

Railway Goods Sheds (Queensland)

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Simple Sheds

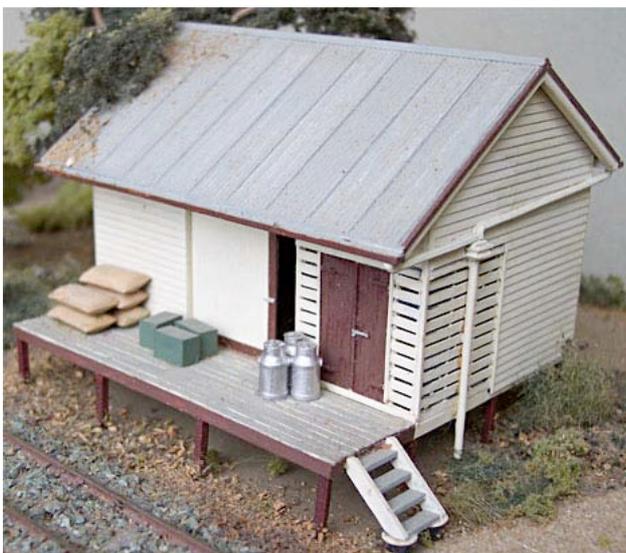
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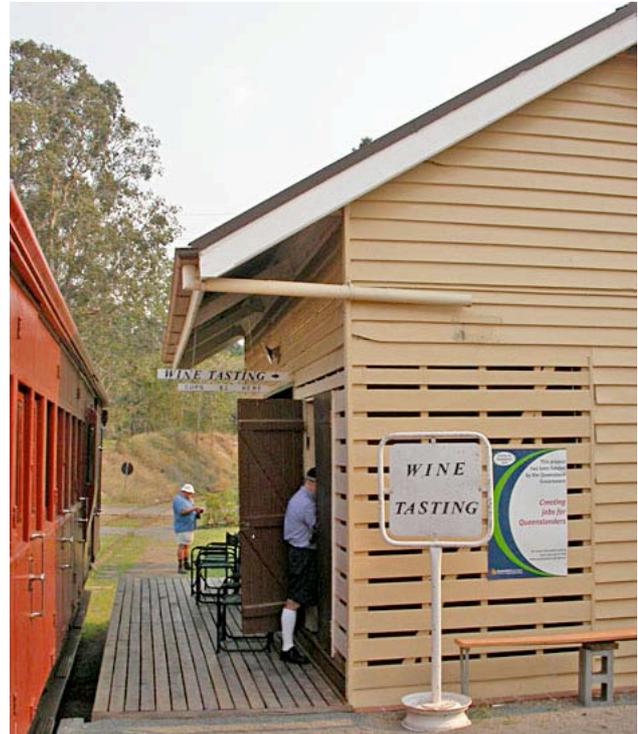
A few sheds combined the functions of 'goods' and 'cream', having battened walls at one end and being fully enclosed for the rest of the structure.



Combined cream and goods shed, Mulgildie (Monto loop) 1996. Jim Hutchinson photos.

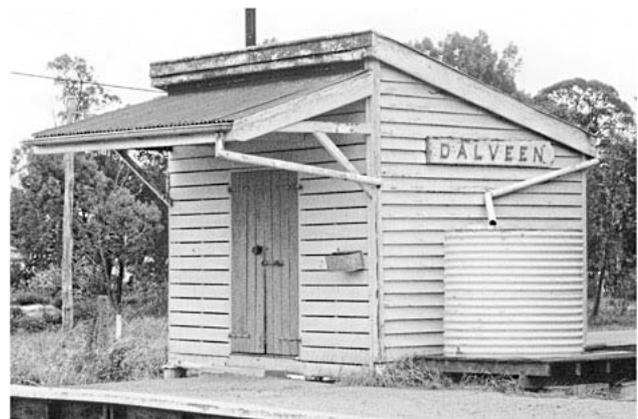


Dagon (Mary Valley branch) in model form. Unlike the shed at Mulgildie, the cream shed appears to be a small part of the overall shed. Jim Hutchinson model and photo.



Dagon goods and cream shed, 2004, being used for wine tasting on the Mary Valley Rattler tours. Lynn Zelmer photo.

Roof styles and covering varied by locality and era. Small simple skillion-roofed sheds were to be found along the main line south to Wallangarra, including those at Dalveen and The Summit.



Dalveen 1996. Jim Hutchinson photo.

Weighbridge sheds should not be overlooked when modelling a yard. They are simple structures to model, and although they are now an anachronism in most goods yards, their inclusion in a facility representing earlier years is worthy of consideration.



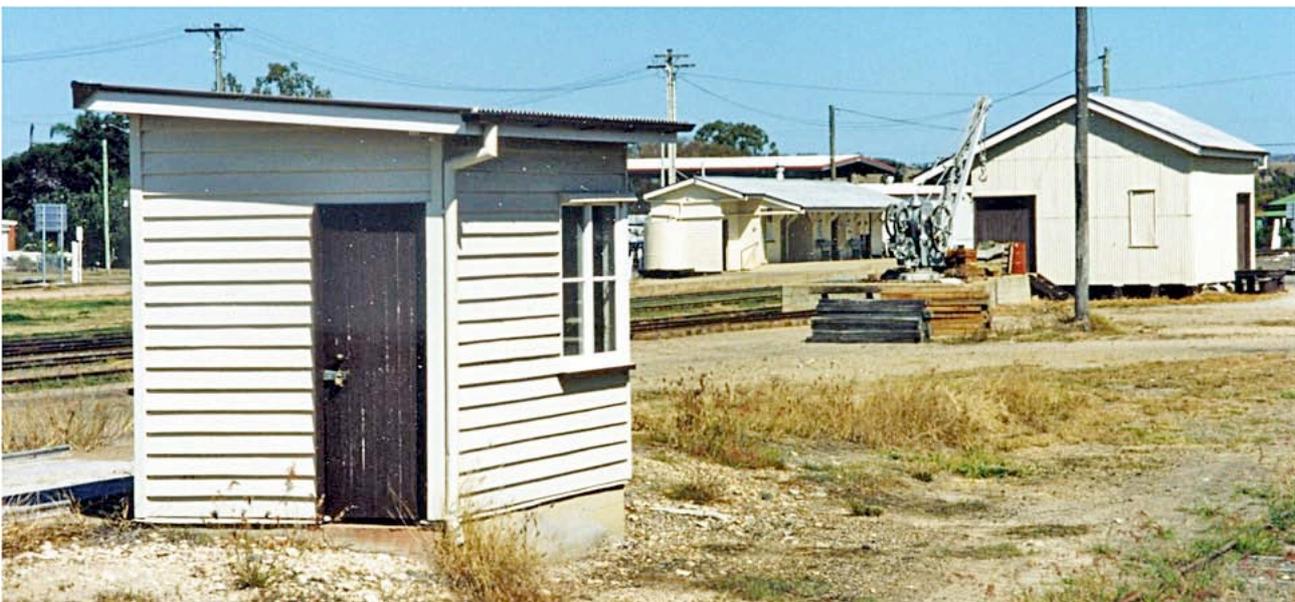
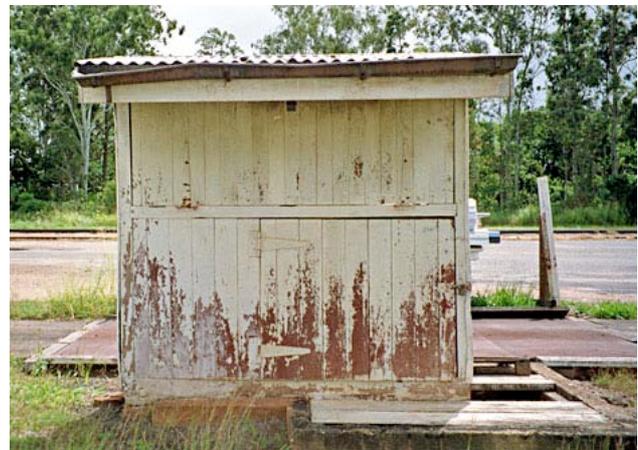
The Summit combined goods and cream shed 1996 with a decorative timber shade. Jim Hutchinson photo.



Atherton weighbridge (above and below), 1993. The scale is barely visible in the window above. HO modellers could use the scale mechanism from the Woodland Scenics Trackside Scale. The back of the shed below swings open for operating the scale. Lynn Zelmer photos.



Atherton weighbridge, 1993. For modelling purposes, it is approximately 6' from the base to the eave. Lynn Zelmer photo.



Gayndah Weighbridge and Yard, 1996. Likely there is another large window on the weighbridge side. Jim Hutchinson photo.

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