

JIM BLYDE'S REPORT

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Saturday 07th

No photos.

Noel and I called by a truck rental firm and they weren't much help as they had only covered trucks. Called by Keith H to uplift a sign which can be used for a trolley turning board. This was placed in on the new siding on "Rotten Road".

I did some work on '414, but not much. Made a start on the alternator and could not any suitable bolts for it. Will try in town for some thing.

Carl tried to clean the top dash and did what he could. The starter switch was removed and removed from it's casing. This I took home and lube it with WD⁴⁰ gave the switch a good work out. Checked the connections and while one side is off, the other side can be "live" as well.

Saturday 14th

Noel and I meet up with Bill at Smart Road to uplift bed plates.

When the train was ready I got it to pull the workshop towards the trailer and a team of us commenced to load the N^{ak} of the plates.

I worked on the top dash board replacing the pop rivet with bolt and nuts. I asked Noel if he could make up some panels the same size to use as patterns when ready to drill and cut holes. I have retaped the threads in the dash board surrounds.

Bill was working in his field of work.

With the Mig welder I made myself familiar with it.

One has to make sure that the work is reasonably clean before commencing with the welding. I found after some practice that I could weld with some degree of confidence.



Saturday 21st

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This day spent most of the day at Noel's working on the WW⁶⁷⁷³⁴ progress is reasonable which Noel is happy with.

A fuller report will be produced when this job is completed.

Saturday 28th

A bloody wet and windy day on site. I have managed to complete my task of the "mock up" of the dash boards from particle board. These are screwed in place waiting on Carl to work out where he needs to have his electrical equipment etc.

Did a shunt to relocated the T^r 407 in front of the D^{sa} 414 to make a start to get T^r 407 running again. Was booted of site as the weather was to be come inclement.

