



4th-12th May 2013

We are encouraged by the excitement building up prior to our May 2013 event.

Here is but a glimpse of what to expect.

1) Arn Jung, No. 847.

Our signature loco for 2013 is all but complete... a world class historical 2-ft Narrow Gauge locomotive of great significance.



2) New Samil 100 Gun tractor arrives.

A brand new Gun tractor which represented the State-of-the-art of the South African Defence Force over the past 30-years or so is now on the farm. This unit has been fully refurbished to as new condition by a company that specialises in these type of rebuilds, namely OTT. OTT work closely with the Sandstone Heritage Trust and do their best to assist us to acquire items of significant interest in the Military vehicle field.



3) Hunslet Diesel receives engine transplant.

A Hunslet Diesel which is incredibly valuable as a shunting engine, particularly prior to large events such as Stars of Sandstone, is receiving a new 6LW Gardner engine kindly donated by a Broomwade compressor that we have.

The Hunslet's existing engine will be overhauled and will be installed in the Broomwade compressor.



4) Sandstone's new lounge car.

We expect this to be up and running and fully operational in time for our event next year. The photographs tell the story.



5) We never seem to have enough DZ's.

We are doing something about that.



6) All our Steam engines are being prepared for the Boiler Inspector.

This year we decided to steam clean all our boilers, and in fact the entire engines prior to the Boiler Inspector arriving.

This work is being carried out by our staff but this year they used their heads – they used our Marshall Roller as a source of steam to power up a steam gun which removed every vestige of dirt and grime off the engines being cleaned.

Imagine this relatively young Marshall convertible roller helping to bring a 1901 B5 Road Locomotive up to pristine condition.



7) A huge effort has been made to improve the gardens .



Finally... don't forget to purchase a copy of our excellent 2012 Kalahari Sunrise DVD.

A DVD is available to purchase on this year's Kalahari Sunrise event. The event celebrated the centenary of the Class HD locomotives of the Otavi Railway in German South West Africa. These locomotives evolved into the famous Class NG15's – otherwise known as "Kalaharis". For further details click here: http://www.sandstone-estates.com/images/stories/sandstone/Railway_Heritage/20120828/kalahari%20sunrise%20flyer.pdf)

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