#### From the President's desk

Our sincere sympathy is extended to club-member George Maylam and family on the passing of his wife Alison.

We are producing a monthly bulletin to ensure that the members are kept up to date with what's happening in and around the club, including:

- What the committee has being doing
- Reports and photos from the departments
- Up coming events
   It will be a one page bulletin, double-sided and in color. It will be distributed to members:
- 1. By email.
- Handed out at the general meeting where the members will tick off their name on a list.
- 3. A small amount will be mailed out. The bulletin will not be sent out to overseas clubs. There will be a larger newsletter sent out once or twice a year to everyone.

  John Howie



It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of our Past-President and Life Member: Allan Orwin.

Alan was President of CSMEE for 16 years and retired at the last AGM.

He will be missed for his knowledge of all matters related to the club and his dry sense of humour.

Our sympathy goes to Marjorie and family.

### **CLUB CONTACTS**

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Track maintenance goes ahead rain, hail or snow!
George Johnson busy welding.

From the June Committee Meeting Pond Signage. Graeme to organise a 'plastic on plastic' sign to read "Please do not feed ducks in this area." Rob noted a lack of locos on the raised track, and questioned if there was sufficient opportunity for younger members to express their satisfaction with their club participation. Rob thanked Mike Harrison for his assistance and George and Ian for their on going work in the steaming bay. Jock reported that the Aust. Code for 2205 Stainless Steel has been approved in Australia. John reported that the builders have completed their contract. LIBRARY: Jim Rosanoski addressed a number of library concerns. The librarian process's 80+ magazines a year The limited display/storage space in the new clubrooms presents the need to rethink the functioning of the library. How important is it to carry duplicate copies of magazines. Is it feasible to consider Online subscriptions? Should DVD "Achive" subscriptions be considered? Current magazine subscriptions cost approx \$1200.00. SAFETY& BOILER: The following issues have been considered. Stability is all important when loading trolleys. Warn people of tripping hazards in the steaming bay. The gate should be kept closed on a Sunday. Drivers are responsible to stop the endangering behaviour of children that are racing their train. Driver Training. Rob will advise of a Sun morning driver session. Further instruction can be accommodated within normal run day sessions.

Thanks to Phil for his on going care of the grounds. A gold coin donation can get you a few donated magazines.

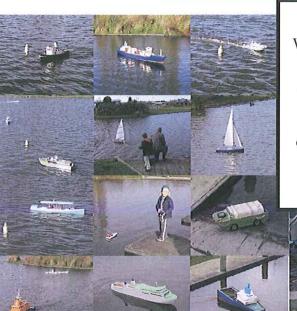
From the Loco Foreman I was going to write a short dissertation about the joys of building and driving locos at the Halswell and other sites. However the extremely sad news of the loss of our former President Alan Orwin while on holiday back in England, plus the losses suffered by other members in our club, has changed my topic. In his time, Alan achieved many excellent outcomes for the Canterbury Society of Model and Experimental Engineers, least of which was his stewardship of the move from Andrews Crescent to our outstanding Halswell site. Alan was a man of few words but could express himself succinctly and clearly when required and stood fools none too kindly, however under that sometimes gruff exterior there was a kind and generous soul. Alan has left us with his latest loco, a BR Class 20, started but unfinished. This leads me to the point of this little essay. Don't put off till tomorrow, what you may be able to finish today and most of all, with the enduring memory of Alan's ear to ear grin when driving Alex's Rio Grande, enjoy everyday to the utmost. My sincere condolences to all who have lost loved ones.

Rob Wilson.



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## Commodore's Corner

We had ten people boating on the 10th July. Two of them were from the QEII boat club. This was a very encouraging turnout. See photos of most of the boats in attendance.

We now have three buoys positioned in the pond for people to sail around.

I would like to see the 'Skimmer' boats that members are building completed and on the water. I have just made one from polystyrene foam.

See under 'other stuff' on our web site for the plans of this model. Dean Farrow



Great work being done by Ian and his team altering tracks outside the Engine shed. The new clubroom is in the background



Free wooden patterns at Andrews Cr.



Floating rings to be placed in the Pond displaying a notice to ask:

## PLEASE DON'T FEED THE DUCKS



#### Meeting Nights

Meetings are on Tuesdays, 7.30pm, at the clubrooms in Andrews Cr. 1st Tuesday: General Meeting with guest speaker. 2nd Tuesday: Boat Club. 3rd Tuesday: Nod and Natter night 4th Tuesday: Committee Meeting. Most Saturdays are working party days at Halswell. John Hamilton 338 2497

## Convention 2012

On Thursday January 5 to Monday January 9, 2012

the Whangarei Model Engineering Club will host the

Model Engineering Association of New Zealand Convention.

HELP WANTED 1 Trolley couplings A person(s) to check the number of coupling bolts, drill them for R clips then attach the bolts to the bars with a light chain . 2 Anti Tipping Rail on the raised track. We want to fit an anti tipping rail to the section through the Contact John Hamilton. trees. A group of 2 or 3 members are require to install this section.