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Loco Foreman's Report:

Our run-days are getting easier to make a very reasonable return. The shortfall in ride cars has been acted on and the parts are in process of procurement and manufacture. The new cars will feature the Mk3 bogies and have diaphragm brake pistons rather than the complicated previous versions.

With the run-through points on the outbound tracks, trains can be dispatched very quickly now although public numbers seem to get greater later in the afternoon. Ian and Georges' point manufacturing group have virtually completed the three actuated points for the inbound tracks. Robin and his signal group are working on the point control and track indication system.

It is good to see more use of the raised track by Patrick and Jayden using the clubs 08. I would like some discussion initiated in perhaps the club making 4 or 6 wheel powered chassis kits (IC motor and centrifugal clutch, laser cut side frames, wheels similar to ride-on wagons etc.) available either for senior or perhaps importantly iunior more members to construct and use. As always many thanks to all our volunteers each and every workdays. and The run progress forward for the club always astounds me.

From the Presidents Desk

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We are all back again for another year. My thanks

for the support from the committee and volunteers without their help and dedication to the running of our club we would not function. We welcome Cameron Bishop to the committee as the only new member. We are still busy on the engine shed and waiting for the block layer to start as the weather has held up progress. Work is continuing with the points, thanks to lan and George and their team. The fence line is being re-aligned at the engine shed to accommodate the tracks going into the new trolley shed. The raised track had a good work out on Sunday for the last time for a while. Dave Campbell is going to be making some alterations on the banana to make it easier to enter the raised track mainline. This may take about three months. On fine days the Sunday run days are still attracting many visitors. Thanks to Ewan and helpers, the pedestrian crossing is finished. The pavers are down at the ticket box thanks to Alan Barlow and John Beauchamp. The display shelves are filling up with models. Anv member who wishes to display models please let us know and a place will become available. We are looking for a caretaker to look after and clean the models on display. Reminder to all members Please no parking on the league fields until further notice! Only use the track down to the clubrooms if delivering goods.

Dave Markham is making a great job of sorting out the library. It is starting to come together and it's much easier to find what you are looking for. Please make sure you sign in and on returning sign out. There are some boxes of books that are surplus to requirements these are free, also a number of DVDs for sale at \$2.00 if you are looking for loco or boat plans they in the drawers and these are locked at the moment. Keys are with John Howie, John Hamilton, Jim Rosanowski, Dave Markham and Dean Farrow. Check out our Website for more info.





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GRASS

Now that the weather has turned a little wet it would be preferable if we did **not** drive down to the clubroom on the soccer fields for the time being. It's cutting up the ground and I am sure the CCC would take a dim view, what with the building that's going on, the area is taking a beating. If you are delivering goods to the clubroom or pond end, please use the track only. You can park at the engine shed or the public carpark over the next month or SO. for your cooperation. - John Howie



The Council Botanist is continuing discussions regarding the Carp with other Council staff.

I have contacted a DOC officer regarding the same issue.

The spoil from Ticket box excavations has been usefully placed at pond edges.

Construction (Below) And It What Is

Based On (Above)



Recent Run Dav

<u>REMINDER: SUBS</u> Discount valid until awards night

(First week of October).SubsFull PriceDiscountTown\$100.00\$90.00Associate\$ 70.00\$60.00Retired\$ 100.00\$70.00

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 CSMEE
 PO Box 37307

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 Year Ending 31/3/2014



If anyone has an Eaton Drive for sale could they please contact me? - John Howie

Engine Shed Additions

Junior

From the May Committee Meeting:

Halswell GLT: The concreting of the pond side pedestrian crossing is almost completed. Pavers have been set in front of the ticket box. The train shed project is currently being held up due to the block layer being disabled. Preparation of the area in front of the trolley shed is about to begin. Ian is still working on turnouts.

Archivist & Constitution Sub-Committee: Kelvin will forward to the Secretary the documentation to be sent on to the Registrar of Societies.

General Business: John raised concerns expressed by some members regarding modifications to track and steaming bay structures that are being proposed. It was agreed that experience over time will inevitably suggest changes and improvements. Proposed changes need to be supported by drawings. The Fielden model (Kb) has been installed in the clubrooms. Sound System is fully installed. Models on display need a cleanup possibly at a Natter Night or at a General Meeting. A Model "Caretaker" be assigned at the next General Meeting. Possibility of a new 8 x 4 building which could cater for ticket selling for both tracks with EFTPOS. Present structures to be modified for Canmod.

Dave Markham: Dave outlined the cataloguing system for the books and DVD's. There are 5 copies of the keys for drawers. Plans are labelled; B for Boats, L for Locomotives and T for Traction Engines. Books are similarly labelled. The new issue book needs only the correct label and number. Magazine subscriptions should be transferred to online subscriptions at some future date. Surplus books are free for members to take. The meeting decided that there was no need to keep 3rd copies of ME.

Canmod: Registrations beginning to arrive.





Any suggestions, comments or items for inclusion in the bulletin can be sent directly to that whill is lot 6@kinect.co.nz