-From the Engine Shed

CLUB CONTACTS

Officers for 2012-2013				
Patron	MIT NEITH WINITER	≅y		
President	John Howie	328 7459		
Vice President	John Hamilton	338 2497		
Secretary	Russell Gifford	377 3432		
Treasurer	Alistair Ward	351 9654		
Loco Foreman	Rob Wilson	339 6319		
Commodore	Dean Farrow	339 6319		
Committee Members				
Graeme Chisnal	03 313 1781	Peter Grounds	343 1443	
Robin Shand	338 2111	Mike Harrison	03 349 6946	
Neale Craighead	960 8796	John Begg	339 8448	
Safety Committee		Boiler Committee		
Mike James	383 4985	Jock Miller	332 1614	
Ian Fanshawe	942 2937	Ian Fanshawe	942 2937	
John Hamilton	338 2497	Mike James	383 4985	
Rob Wilson	960 4305	John Hamilton	338 2497	
Jock Miller	332 1614	George Johnson	338 5928	
Malcolm Cowie	980 6610	George Hodges	385 8928	
Dean Farrow	399 6319			
Constitution & Rules Committee				
Kelvin Lewis	358 5377	Sam Farr	326 6910	
		John Howie	328 7459	
Volunteer Positions				
Librarian		Dave Markham	322 7524	
Ass. Librarian		Jim Rosanowski	332 1370	
Project Manager		John Hamilton	338 2497	
Archivist		Kelvin Lewis	358 5377	
Webmaster		John Begg	339 8448	
Publicity		John Beauchamp	960 1703	
Visiting Speakers		John Begg	339 8448	
Ass. Visiting Speakers		Russell Gifford	377 3432	
Membership		John Howie	328 7459	
Canterbury Tales		John Pattinson	329 4441	
Bulletin		Anna Whillis	382 6452	
Engine Shed Foreman		Alan Barlow	344 0244	
Ass. Engine Shed Foreman		Mike Harrison	349 6946	
Suppers		Ray Lawrence	942 3633	

From the President's desk:

The AGM has come and gone and

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there were some changes to the Executive Committee and Volunteer positions. Thank you Mike for all your work as Club Treasurer. I would also like to thank last year's executive for their help; I look forward to working with you again this year.

The club run days have been good. Most Sundays have been fine with a good turnout of families having fun at the park. Thanks to all members who turn up to work or play trains or boats. The back filling around the pond edges is continuing. Dean has been working on this every Wednesday all alone! So, if there are some retired boatie members free on a Wednesday to give him a hand I am sure he would appreciate the help and you get a free lunch.

Work is progressing in front of the clubroom. The boxing is done, thanks to Ewan, Richard and others. We are now ready for the concrete to be laid. There will be a strip of Halswell stone laid at each veranda post to will break up the large expanses of concrete work. The iron and timberwork are ready to go on the veranda roof in the next week or so. The kitchen units have been installed and waiting for the Formica top to be fitted. Thanks to all the Wednesday and Saturdays workers. John Hamilton is working on the plans for the engine and trolley shed extensions. Graeme Chisnall is working on Cammod 2 and we still need some ideas on the 'Les Moore Trophy', a rail based 'challenge'. Remember the Natter Night 3rd Tuesday is for anyone with ideas for Convention 2014.

A reminder to all Members of CSMEE. We do prefer non-members to not use our clubroom facilities. However if you see a stranger in the clubroom please make sure that you check who they are and who they are with before you tell them that the building is for members only. In time, there will be signage on the building. Also, please make sure all doors, windows and padlocks are locked on Sunday. Last one out shuts the gate, chain in our case!

Thanks to Dave Markham who is working on the library system looks like a big job. Also on the July 3rd General meeting night, Les Button's workshop equipment will be on sale at Andrews Cres.

Finally, an Invitation to a Great Night's Entertainment - A Riccartonian Palace of Varieties. I can thoroughly recommend this show. Contact John Begg for more information. **Keep on Training**.

From the May Committee Meeting:

HALSWELL GLT: Graeme reported on Saturday's work. Veranda steel work is in place. A steel box for a socket outlet is in place. Dave reported the Wed team have installed the stair rail.

MEMBERSHIP: Welcome to Chris Knowles and Ian Coates (Greymouth)

WEBSITE: John reported that the site has 12,100 'visits'. The potential uses of the 'members only' section of the site were discussed. Suggested content included: Membership list, Copy of Operating Manual, The Drivers Test, A Buy /sell section, Committee Meeting Minutes, Bank Acc. No, Matters for Committee consideration prior to meetings. Some topics generated discussion and further consideration as did the design of the password system.

LIBRARY: Dave presented a 9-point question sheet focussing on the installation of the library at Halswell and future library developments. The questions were distributed for future discussion.

CANTERBURY TALES: John Pattinson is welcomed as the new Canterbury Tales Editor.

GENERAL BUSINESS: Some misunderstandings have occurred over nonmember use of the clubhouse facilities. Remonstration should remain courteous particularly if individual identity is not fully established. Nothing further has developed from the 'Manuka Cottage' proposal. Graeme suggested a further planning meeting for Canmod on "Natter Night" Graeme has organised a supply of 'Coasters' to accompany publicity mailings for Canmod. Dave also reported that the Engine Shed doors had been found with the essential locking bars missing.

Loco Foreman's Report:

Thanks to the members who have: Improved the Siberia bank, Worked on the veranda structure and Maintained the electrical signalling systems.

There is an issue of workload imposed by busy run days. Run days need sufficient members to 'spell' rostered drivers, controllers etc. Possibly, we could reduce running hours during the winter season. Car driver inattention at level crossings remains a concern.









Commodore's Corner

The May sailing day coincided with a beautiful day, however there were only three club members present. This was disappointing. However, good use was made of the two club boats. Recent incidents with the general public getting in the way and touching boats, have prompted a request to the committee to consider fencing off the dock area. The cost is currently being determined. Remedial work is continuing to be done around the edge of the pond.

I look forward to seeing our boaties pond side on fine sailing days.





Meeting NightsMeetings are on Tuesdays, 7.30pm, at the clubrooms in
Andrews Crescent.1st Tuesday: General Meeting, guest speaker
2nd Tuesday: Boat meeting
3rd Tuesday: Nod and Natter night
4th Tuesday: Committee Meeting
Ring John Hamilton 338 2497
Work Days: Wednesdays 9am – 1pm



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			
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Year Ending 31/3/2013					

<u>"A Riccartonian Palace of Varieties"</u>

once again promises to deliver an exciting array of music, sketches, fun, frolics and mayhem of bygone eras.

Performance Schedule:

Wednesday 6th June to Saturday 9th June: 8.00pm Saturday 9th June: 2.00pm & 8.00pm Wednesday 13th June to Saturday 16th June: 8.00pm Saturday 16th June: 2.00pm & 8.00pm ChCh South Intermediate School, 204 Selwyn St If you book through John Begg, and get a voucher, you get all tickets for \$12 each.



Drivers Wanted!

The club needs you to drive the club locos on Sunday running days. If you can spare an hour to drive either of the 4 club locos, the F7, F45S, Kermit the French shunter or the 08, please make yourself available or better yet let us know when you would like to come, you will be most welcome.

Also the "revised" new edition of the CSMEE Drivers Licence is available for collection from me. It is identifiable by being laminated, printed on a smaller yellow card with CSMEE in red type. Look forward to seeing you all at Halswell. *Rob Wilson, Loco Foreman.*





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