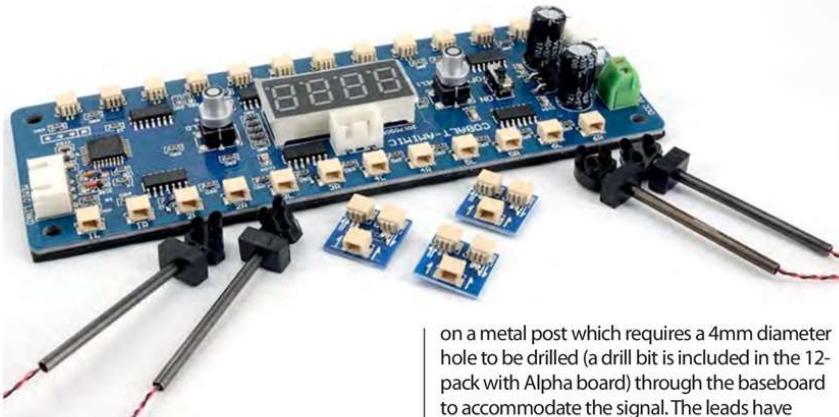


'OO' GAUGE

DCC Concepts delivers its GROUND SIGNALS

● Price: £99.95 per 12-pack ● Cat No: DCD-MGS-BR ● Site: www.dccconcepts.com



Ever since DCC Concepts announced that it would be producing colour light ground signals for 'OO' gauge we've been eager to see the results – and now they have arrived. The range covers early two-light, the more common three-light and the latest four-light British styles as well as an American outline two-light signal. Each features a high quality plastic casing with light colours selected to suit the era of their operation. For example, the most modern four-light signals have white LED lights while the earlier signals have softer warm white lights to represent the bulbs used in the real signals.

Each signal is pre-wired and comes mounted

on a metal post which requires a 4mm diameter hole to be drilled (a drill bit is included in the 12-pack with Alpha board) through the baseboard to accommodate the signal. The leads have plugs attached and they have been designed to work with DCC Concepts Alpha Mimic control boards – none of which requires soldering.

The mimic board can be connected directly to the DCC track or accessory feed and given a range of addresses to control 12 signals. Joining everything together takes a matter of minutes and results in a set of working signals. Splitters to control two signals from one output are included in the 12-pack and there are additional extension cables available separately to increase the range of the wires from each signal.

This is a comprehensive and cost-effective way of introducing ground signals to a layout. With the 12-pack costing just under £100 it works out at just over £8 per signal – and you get a control board, cables, drill and screws thrown in too. Great value and a great product which we are already planning to install on *Hobby Magazine's* exhibition layouts. (MW)



'O' GAUGE

HAND PAINTED FIGURES for 'O' gauge

● Price: £5 (unpainted), £10 (painted)
● Cat No: Various
● Site: www.paintinghistory.co.uk



Northumbrian Painting Services has introduced a range of cast metal figures for 'O', 'OO' and 'N' gauges all of which are available unpainted as well as fully decorated. For review we received samples of two of the 'O' gauge range covering a secondman with a mug of tea (Cat No. ORF-079) and a modern driver with a high visibility vest (ORF-083). Both exhibit a high level of detail and have plenty of character in their painting too including washes of black over the blue overalls of the modern driver highlighting the



textures of the casting.

At £10 per figure for the hand painted items, they will bring character and detail to a railway setting. Plus, there are lots of other poses to choose from online and in scales from 'N' gauge upwards. (MW)