

# Aster News Letter

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## 1. Kiso Baldwin Option Kit

The optional valve gear and the detail parts kit to go with the already released Baldwin Basic kit will be ready shortly.



**Baldwin fully detailed model on the rooftop layout at Aster Hobby Co.,Inc.**





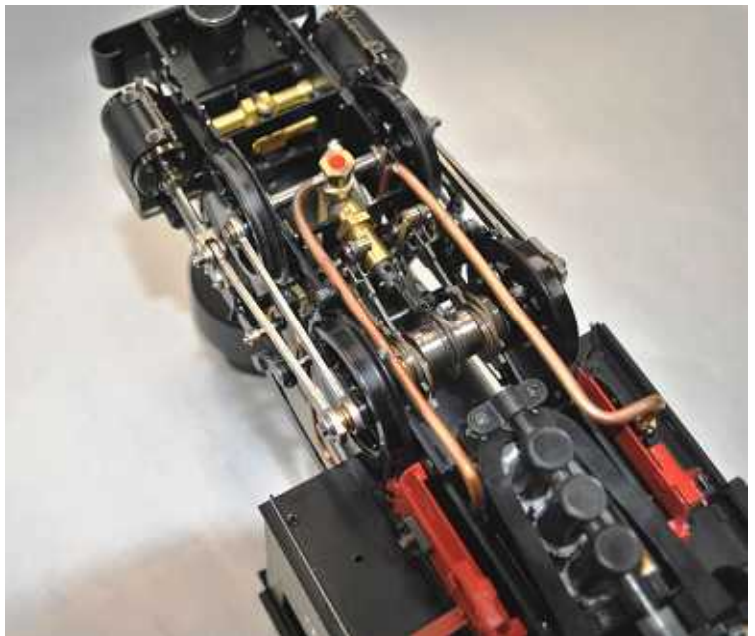
**Two Tanks - the basic model (nearer) and the fully detailed (behind)**



**contents of an option kit: (left)**  
**Stephenson's valve gear components**  
**reverser parts**  
**additional detail casting parts & pipings**

**Stephenson's Valve Gear (right)**

**Dummy spark arrester fan creates unique steam effect (below)**



**Detail additions on the smoke box**



## 2. BR5MT

The production of the BR 5MT has started for the expected delivery in May this year. 170 pieces will be made in green and black liveries. 110 will go to the UK.

Like BR9F in 2006, black kit will not have a cab side number 73050 and the tender lion crest as shown in the pic below. The green kit will not have the cab side numbers 73051. Please be careful when collecting reservations. The Factory built model will have those numbers and crest upon your firm order by April 9th. To secure your reservation, your earliest order is highly appreciated.



green version (Photoshop Image)

the cab side number will not be included in kit



black version

the cab side numbers and the tender BR crest will not be included in kit

The Walschaert Valve gear with prototypical piston valves



The 5MT model contains the same piston valve system applied in the earlier BR9F. Small but full-fledged live steam model of approx 300pcs components. The assembly is relatively straightforward.



the orthodox controllers in the cab

cylinder drain cock handle here

To save the shipping expense by reducing the volume, we are thinking of another simple packaging for the 5MT. The packaging will be simpler and smaller but durable for the overseas shipment. You will be informed of this topic later in due course of time.