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Loco Foreman's Report:

Club room's progress has been good with the concrete apron now in place. FP 45 has a new air compressor.

Dave Markham has fitted WOF pockets to all wagons. These to be fitted to Club Locos and to member owned locos.

Recent Sunday attendances have required 5 trains with either 2 or 3 wagons.

Some recent 'traverser issues suggest the need for a regular maintenance schedule.

A MEANZ Audit will be held later in the year. John Beauchamp was thanked

for his fortitude and endurance.

From the President's desk:

Winter has really set in with frost on

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the ground and not much sun. Sitting on the F7 in a temperature of 8 to 11 degrees is sure to keep your fingers cold! We have experienced our first dump of snow of around 150 millimetres luckily it was not on a Sunday.

Many thanks go to all members, who turn up to do the jobs on our workdays. We now have the hot water on in the kitchen. The clubrooms are coming along great. The veranda fascia is on and ready for the iron. Thanks to all, who turned up at 6.30am to help pour the concrete for the patio. It was all barrowed in and finished by 10.30 am! It's all finished along the front of the clubroom now, with the Halswell stone inserted around the veranda pipe work. This looks really smart, thanks to Ewan and John. The storm water drains are in, we are now ready to complete the rest of the concrete work out to the railway line, after which landscaping will be done. The vinyl and carpet samples have arrived for inspection. The kitchen needs some finishing and the dishwasher is still to be installed. Thanks Malcolm, for the plumbing work.

The engine shed plans are due to be submitted to the council for the building consent.

Work has started again on the raised track; Dave and Ian are progressing well with the tipping rail, while others are getting on with the concrete work. The soft water line has been laid across to the raised track station area. The Wednesday work team has now grown to around 12 men and this is making a huge impact on the speed that the work is progressing. To all our retired members who would like to join us on a Wednesday from 9 till 1pm with lunch provided, I'd like to invite you to come along for a great time and to get to know other members. You will notice that there are new chains across the gates, one at the Scout den and the other at the RLFC gymnasium. Our club key fits one of the two locks on these chains. If you are the last to leave and there are no cars in the carpark lock all chains-If there are cars there only lock the chain to the CSMEE entrance! *Keep on Training.*

From the June Committee Meeting:

HALSWELL GLT: Barge board will be fitted 27th. Veranda roof has been ordered. John and Ewan have been laying Halswell Stone. Spouting will be fitted when roof is in place. Shower floor has been ground. Malcolm has installed the kitchen HW system. An 'air switch' is to be fitted to the waste disposal. The train shed will have a Stratco roof John has an engineer quote for \$1000.00 which includes checking drawings and a soil test. A scrap metal collection will occur on July 4th (both sites).

WEBSITE. John Begg suggested we use a generic password for the member section of the website. Initial content to include Membership List, Items for Buy & Sell, and Workday tasks.

LIBRARY: A new Bookbinder be appointed. Dave circulated a bound copy. Agreed that the superior workmanship was worth the added cost. Dave has organised a "single copies" folder for issues that await binding. The PO Box is to be moved to Halswell when the PO can accommodate. Suggested a library layout for the new clubrooms. Agreed to examine the possibilities further before final decision.

NEWSLETTER: John reported that circulation of "Canterbury Tales" (at this stage collated copies of the Bulletin) is on hand to NZ Clubs and Overseas publications.

GENERAL BUSINESS: 'Code of Conduct' circulated, agreed that this should remain at awareness level rather than proceed to documentation. No further correspondence for Manuka Cottage. Stocks of young trees are freely available if the Club decides to proceed with further planting. Patrick Whillis' request to supply train ride tickets to Facebook enthusiasts was approved. John Hamilton provided two landscaping options. Some reservations expressed re using decking timber at ground level. In response to a letter from Halswell RLFC it was agreed to install two further chains on the entrance Road. One at the Scout Den, the other at the building closest to our engine shed. Russell Gifford mentioned that it was the intention to have the Les Button equipment for sale on July 3rd. (subject to pricing being completed.)







Commodore's Corner

I have continued to work on filling behind pond edging boards.

Dockyard fencing costs are likely to be \$1600.00. We will investigate other suppliers before a final decision is made.

John Begg produced fibre glass yacht hulls are being made from Phil Robinson's mould.



REMINDER: SUBS

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