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Loco Foreman's Report

The new incoming points are in place. Thanks to Ian and his team for the work on the points. Thanks to Robin and his team for their efforts with installing the control system.

Also, thanks to Jock for his work on renovating the 08 Shunter. - Mike Harrison



From the President' s Desk

October 2013 Edition

Thanks to John Hamilton for standing in for me while

Anneke and I were overseas where we had a great time. One week in Dover, England to see the grandchildren and then two days in Holland to catch up with Anneke's relatives. Three days in Barcelona where we picked up our 10 night cruise to finish in Athens. We flew to Istanbul for 3 days, with 2 days in Gallipoli and Troy. We left Istanbul for Singapore and home 30 days after we left. It took us 7 days get over it but we must do it again some day. What's been happening around the club? The engine shed is not quite finished with just a few sheets of iron to go on and the doors to fit, with a little bit more painting and we can move in! Congratulations to all the members who entered their models in the awards. It was a great lineup of models and all well presented. I'm sorry all of you could not take away a trophy but there is always next year. Some dates to remember as Parties are starting to come in.

Check the CSMEE website and while you are there check out Canmod 2014. It is only 4 months away. Please register early, **Club members ring Neale Craighead 03 960 8796 on the final cost**. There are limited camping sites at Halswell please contact Graeme if you are looking at that option. Looking ahead: **The Little Big Train Show is on 19/20 October**. CSMEE has a stand and George would like some help. Ph 338 5928 if you can help out plus it's a good chance to display your Models. There is the **150 years New Zealand Rail at Labour Weekend at Ferrymead**.

Remember Show weekend November 15-17 will be a big weekend for us and I will be looking for help on Friday Saturday and Sunday. There is a bit of a short fall of members on Sundays at the moment so come on Lads and Ladies, it's a great way to work on our railway. There is driving trains, station work and selling tickets plus helping on the raised track. Dave Campbell has worked hard on getting the banana up and running and it's a great improvement and has made things a lot easer to use. Thanks Dave a great job. Thanks to Robin and Ian and their team who are making good progress on the incoming points with just a few electrical things to sort out. On Thursday 31st October there is a **Light party from 4pm to 7pm** we are expecting a large crowd so help is needed. Unfortunately our duck signs have been smashed off the posts as someone appears not to like them. The Wednesday team is working well and keeping up with the work load. Thanks guys any members that have some spare time on a Wednesday from 9am to 1pm just turn up. There is all ways something to do and lunch is provided.

Members are reminded of the obligation to wear name tags at meetings and run days. Finally there are still some books surplus to requirements and these are free, some DVDs are for sale at \$2.

Keep on training

From the September Committee Meeting:

Halswell GLT: The Train Shed doors are in place but require a new lock. Operation of the gantry for use in the train shed was described. A chain block has been loaned and castors are available. This unit will provide lifting capacity for any rolling stock item in the shed

Membership: Welcome to Dean Phillipson, Anthony Down, and Andrew Hurst.

Website: A video clip has been added.

Librarian: Dave reported that the Library is now fully indexed. The 2013 Magazines are in the folders. (Except USA Mags). 4 new DVD's have been acquired. 3 x "Great Railway Adventures" plus a short video of Phil Bellamy on Tinkerbell.

Publicity: "Date stickers" to be applied to the signs that are available for display in late Oct. in preparation for Show Weekend. **General Business:** "Addington Action" were interested in a 4 yr occupation of Andrews Crescent but CCC restricted this to 2 yrs. Local Community Board remains supportive that the building should not be demolished.

The marquee hire company are completing the necessary documentation for Canmod. Catering bookings are finalised. There are 22 registrations to date. A trial order for shirts has been placed for Show Weekend. Badges are on hand. The Awards list is being updated. Availability of further trolleys would reduce ride queue length and thus increase revenue. A number of members have offered short term loans to finance the trolley project. Alistair provided a spreadsheet summarising the club's financial position over the next 12 months. On some Sundays there are not enough personnel, at least at the beginning of operations. There was some doubt expressed as to whether the phone reminder system was working. It was agreed that ongoing effort was needed to increase the fraction of the membership who actively participates on a Sunday. A further suggestion was to encourage wives/partners to participate on occasion. Currently there is a list of approx 40 members who can be called on to fill rosters. "The Big Little Train Show" is on in October and the 150yr Celebration of NZ Railways to be held at Ferrymead at Labour Weekend.



Commodore's Corner

3 "duck" signs have been installed. "Liquid Fence" has been purchased. Pond water is clear at the moment. There was a good attendance at last sailing day.

Pond spraying is planned for mid October.



For Sale: Reasonable Offers. Contact John Howie

> John Hamilton's New Engine on its First Run





Dave Pringle's Steam Boat. Winner of the Harrison



Congratulations to this year's award winners:

Banana in Action

Ian Fanshawe Moody Cup (Best Overall Model), Curry Cup (Best Workmanship in Any Model) and Canterbury Railways Trophy (Best 7 1/4" Loco or Rolling Stock) Dave Pringle Harrison Cup (Best Model Boat) Eddie Clark Presidents Cup (Best Small Model) Laurie James Kevin Welsh Cup (Best Road Vehicle) Jock Miller Powell Shield (Best Workshop Equipment)

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 031703 0032951 00 Cheque: CSMEE PO Box 37307 Christchurch 8245. Year Ending 31/3/2014





Jock Miller's Slotting Attachment, Winner of the Powell Shield

Ian Fanshawe's Robert the Bruce, Winner of the Moody Cup, Curry Cup and Canterbury Railways Trophy



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