

Bowaters Models – BMGB Series Instructions SECR Dance Hall Brake Van



Requires

- Slaters Plasticard 1:32 Wagon Wheels
- Walshall Engineering 3 Link Couplings

Required Tools

- Fine Sandpaper/Emery paper or boards
- Small Files
- PVA Glue
- Super Glue
- Sharp Craft Knife

Prototype Information

These and similar brake vans were used around the southern region for a wide range of applications. The examples designed cover the SECR Dance Hall Brake Vans that operated all over the south of England.

About the Kit

The kit is a wooden kit comprising of a set of laser cut wooden parts and 3D printed sections.

Chassis Fitting

This kit is designed for the Bowaters Models Brake Van Chassis. This is assembled as per the instructions.

Couplings

This kit is designed to make use of Walshall Engineering 3 Link Couplings which are to be mounted in the prototypical location.

Instruction notes

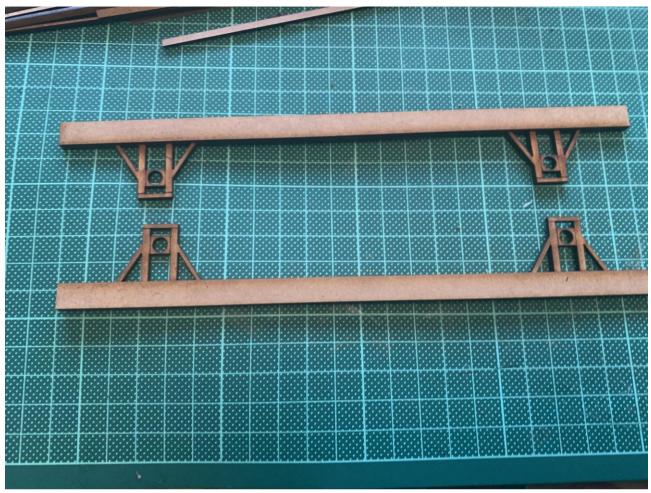
With these instructions, there are images which show various stages of the construction of one of the kits. They are of the Test build for BMGW-004 and BMGW-103 which isn't representative of the kit you have brought. They are for reference purposes only.

Painting

For painting, it is recommended you refer to prototype images to ensure the models are in the condition that you model (Pregrouping, Grouping or Nationalisation).

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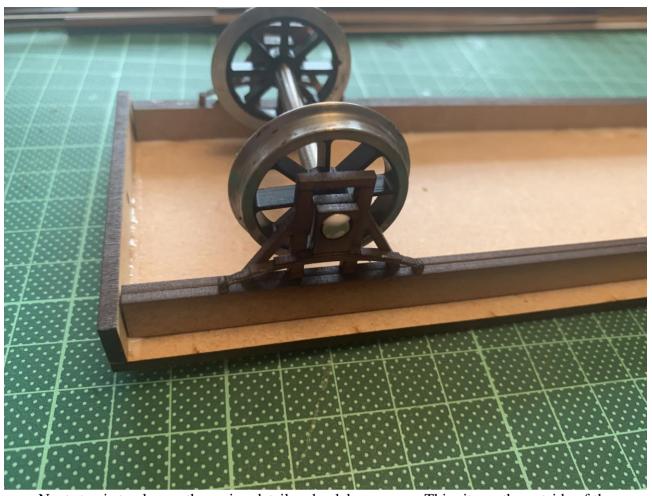
Please read though these instructions before beginning to assemble your kit



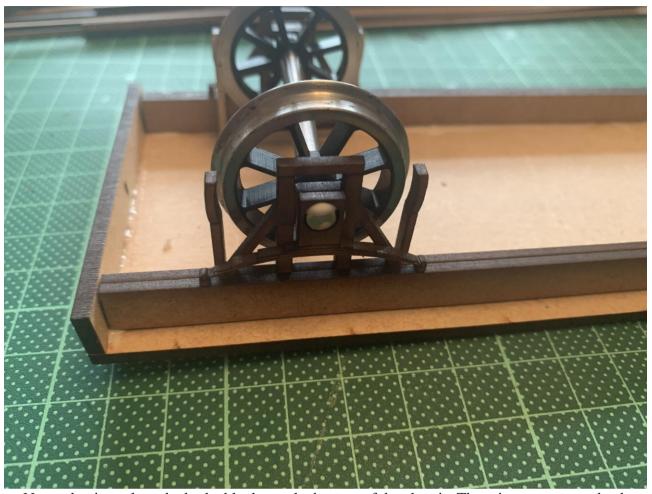
Start by assembling the side beams for the chassis. There are two pieces per beam which are glued back to back with the etched detailing on the outsides. Each side is different to the other.



Next, glue the bufferbeams onto the ends of the chassis plates in the middle of the model. Then glue the chassis sides in place while inserting the wheelsets at the same time. This will produce a rolling chassis in a single step.



Next step is to glue on the spring detail and axlebox covers. This sits on the outside of the axleboxes.



Next, glue into place the brake blocks on the bottom of the chassis. There is one set per wheel.



To assemble the footsteps, glue the longer steps on the bottom of the footsteps and the shorter steps to the tops.



Then glue them onto the sides of the chassis. The cut outs in the footsteps slot over the axlebox covers



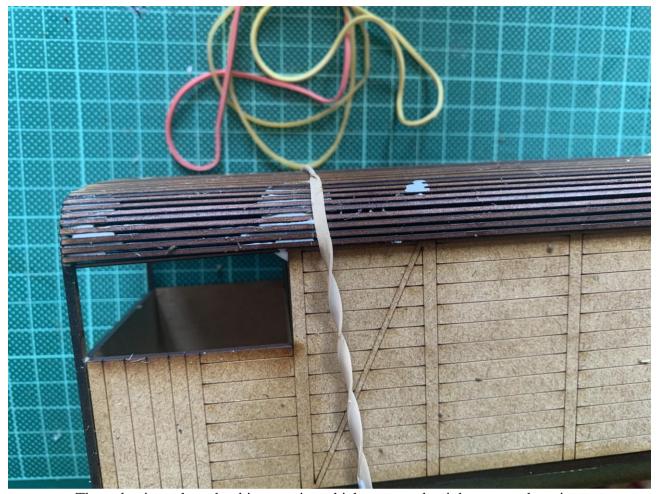
To start construction of the body, glue the end pieces as well as both of the side pieces onto the brake van chassis.



Next, glue into the internal partitions.



Now, glue on the roof onto the model ensuring it covers the entire length of the model including the end supports. Start by gluing on the wider strips that go on the larger curved section of the roof.



Then glue into place the thinner strips which go over the tighter curved section.



The buffers are formed of two pieces. The first part is to glue on the 3D printed buffer housings into the respective locations as marked on the bufferbeam. For those who wish to use sprung buffers, there is a half etched circle for you to drill though to place the buffers in the correct location. The final stages of the buffers is to glue in the Brass Pins into place to form the buffer unit. Some straightening of the buffers maybe required due to their manufacturing.

Coupling wise, these are installed by sliding the coupling hook though the bufferbeam and then pinning the spring in place using a split pin (which is supplied with the couplings).

Your Model is now complete.



We hope you enjoy your Bowaters Models kit! If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact us on info@bowatersmodels.co.uk

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