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Railtruck mods

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Message:

Yes, I got one of the new Bachmann Railtrucks and as usual could not leave it alone!

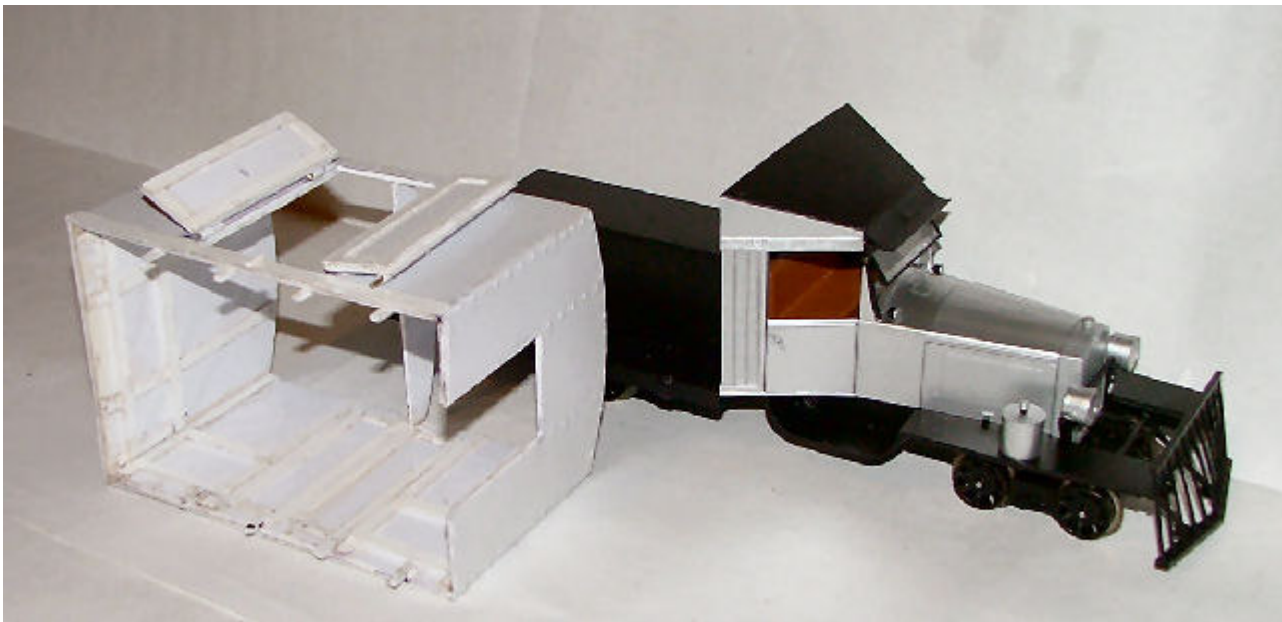
First I wanted to break up the appearance of that big box in the back so I made up a couple of packing cases around it. The front one is fixed only to the lid so it comes up with it.



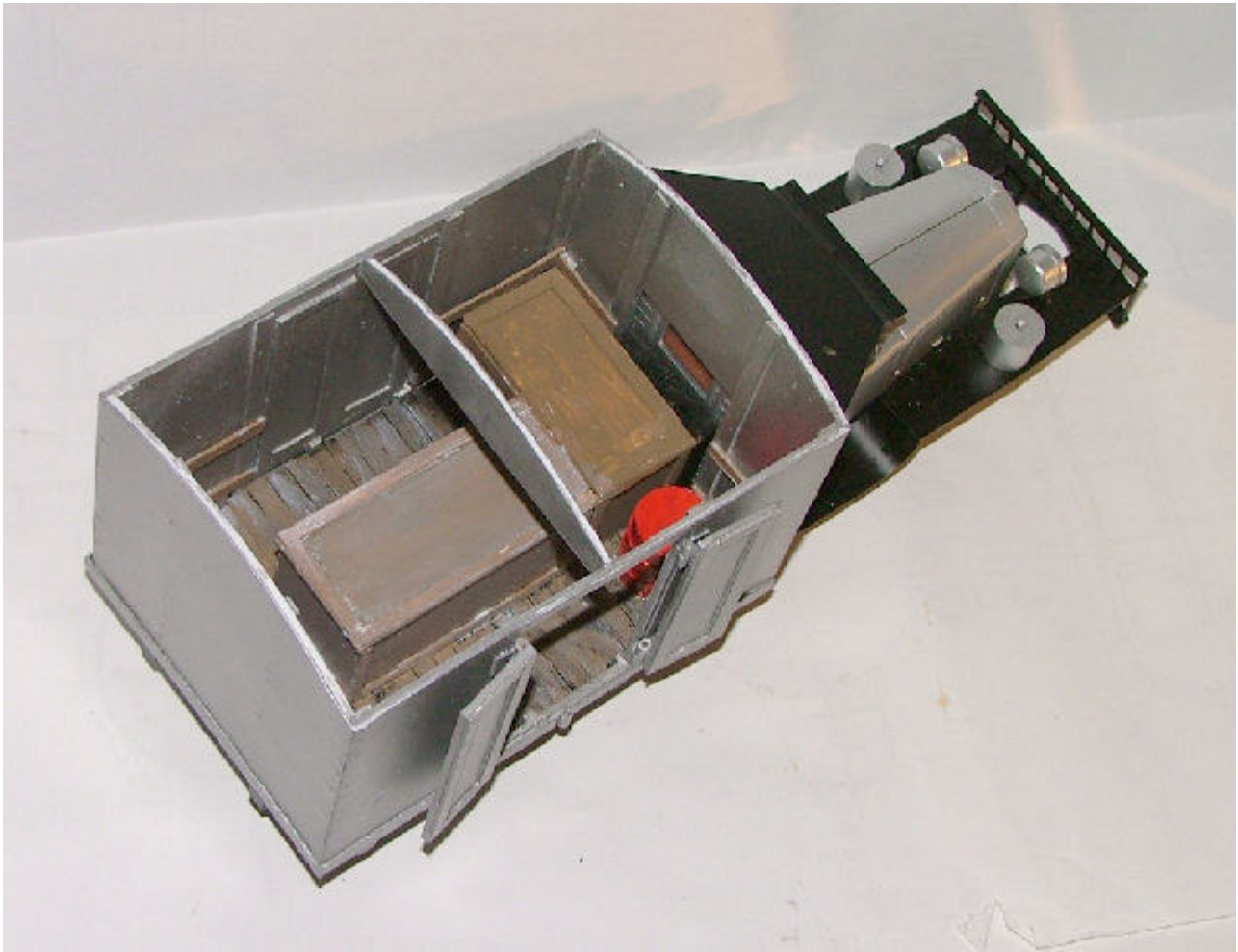
Then a bit of weathering to the rails and it's starting to look better - rather harsh colours from the flash, it looks softer in real life!



Whilst I had the side rails off I realised that the fixings could be used for other bodies and allow for swapping so I started on a box unit.



Notice how I have made 'pegs' that engage in the original stake pockets. The body is a simple push fit into these and is plenty firm enough. Here is the body before the roof went on, the crates are sized to clear the new front wall.



And here is the finished job with roof and lettering added - still want to lightly weather the whole thing.



I think it works well and I can easily change from box to stake sides in no time at all.

Allan.

Replies:

Reply author: David Fletcher

Replied on: 05 Jan 2006 13:55:13

Message:

Nice Allan! I was thinking also a real RGS feel would be to get a silver box onto the back AKA RGS #2. I like the style of the faces to the box, they really have that RGS sheet metal look you see in the pics.

I've not bought one yet (out of funds right now!) but intend to get the silver one...to go with my Acc RGS #2 and Berlyn Casey Jones (which I just love!).

David.

Reply author: vsmith

Replied on: 05 Jan 2006 16:35:26

Message:

SWEET!

Man I dig these! I'm hoping they'll come down in price a little more before I risk picking one up!

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