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By Don Chambers³

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² **Peter Fisher** has been interested in trains, and particularly signals, since he was a small boy living atop the Northcote cutting. At ten years of age he started the Northcote Train Society, supported by *The Spirit* newspaper. He is now a professional environmental consultant and university lecturer. He also writes freelance for the *Australian Financial Review*. He is meticulous with researching for his profession and for his hobby.

³ **Don Chambers** was born at Lilydale in 1935 and grew up in and around Euroa in north-eastern Victoria. At 16 he became a rural worker. He studied extensively at Melbourne & Cambridge Universities. He teaches history at Monash University; renovates houses and is involved in the heritage and Open Learning scene in Melbourne.

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