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CLUB CONTACTS:

Club Patron: Mr Keith Whiteley President: John Howie – 3287459 Vice President: John Hamilton – 3382497 Secretary: Russell Gifford - 3773432 Treasurer: Mike James - 3834985 Loco Foreman: Rob Wilson – 9604305 Commodore: Dean Farrow - 3396319

REMINDER: SUBS

Discount valid until awards night.				
Subs	Full Price	Discount		
Town	\$100.00	\$90.00		
Associate	\$ 70.00	\$60.00		
Retired	\$ 100.00	\$70.00		
Junior	\$ 25.00	\$25.00		
Family	\$105.00	\$95.00		
Subs can be paid online :				
Westpac 031703:0032951=00.				
Cheque: CSMEE PO Box 33294				
Barrington 8244.				
Year Ending 31/3/2012				

From the President's desk:

Hello Everyone; how the months go by!

Thanks to all who attended the celebration of Alan Orwin's life; Marjorie and the family were really pleased with the way things went. After the ceremony, everyone had ride on the train in remembrance of Alan, who often enjoyed driving a few rounds on a Sunday. Marjorie said that she hopes to stay involved with the club's activities.

Sunday running has seen a good public turn-out. Thanks to all the regular helpers who turn up, not just the people rostered on. Please keep coming and enjoying the fellowship and playing trains, after all that's all part of the fun. **Boating:** With the good weather and no weed, boating is a pleasure; there certainly seems to be a more boats on the pond, which is great. Just wait until we get the skimmers on the water!

Back Carpark: If you use this to get to the pond, please watch for trains (they can come up on you quickly) and remember to put the chain back up after you pass through.

New Clubrooms: The drains are finished and in the ground - cutting through at least six water pipes during the job just added to the challenge! Thanks to Euan and the team who helped lay the concrete slab. Things are starting to take shape: we have all the heaters and lights just waiting to go up and the steel work has been purchased for the roof along the station side, thanks to Graeme. Insurance: All private locos and rolling stock, while working for CSMEE, are insured. This includes Public Liability. Any damage to your loco is not covered by CSMEE insurance. This will need to be covered by your own home contents insurance

Keep on training!

From the September Committee Meeting: Matters Arising: Decision to limit "parties" to two per month, only on

weekdays. Considerable goodwill develops from these events. John Beauchamp raised the issue of the discretionary practices that apply to ticket selling. A laminated guide sheet for ticket sellers is to be provided.

Halswell GLT: One new Trolley 'account' - Parkhouse Garden Supplies. Thanks to Dave and Trevor for their work on the bridge. Soil to be levelled out to provide disabled access around clubrooms .Toilet floor to be painted. Water Softener to be installed. Posts to be installed where cones currently placed.

Membership: Ian Marr to be accepted as a full member. Welcome to Kazuma Bandu.

Library: Jim presented a record of library borrowing over an 18 month period. Most magazines were well utilised with a strong borrowing of technical books. Model Shipwright had been less popular but it is unclear if members were aware of the content.

Publicity: Sufficient Notice Boards available for Show Weekend. Handouts needed for the Australia visit. Mike continuing supply of material to the "Go Guide" Press insert, but appealed for recent photos. A paid advertisement will be inserted for Show Weekend.

General Business: 2014 Convention was discussed at length. CSMEE will prepare a presentation to be delivered at Whangarei 2012 presenting our willingness to host the event. Graeme Chisnall appointed Chairman of the Convention Committee. Russell proposed construction of a hand-operated "jigger" to be used by children on the raised track on days when that track is not being used. There were no objections. It was suggested that boats might also be made available. Insurance: John advised that we now have Public liability cover (that is collateral damage to \$2,000,000) that applies for all members. There will be an added cost of approximately \$250.00. Visiting drivers and pond users will also be covered.

Loco Foreman's Report:

- Good returns from recent Sundays.
- Crossing bells and lights successfully installed.
- Pedestrian crossing lights to come.
- Bridge panels replaced.
- Jock and George attended the OMRRS (Mosgiel) Open Day.

For Sale: NZR Ab loco and tender wheels 7.5 and cvlinders plus approx 60 drawings mostly ex-NZR. Contact: Win Holdaway winlyn@clear.net.nz





September Edition







Commodore's Corner

We will hold our official pond sailing day on the third Sunday, 16th October.

The Canterbury Marine Festival at Lake Hood is to be held over the last weekend in October. Boating members will attend on the Saturday, 29th, as they are able. A Highland Games is to be held at Hororata on Saturday the 5th November. This is to raise money for the St Johns Church rebuilding fund. Our boating members have been invited to attend this and it is hoped that suitable water will be available for sailing.

CAUTION: Attention has been drawn to safety issues with the boating people having to negotiate TWO railway crossings in the trees as part of access to our pond. PLEASE be very vigilant of possible TRAIN traffic when in this area.

CSMEE WORK DAY - SATURDAY 8TH October 9am – 3.30pm

Please come and help, meet others and have fun. Pick some jobs and bring the necessary items

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Station Area	Mow grass		
	Weed garden	Gloves	
	Add bark to garden	Shovel, wheel barrow	
Clubrooms	Top up trenches and grass	Grass seed	
	Remove grass along building	Trailer/Graeme's digger	
	Soil levelled around concrete	Barrows	
Track	Level and ballast	Shingle wheel barrow	
	Spray weeds	Terminator	
	Setup steel post in car park	Premix/cement	
	Steel post for new crossing	Premix/cement	
Steaming bay	Spray weeds		
	Shingle in steaming bay		
	Repair green fence		
	Clean under raised track		
Train shed	Repair/clean spouting	Ladder/scoop	
	Tidy inside		
	Wipe down trolleys	Rags	
	Clean locos	Polish/rags	
	Spread bark/tidy area	Wheel barrow	
Boat pond	Wash/clean jetties	Broom	
Track	Realign track under bridge		
	Crush coal		

Upcoming Events

4 October – CSMEE Awards Night 7.30pm. Set up from 6.30pm. 8 October – CSMEE Work Day 8-9 October - Big Model Train Show 15-16 October - Live Steamers Open Play for 7.25 29 October -Canterbury Marine Festival – Lake Hood 5 November – Highland Games Hororata



Can you help?

Trolley couplings To check the number of coupling bolts, drill them for R clips then attach the bolts to the bars with a light chain. *Anti Tipping Rail on the Raised Track* A group of 2 or 3 members to fit an anti-tipping rail to the section through the trees.

Contact John Hamilton to discuss.

Community Fundraiser

The club has fundraiser tickets that other groups can sell to raise funds for their organizations. If you know of a group that looking to raise funds let them know we can help. They should contact John Hamilton to discuss and arrange.

Just For a Laugh

A fire near a farm proved more than the local fire brigade could handle and a nearby volunteer group was called. They duly arrived in a dilapidated old fire truck which rumbled straight up to and into the middle of the flames! Springing into action from mid-fire, the volunteers' furious hose-work soon had the centre of the fire beaten in a display which prompted the grateful farmer to present them with a cheque for \$1,000. Later the volunteer Fire Chief was asked what the station would do

with the funds. "Well, first off," he responded, wiping the ash from his coat, "I guess we'd better we'll fix the brakes on the bloody truck!"

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

Meeting Nights		
Meetings are on Tuesdays, 7.30pm, at the clubroor		
in Andrews Crescent.		
<u>1st Tuesday</u> : General Meeting, guest speaker		
2nd Tuesday: Boat meeting		
3rd Tuesday: Nod and Natter night		
4th Tuesday: Committee Meeting		
Most Saturdays are working party days at Halswell.		
Ring John Hamilton 338 2497		

