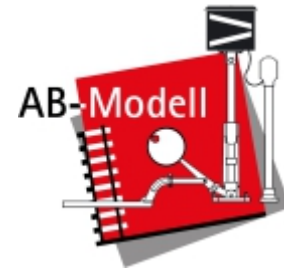


# Novelties from Stuttgart autumn fair



Dear friends of the Swiss narrow gauge railway, we are back from the fair in Stuttgart, which took place over 4 days in Hall 1 at the end of November. We have compiled all kinds of information for narrow-gauge railway fans in this newsletter. We hope you enjoy reading it.

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## Swiss Models

### Pirata

The Italians were represented with their own stand. On Sunday morning there was time for a detailed discussion with the two managing directors Andrea and Stefano. They are currently working on a number of RhB models that have already been realised and are due for delivery towards the end of the year. These are primarily the Arosa Express carriages, including the Bärenland carriage, makeshift dining carriages and 1st class standard carriages I in a green colour scheme. These are all well-known models that we have generously reordered. As soon as we receive the vehicles, we will inform you of their availability via our newsletter. Two new standard coaches I are appearing in a slightly darker shade of red with the familiar gold-coloured doors as we know them from the 1990s.



RhB B Carrozza 2' cl. EW I, livrea rosso scuro, porte oro Art. P19230



RhB A Carrozza 1' cl. EW I, livrea rosso scuro, porte oro Art. 9231

PI-9231 - EW I, rot, 1990er Jahre, 1. Klasse, goldene Türen  
PI-9230 - EW I, rot, 1990er Jahre, 2. Klasse, goldene Türen

Of course, we asked about the models that have been announced since 2020. The model range for the Arosa Express is to be successively expanded. Attempts are being made to realise the 1st class and possibly also the luggage coach next year. However, we will have to wait longer for the cab car, which has been announced in 2022. The models mentioned are available for N and Nm.

Works on the two-axle covered goods wagon is relatively advanced. Due to the unexpectedly high number of pre-orders, it has been decided to produce the vehicle using different moulds, which will take additional time. If everything runs smoothly, it could be ready next summer. So let us be surprised.

*It is not yet possible to say whether, and if so, how much effort will be involved in re-gauging the goods wagons. The vehicles will appear in N gauge (9mm) as standard.*

### MDS

The planned conversation with Mr Müller from MDS, which unfortunately had to be cancelled due to Covid19, also fits in with the topic of RhB freight wagons. We have no specific information and are therefore unable to say whether and when the announced models will be released.

We have read between the lines that print samples are now available, which at least indicates small progress in terms of later availability.

*We are still accepting pre-orders for the MDS models. Sliding wall wagons can be ordered in both N and Nm gauge.*

*Locomotives are only available for N gauge.*

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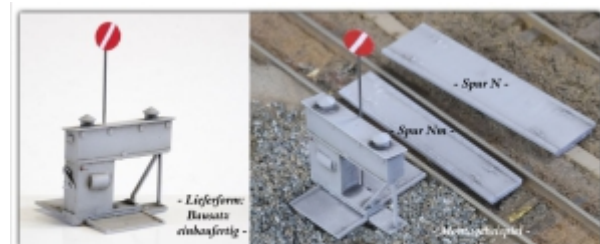
### ICH-Models

In the exhibition hall we met Massimo Icardi, who offers both Italian (I) and Swiss (CH) models. In his luggage he had the Bernina railcar of the 50 series, which could be ordered from him last year. The models were available exclusively for N gauge, both motorised and as dummies. A new edition of this attractive railcar is not currently planned.

According to the manufacturer, there are no new Swiss models on the agenda for 2024.

### Klett Modellbau

We had contact with the two men behind Klett Modellbau several times during the trade fair. A fictitious metre-gauge railway station was set up on Nm modules specially made for the games fair. Even though it was still largely under construction, there were all sorts of marvellous innovations to discover. The track scales were part of a loading track. Controlled automatically, a small shunting locomotive pulled the attached goods load forward, stopped, the scales went into action, i.e. the holding disc turned to the stop position, remained there for a short moment, turned back to the freewheeling position and the shunting composition moved forward by one wagon. Very impressive! We already have the track scales for N gauge in our programme as Zub-345.1. From 2024, this model will also be available in a motorised version. A servo provides the required back and forth movement. *We have pre-ordered this item.*



Zub-345.1: Gleiswaage, Typ Filisur, 1 Stück, 3D-Druck, einbaufertig lackiert, für N- und Nm-Gleis, Klett-Modellbau

Zub-345.1 - Gleiswaage, statisches Modell

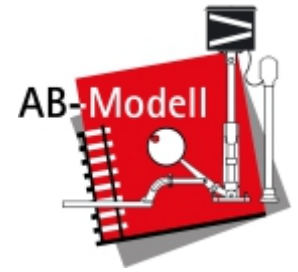
Zub-345.2 - Gleiswaage, motorisiert mit Servo

Another extremely attractive highlight at the station were the "Hippische Wendescheibe" on display, the last representatives of which were still in service on the Klosters-Davos-Filisur line on the Rhaetian Railway network until the 1980s. Today, a non-functioning one can be found on the Wiesen viaduct (Filisur side, next to the hiking trail).

Among the signals set up at the model railway station, the attentive observer could discover a special specimen: depending on the situation, it could be set to "Stop" or "Free travel"! As the discs only ever rotate in one direction, like a clockwork, a stepper motor provides the necessary movement.

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For fans of this magical accessory, we have added the *Hippsche Wendescheibe* (reversible disc) to our range.



Zub-346.1 - *Hippische Wendescheibe, Standmodell*  
Zub-346.2 - *Hippische Wendescheibe, motorisiert*

The new products should be available in spring 2024. We are happy to accept pre-orders.

Last but not least, a cute new vehicle from Klett: a Tm2/2 91-92 tractor pulled and pushed the small shunting composition back and forth on the loading track. The operational model on display was still a little too large, as it was built on a Busch H0f field railway engine. The aim is to realise the tiny yellow shunting tractor to scale in 1:160.

A short chassis from Euromodell-FP with flywheel mass could serve as the drive. Discussions in this regard are currently underway. A narrow-gauge version is currently being planned.



Nm-251.x - Tm2/2 91-92, motorisiert - Projekt Klett Modellbau

In the case that the model is realised, we have reserved the item number Nm-251.x. We are assuming a limited series. If you are interested, please send us a short e-mail with your order request.

## AB-Modell

As usual, we have presented our novelties of the year in the vitrine show offered by N-Club-International. The new products sheet can be downloaded from our website [www.n-schmalspur.de](http://www.n-schmalspur.de) or is available from us in printed form.

The rolling platform project is slowly but surely taking shape. There will be two versions of this model:

Ua8331-8335 are those trolleys whose brake pad rod is continuous, and Ua8336-8342 have a split rod on which the fixing blocks are mounted.

We will offer 5 vehicle numbers of each variant.

As far as we know, each vehicle number will be equipped exactly according to prototype photos. The main difference between the models is the different handwheels. These are available in yellow, silver-grey or red, with four or five spokes.

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Nm-021.0 - Ua8331-35, Rollschemel, durchgehende Radvorlegerstange, unbeladen

Nm-021.1 - Ua8336-42, Rollschemel, geteilte Radvorlegerstange, unbeladen

Nm-021.xK - Beladung gedeckter Güterwagen K<sup>3</sup> (Lemke)

Nm-021.xT - Beladung Tankwagen (Lemke)

Nm-021.xG - Beladung Getreidewagen (AareValleyModels)

We have also procured some attractive loads from Lemke Collections and Aare Valley Models. The covered goods wagon K<sup>3</sup> is probably one of the best-known standard-gauge vehicles in Switzerland, as is the small two-axle tank wagon with Danzas AG Basel lettering (both Lemke). Our range is completed by the grain wagon from Aare Valley Models. The standard-gauge wagons each have two different road numbers, so that you can book 6 different loads with us in addition to the rolling stock. The loads are only available in limited quantities.

We will provide detailed information on the most important parameters for operating the models in a newsletter next year.

The project of the Beh2/4 "Flèche" cogwheel railcar of the Rochers-de-Naye railway also appeared in a slightly modified form, now with glazing and printed windscreen wipers on the front.

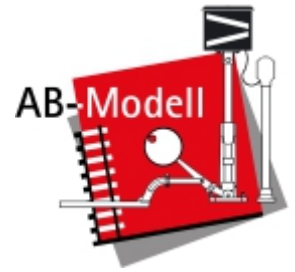
However, the real optimisations are the inner values of the model. As well as being equipped with the original Rokuhan engine, it is also possible to convert to engines from SB-Modellbau, which means a significant reduction in speed.

We will also be contacting you about this special model in our newsletter when the opportunity arises.



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The large Tmf2/2 85-90 shunting tractor, which was on display in our showcase as an orange-coloured hand sample, was brand new and on show for the first time. The chassis and bonnet are milled from brass to give the model the necessary weight for good driving characteristics. The driver's cab is etched and you will be able to look through the windows as the motor is hidden in the undercarriage. Driven by a „Glockenanker“-motor, combined with high weight, we expect very good driving characteristics from this little gem. The design comes from N-Track. This model is also available as a kit from the Dutch manufacturer.



Nm-250.x - Projekt Rangiertraktor Tmf2/2 85 - 90

We will initially produce the orange-coloured version. The yellow version will follow in a later year. This model will only be produced in a limited series. Pre-orders are possible for all our vehicles mentioned here. All models are to scale 1:160 and only available for Nm gauge.

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## Spanish Models

### TrenMilitaria

Javier Garcia Fontenla had brought a total of 6 variants of the Henschel diesel locomotive for Nm tracks on behalf of a customer, of which we photographed two attractive colour variants.



The prototypes are at home on the northern Spanish metre-gauge tracks of FEVE, which operates the most extensive narrow-gauge network in Europe. If you are interested, please send an e-mail to [info@trenmilitaria.com](mailto:info@trenmilitaria.com).

Unfortunately, the website is not up to date and offers no information about this attractive vehicle.

## German Models

### Lemiso

Let's take a look at other than Swiss models. The manufacturer of German narrow-gauge models had travelled to Stuttgart with a huge model layout on which trains from Era II made their rounds. Metre-gauge and narrow-gauge tracks with operational models were also on display, alongside moving buses and ships and a working ship's hoist! A real feast for the eyes, you practically couldn't get enough of the operational activities.



The Nm- and ...



Ne-programme, together with matching tracks, were on display in the showcase. Interested parties are referred to the extensive website of the manufacturer [www.lemiso.de](http://www.lemiso.de). Many models and accessories are immediately available from the shop.

## Orders

For Pirata, MDS and Klett models, as well as our own products, please contact us with your order.

For all other manufacturers listed here, please contact them by email or via their webshop. Thank you very much.

## Deliveries

The announcements are not yet available. Some of our photos also show incomplete hand samples. As soon as we have further information, prices and delivery dates, we will contact you by newsletter. Pre-order customers will also receive an individual e-mail with reference to their order.