



## CLUB CONTACTS:

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## From the President's Desk

It's nice to see the weather is improving slowly but rain has made the ground around the football fields and car parks very soft. Please keep off the grass for a while longer. The Wednesday team has been busy with track work and the pond edging is getting a makeover. We are about to embark on re-sowing the peninsula with Avanex grass as we are also trying out ways to discourage the ducks. If anyone has other ideas please come forward. If you have any time to spare come on out on a Wednesday between 9am to 2pm. Your lunch is provided. The last couple of weeks we had a good turn-out of public, we are creating a great family venue with many people enjoying themselves even if it's a bit cold. We are a bit thin on the ground with volunteers on Sundays. Please if you have time to help out on a Sunday come down as the drivers and station staff need a break sometimes. Many thanks to all our members who turn up every Sunday to play or work. At the last Committee meeting it was decided to extend the WOF for all locos and rolling stock out to 12 month not six. We are selling our head high gas heater for a start price \$50.00 to the first in. It is in good order but has no gas bottle.

We have been invited by the Marlborough Modellers to participate in their event at Waitangi Weekend, 5 and 6 February 2015. Travel by private car is probably the favoured option but car 'pooling' will be encouraged.

We are looking for models to be displayed in the clubrooms. Please contact Graeme 03 3131781 or Eddie Clark 359 9615

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## Loco Foreman's Report

Thanks to the Wednesday group for their effective work in the "trees" area.

Excessive speed continues to be an issue. This, in part, may be a training issue.

The modified bogies are performing well.

Documentation at the commencement of a run day is all important.

Recent run day



Club display



Dunedin's steaming bay

## From the Last Committee Meeting:

**MEANZ:** Registration of member clubs has been the foremost issue facing MEANZ. Communication with WorksafeNZ continues to be difficult. Delays in activating Registration from WorksafeNZ mean that fees paid earn much less 'coverage' than should be the case. MEANZ Reps communicate regularly via Teleconferencing and welcome enquiries from club members.

**Halswell GLT:** Weather has limited the Wednesday Team to focussing on indoor tidying apart some stabilisation work in the 'trees' area. The remaining issues with the construction of the Train Shed Extensions have been dealt with and await the final signoff document. Work continues on trolleys. One has been in service for 3 weeks and appears trouble free. Considering fitting sensor lights to the Train Shed.

**Membership:** Welcome to Alexander Howie

**Safety:** Possible development of a portable braking unit. A battery powered unit could be fitted as needed to trolleys currently without any braking facility. Driver training was discussed. Reminder: Driving Licences will expire in June 2015. Members are responsible for a 'Fit for Purpose' checklist that applies to their individual locos/wagons.

**Boiler:** No legal provision for the construction of Duplex (Stainless steel) boilers. Progress is being made with the status of Code 3 (for sub miniature boilers) and is relevant to our thinking toward the introduction of "G" gauge.

**General Business:** LPG column heater for sale: \$50. Several tunnel construction options were discussed; some probably attracting protracted consent issues. This will be delayed until the possibilities of track extensions have been explored. We have been invited by the Marlborough Modellers to participate in their event at Waitangi Weekend. Accommodation options in Blenheim are being investigated for Feb 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> 2015. Rob inquired of members' knowledge of the locos built by Bill Jackson.





# The Dock Side



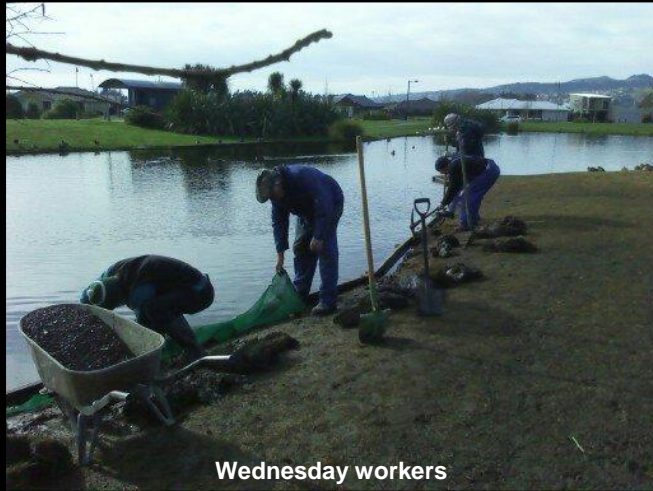
## Commodore's Corner

The "sign" has survived thus far. The pond surround area is extremely muddy. Andrew explained that sweeping and hosing is an effective method of cleaning the dock area.

The separate dock needs some maintenance but not replacement.



## Recent Activity on the Pond



Wednesday workers



For Sale: \$50

## Missing Volumes:

The library is currently missing the following volumes:  
Model Engineer  
Workshop – 2003,  
2004, 2005  
Home Shop  
Machinist – 2007  
Australian Model  
Engineer – 2009

Do any club members have some old copies they might want to donate?

Please contact Dave Markham

## REMINDER: SUBS

Discount valid until awards night  
(First week of October).

Subs	Full Price	Discount
Town	\$100.00	\$90.00
Associate	\$ 70.00	\$60.00
Retired	\$ 100.00	\$70.00
Junior	\$ 25.00	\$25.00
Family	\$105.00	\$95.00

Subs can be paid

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CSMEE

PO Box 37307

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Year Ending 31/3/2014

## Our don't feed the ducks sign



## Meetings and Run Days:

First Sunday of the Month:

Gauge 1 45mm focussed

First Tuesday of the Month:

General Meeting

Second Sunday of the Month:

Boats focussed

Second Tuesday of the Month:

Boat Meeting

Third Sunday of the Month:

Raised track focussed

Third Tuesday of the Month:

Chat Night

Fourth Sunday of the Month:

Traction Engine focussed

Any suggestions, comments or items for inclusion in the bulletin can be sent directly to [thatwhillslot6@kinect.co.nz](mailto:thatwhillslot6@kinect.co.nz)