CLUB CONTACTS:

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Loco Foreman's Report:

The issue of signalmen putting locos off by altering the point settings has again highlighted the shortcomings of the "Stub type" points. We already have a policy to enable lan F to make up a prototypical test point to trial in the "outbound" trackage from the station. This trial will occur sooner if people are prepared to offer lan assistance in manufacture and installation.

I have noticed some drivers speeding, especially through the trees. The speed indicator signs should be obeyed especially on the approach to the road crossing.

We should make it a Safety Policy that kids running beside trains are asked to desist before an accident occurs.

I am pleased to see that the Track and Signal Group is essentially formed.

With the Clubrooms now all but finished I would personally like to thanks all involved in the gestation and construction of what is surely a "top class" facility. Thanks also to the Wednesday group who keep the grounds and surrounds in such great shape as well and to the Sunday Run day operators as well.



From the President's desk:

We have been lucky with the weather and most

Sundays have been fine. Let's hope that continues. Show weekend (16-18 November) is our big weekend and we need your help! Running times are 10am to 4pm. On Saturday we will have a BBQ tea about 6pm and a night run. Please email or ring me if you are available to help. A Day manager is needed for Saturday and duties will break up into 2 hours slots. Members are asked to supply biscuits or cake for Morning & Afternoon teas. Phone John Beauchamp on 960 1703 if you want to help with the ticket box. Welcome to all members from other parts of New Zealand, we are looking forward to catch up with fellow engineers. Rob and I are compiling a list of people for point's duty. A few derailments have made us aware of some need for on the job training to ensure that all the people on point's duty are comfortable.

The clubrooms are nearly finished, the carpet and vinyl has been laid, the concrete has to be sealed, painting finished and curtains to go up. Our next General meeting is on 4 December starting with a BBQ at 6.30pm and will be held at Halswell. The clubrooms will be officially opened at 7.45pm and will be followed by a night run. All members and family welcome. Please RSVP by 26th November.

Thanks to the Wednesday team work around the site is progressing well. If you have some spare time, come along, it's a social event with a bit work and lunch provided. There will always be plenty to do from 9am to 1pm.

The dreaded weed is coming back in the Pond. Sailing is still good at the moment but we are going have to get the weed demolisher back in the next month or so. *Have fun on Show weekend. Keep on Training.*



From the November Committee Meeting:

Matters Arising: Marge Orwin has agreed to do Show Weekend lunches. A church group will do the barbecue.

MEANZ: Rob reported on the recent meeting of the MEANZ Exec at Cambridge11 Amusement Device Regulation applications have been submitted to Wellington. Clubs are reminded of the requirement to complete an audit process before applying for registration. There is, as yet, no Code covering Duplex Boilers. MEANZ will address this issue in a forthcoming update. A goodwill visit to the Hamilton club included an observation of their dual gauge points and vacuum braking systems.

Halswell GLT: One trolley still needs a sponsor. The installation of the anti-tipping rail is now completed. The 'signal like' fittings on the downpipes will be installed for Show Weekend but will need galvanising later. The flooring is laid. The kitchen and toilet areas are almost finished. The fire alarms have been fitted and wait testing. A new engineering company is undertaking the completion of the engine shed extension requirements. **Membership:** Welcome to Reuben Ashley.

General Business: Show Weekend Car parking to be on Football grounds. Members are asked to supply biscuits and/or cake for Morning & Afternoon teas. Trains to enter mainline via track 5, to turntable and on to selected line. Times: 10.00 - 4.00 on Fri, Sat, & Sun. John will camp onsite to provide a security presence. There will be a night run on Sat. 7.00-9.00. Boating activity to be encouraged. It was concluded that a model display ought to be presented on public occasions although housing the display is not yet decided. It was suggested that an invitation could be made to members of the Facebook community to attend a special run event. **Canmod Progress:** Most responsibilities now allocated. Still some overseas publications to contact. Graeme may be able to source a supply of discounted tools. John displayed a plaque which has been prepared for Phil Rich in appreciation of his commitment to keeping Andrews Crescent grounds tidy.

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Commodore's Corner

Noel Wonnacott's new boat had its maiden voyage recently. It was great to see it on the pond.

The skimmers are finally multiplying. I am pleased to report that John Begg has had his blue one on the water too. The brushless motor sure makes it go. With the motor, controller and battery available locally, I hope that we will now see more of these completed. They are so easy to construct and are great performers on the pond. We may even be able to have races.

Unfortunately the pond weed has returned. This will need to be dealt with again very soon. With the warmer weather now coming I hope to see a lot more activity on the water.



The Dock Side









I loaned my Super Models DVDs to someone at a boat meeting around three months ago and I cannot remember who it was. I would like them returned please.

> Regards, Derek

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Associate	\$ 70.00
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NEW PO BOX

Please note that the club has a new postal address: PO Box 37307 Christchurch 8245

Alistair Marshall I am a new member of CSMEE but a long-time fan of steam and machinery. I am restoring a 5" gauge Ww locomotive (left) built by my Dad, Jerry forty years ago. He ran it for 15 years in Blenheim and Christchurch. My plan is to have it back on the track in time for the show weekend meeting; my recent focus has been on restoring worn parts and adding detail. Fingers crossed... I will also have a stationary engine on display that I hope to run throughout the weekend. It is a 2000hp Bristol Hercules radial engine (left) that once helped power a Bristol Freighter aircraft. It is mounted on its own trailer and with a cut-down propeller; it can be run up for an audience.

Graduate Mechanical Engineer Currently I am completing a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours), Mechanical at the University of Canterbury, graduating in April 2013. I am seeking employment and am available to commence working from December 2012.

While I enjoy all aspects of engineering, my key areas of interest are in mechanical design, energy engineering and project management.

Maybe you can help; please contact me on 382 6452 or <u>annawhillis@gmail.com</u>. *Thanks, Anna Whillis – Bulletin Editor*



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