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Loco Foreman's Report:

This month has seen, with the improvement in the weather, an upsurge in the public numbers attending on Sunday Rundays. Much praise must go to Patrick and his band of willing helpers who have the facility ready to go well before start time. It still remains that these days, which do raise the finance that will allow us to improve and finish the facility at Halswell, are "manned" by just enough people to provide a safe days activity for the public and members alike.

It is suggested a "Signalling/ Track Group" be formed to make recommendations to the committee regarding the future development of the signalling systems and track-age improvements for both tracks at Halswell. Any interested persons please apply. We require others to assist i.e. welders, machinists, assemblers etc.

Thanks as always to all the members who give so freely of their time to make our Halswell facility the success it is.



From the President's desk:

We have been lucky with the weather and most

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Sunday run days have been fine. I held back the monthly Bulletin until the Awards night and congratulate all those members who entered their models. There were not a large number of entries this year but I guess there are still workshops not fully repaired after the earthquakes. Next year the awards night will be at Halswell. Thanks to those who helped setup and to all who came along and made the night a success.

The clubrooms are now ready for the carpet and vinyl to be laid, after which the dishwasher will be installed and a small amount of painting will be done and curtains will be fitted. Chairs and tables to be installed and once that's completed we will start having our meetings at Halswell. John has been busy getting the grounds planted and grass seed in. Ewan has a small amount work to do on the concrete and some timber to go in between the rail. Thanks to the Wednesday team, the raised track tipping rail is all but finished. Thanks to those people who turned up to pour concrete at 7am one Saturday. A great effort and the job was finished by 10am. The Wednesday work will continue so if you have some spare time, come along between 9am and 1pm, it's a social event with a bit work and lunch provided. Congratulations to John Hamilton who has been awarded a Life Membership. Our next big event is Show weekend 16-18 November from 10am to 4pm each day. Saturday Night is a BBQ plus night run. Please contact me on 328 7459 if you are available to help with working on the station or points. I require a day manager for Friday and Saturday and the days will be broken up into 2 hour sections each day. John Beauchamp will be doing the ticket box roster for the weekend, email or ring him 960 1703. This will be a fun and busy weekend so we will need all the help we can get. Welcome to all members from other parts of NZ who are thinking about coming, it's always great to catch up with fellow engineers. Parties are starting to make inquiries and we will endeavour to keep you informed on dates. The opening of our NEW clubrooms will be on December 4th, with a BBQ at 6.30pm, the Official opening at 7.45pm and this will be followed by a night run. All members and family welcome.

Keep on Training



From the October Committee Meeting:

MEANZ: Rob is to attend a Meanz Executive meeting in Hamilton. He is to present a CSMEE letter requesting an OSH response to the 2205 Boiler Code.

Halswell GLT: Plants have been made available, the "signal-like" kits of parts are ready for installation and the Club Rooms have been cleared in preparation for laying floor coverings.

Publicity: No report but mention was made of the quantity of CSMEE comment made on Facebook.

Boiler Committee: A number of key "boiler" issues were discussed including steel boiler water treatment and welding standards, copper boiler TIG Welding and frequency of testing, fusible plugs and testing of airbrake tanks. A major concern was the awaited OSH approval of the 2205 Code for S.S. Boilers.

The official Opening of the new Club Rooms will be conducted during the December General Meeting. The barbecue will be followed by a night run.

Rob Wilson: Rob has prepared a document on a number of track issues including a need of further signals, entry/exit safety signals would be required for a tunnel, drivers could facilitate more efficient loading of trains if they brought their trains forward for loading when the station platform is clear, a signal gantry could be considered. There is a developing problem with members of the public wandering onto the station area.

Peter Grounds: The Halloween event is to be repeated after a request from Halswell Baptist church was received.



The Dock Side





Commodore's Corner

There is very little to report this month. I am disappointed at the continuing lack of boating members putting boats on the water. We have had to visitors turn up and sail the tug boat (see photo).

It was great to see John Begg's brand new skimmer in action too, even though it did lack a driver. Well done, and using a brushless motor is the way to go.

I would love to see more of these models finished and on the pond. There are other hulls that have already been cut out of foam and just need finishing.

Hope to see you pond-side.













NEW PO BOX

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

REMINDER: SUBS

Subs	Full Price
Town	\$100.00
Associate	\$ 70.00
Retired	\$ 100.00
Junior	\$ 25.00
Family	\$105.00

Subs can be paid
Online: Westpac
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PO Box 37307
Christchurch 8245.
Year Ending
31/3/2013

AWARD RECIPIENTS

The following awards were presented during Awards Night. Harrison Cup – Best Boat

Noel Wonnacott
Powell Shield – Best Workshop

Equipment Dick Pierre

Canterbury Trophy – 7 1/4 Loco
Rob Wilson

Curry Cup – Best Workmanship Noel Wonnacott

Moody Cup – Best Anything
Mike Harrison

Presidents Cup – Best Small Item

Dean Farrow

