail Track Worker – re hand rails – working on and around bridges.
- April – **Moses Ligavatu**, Rail Track Worker – re laying pipes and back filling.

SAFETY4ALL

Healthy Lifestyle / Fitness Challenge



Macmahon has engaged the services of GET VIBRANT to

provide a Healthy Lifestyle / Fitness Challenge.

What is the challenge?

- Teams of 5 will enter their weekly exercise online.
- The team that burns the most energy over four weeks wins.

The challenge will be held initially over a four week trial period commencing 1 May 2010.

GJA Safety Milestone

Congratulations are in order for Glenfield Junction Alliance, NSW for achieving a milestone on 23 March 2010 of 250,000 hours of work **Lost Time Injury (LTI) free**.

The Coal Stream Alliance has been awarded the Goonyella to Abbot Point (GAP) expansion project. The GAP project is the upgrade of the Newlands rail system expected to carry 50 million tonnes of export coal per year to the port at Abbot Point.

The Coal Stream portion of the project runs from Abbot Point to Bogie River in QLD. The scope includes:

- duplication of the existing loop at Abbot Point along with a new 1.5km long arrival / departure road (approx. 6km of new track);
- duplication of the existing North Coast Line between Kailli and Durroburra including a new 12 span bridge over Euri Creek (approx. 6km);
- extension of existing holding roads and construction of 2 new holding roads within Pring Yard (approx. 6km);
- two new passing loops at Buckley and Aberdeen (1.5km each);
- replacement of existing 1:12 turnouts with new 1:16 turnouts at two existing passing loops at Armuna and Binbee and
- new three or four span bridge over Sheep Station Creek Bridge.

The Coal Stream Alliance is responsible for delivering the civil works and QR will deliver the track and signalling. Works are due to commence on site in May with a large portion of the work to be completed by the end of this year, all works are due to be finished by June 2011.

South Improvement Alliance, NSW/VIC

PL03 and PL04 Commissioning

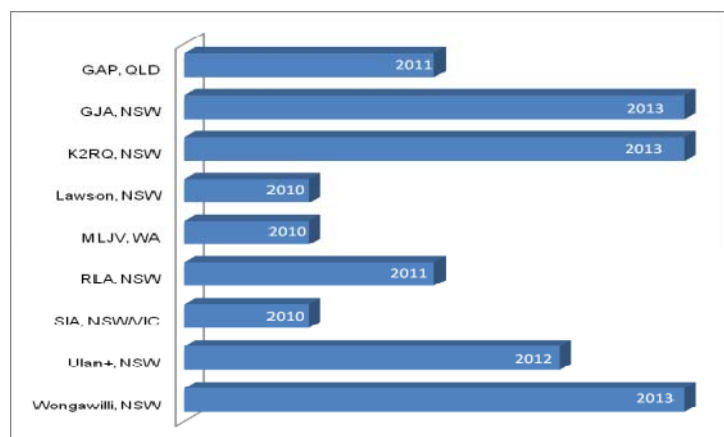
Congratulations to the SIA team who supported the delivery to completion of the track works and signalling for the commissioning of passing lanes 3 and 4 on 5 March 2010. These are the first two passing lanes that have been commissioned in Victoria. It was the first time SIA commissioned two lanes in unison and although it created a few additional challenges to the earlier single lane commissioning in NSW, the team rose to the challenge and brought them home ahead of programme.



Wodonga Rail Bypass

Works on the Wodonga Rail Bypass are progressing well with track works commencing on 10 March 2010. The Lincoln Causeway was closed over two nights 16-17 March 2010 to complete bridge works on the rail overpass bridge.

Current MVM Rail Projects - Completion Year





RTSA Meet the Railway People Expo 2010

The Railway Technical Society Australasia (RTSA) is holding a 'Meet the Railway People Expo' in Sydney. The Expo promotes the Railway Industry to Undergraduate Students (Years 1 to 4) from NSW Universities.

MVM Rail will have a display booth at the expo. If you would like to attend or know any students interested in joining the industry please spread the word.

Registration is **free** however online bookings are essential <http://rtsa.eventbrite.com>.

Date/Time: Saturday 24 July 2010
Time: 10am – 2pm
Venue: The Powerhouse Museum, 500 Harris Street, Ultimo.

VICTORIAN Transport Infrastructure Conference 2010

Focusing on the Victorian Transport Plan - A Year Forward

1-2 June 2010
Crown Conference Centre
Crown Promenade Hotel
Southbank - Melbourne



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MVM Rail is a sponsor of the Victorian Transport Infrastructure Conference 2010 'Focusing on the Victorian Transport Plan – A Year Forward'

Date: 1-2 June 2010

Venue: Crown Conference Centre, Crown Promenade Hotel, Southbank, VIC

MVMDL is here!

The MVM Document Library (MVMDL) was launched on the 14 April. MVM Rail now has the task of transferring and reviewing their documentation from the MVMBs into the new document library. Helen Watkins, the MVMDL Administrator, will be coordinating the transfer of documents as well as conducting training and support for all users and document owners. The Macmahon Library Administrators will also provide support when and if required. Any queries for the MVMDL can be directed to the new email mvmdl@mvmrail.com.au



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Switch Tamper – Harsco (PJ Jackson) 6700

MVM Rail's Plant Department have purchased a Switch Tamper Harsco (PJ Jackson) 6700 diesel powered Tamping Machine.

The 2 ½ year old machine was built by Harsco Track technologies. The Tamper is a Standard Gauge machine and powered by a C series Cummins engine and is an Electric over Hydraulic Machine with some pneumatic controls.

The machine is due to be commissioned late May early June 2010.



Dates to Remember

Macmahon Healthy Lifestyle / Fitness Challenge	01/05/10
Victorian Transport Infrastructure Conference 2010, Melbourne, VIC	1-2/06/10
RTSA-Meet the Railway People Expo, Ultimo, NSW	24/07/10
AusRail 2010 Conference & Exhibition, Perth, WA	23-24/11/10

Newsletter Contributions

Contributions, ideas and suggestions for the newsletter are welcome and should be sent to Cathy York at c york@mvmrail.com.au