CLUB CONTACTS:

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Loco Foreman's Report:

I hope you all had a good break.

I would like to thank those members who operated the track on Sun 6th.

Thanks to Ian and George the new spring points installation is working well. Help is needed with installing further sets.



From the President's desk:

Another year has gone and I hope that everyone

had a good break and that you did all you planned! It's been one of those summers we all remember with the weather being fine and the water warm. The January 1st picnic went well with about 30+ people enjoying themselves. Even on days we are not officially open, the public turns up. Thanks to lan, who was there testing his new loco, and was able to accommodate the waiting public.

Our new clubroom is all but signed off, just waiting for the inspector to do his thing, after that a warrant of fitness for the building is required. We can now get on with the shed extension as the plans have been accepted by the CCC.

Thank you to the members who went to Andrews Crescent to help Dave sort out the library, it is temporarily closed as it is moved to Halswell. The new library joinery will be installed in the next week or so. The installation of the new spring points is working well, thanks to lan and George. We hope to install more in the future.

The committee have decided to introduce grass carp into our pond. The fish have a life expectance of 15 years and with the right number of fish for the area this should keep the weed under control. We are waiting for DOC and CCC to process the paper work.

The Wed team is having a break and will start again 20th Feb. **Thank you** to those members, who are still coming down on Wed and keep the place looking good.

Please remember that the Alarm is now operating in the clubrooms and the engine shed with the same pin number for both buildings. When you enter put in the Pin No then press OFF. When leaving press the Pin No, then ON, wait a moment for the digits to start and then lock up.

The committee is looking to purchase a TV or Projector audio/visual system for the club. If anyone has a contact that can help please contact Cameron Ph 322 6227 or Dave Ph 322 7524

Cammod 2 is being held on January 2nd to 6th 2014. Graeme and the team are busy getting ready for this big event, with lots of planning still to be done. If you are able to help and are going to be here over that time please let us know. Our club is committed to running the event and we need members help to make it a success. The Registration fee is not set at this stage. Lastly a loan was made available by the Christchurch City Council 2 years ago, but was put on hold due to the earthquakes. This has now been accepted by CSMEE. This loan is to extend the engine shed and finish the clubrooms only.

Take note our new Po Box No 37307 Ch Ch 8245 Keep on Training.

From the January Committee Meeting:

Halswell GLT: Two minor Clubrooms fix ups needed before final inspection. CCC have accepted Train Shed Extension drawings. Two quotes will be sought for the floor slabs.

Librarian: Dave is continuing the sorting process and thanks those members who assisted recently. Further assistance in coming weeks would be appreciated. Graeme Chisnall has had an offer of DVDs.

Boiler & Safety: The new standard for copper boilers requires increased shell thickness for some boilers.

Archivist & Constitution Sub-Committee: The constitution change to validate the requirement for two signatures on club transactions must be approved by a two-thirds majority at a special meeting of the membership. Moved "that a section of the next Annual General Meeting be designated a Special Meeting in order to vote on: "All of the Societies payments by cheque, internet banking, or other method, must be authorised by the Executive Committee, and transacted by two of the Society members who are authorised by the Executive Committee to do so."

General Business: Parents and children standing waiting on the platform is a concern. Suggested that a painted yellow line would be a contribution to overall safety. Issue of audio /visual requirements in the new clubrooms was raised. Flat screen TV and a data projector prices to be checked. Graeme reported on Canmod progress, the website needs to be updated to accommodate registrations. It is hoped that the restrictions on the 2204 boilers will be solved by Canmod time. Kelvin reminded members of a number of Constitution issues. Significant expenditure requires approval by the membership at a Special Meeting. That the "special powers" granted to the Executive Committee enables the Committee to accept the Loan offered by the CCC.

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Our committee has agreed that we proceed with applying for permission to stock the pond with a suitable species of fish to keep the weed under control for the future.

We are not far away from having the two gates installed at the dock to keep the public out of this area.

I look forward to great boating during the coming months in a weed free pond and an increase in member's participation.

New Years Day Picnic





Any suggestions, comments or items for inclusion in the bulletin can be sent directly to thatwhillislot6@kinect.co.nz

The Dock Side