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## Notice of Annual General Meeting of

### Auckland Society of Model Engineers Incorporated

The Committee gives notice that the next Annual General Meeting will be held at the ASME Clubrooms, Peterson Reserve, Panmure on Tuesday 7th December 2021 commencing at 7.35pm.

The Agenda items will be the relevant items as set out in Rule 16.

# **President's Report**

**November 2021**

Welcome to another Level 3 edition of the Micrometer. It feels as though everything is in a holding pattern awaiting the green light (or the orange or red), but at least we have some certainty over what the future will hold. Delta is here to stay so we will never return to Level 1, and the committee will have to study the government's new guidelines to determine how the club will operate going forward. Needless to say, this will be a challenge to start with, but with the club members having successfully overcome many obstacles in the time I have been a member I am confident this will be just another.

With the current restrictions, clearly the club auction will not take place in November, so we have pencilled it in for February, by which time most of you will have forgotten what was in the last auction so it should be safe to bring it back again. The December meeting is the AGM, so please consider putting yourself forward to help on the committee. We are hoping that will be held at the clubrooms as usual, but we are prepared if it has to be via a Zoom meeting- it is important to have as many members attend as possible, so please trial Zoom with the GM in November.

With no chance of organising an ASME Christmas Party this year, the committee are hoping to be able to hold a Fun Run day in December with a BBQ and drinks for members and families, but we will have to make sure will comply with the rules, so watch out for details closer to December.

Many thanks to our officers Greville, Grant and Dave who are keeping the Club running in these difficult times and to David Black, who works at least 2 days a week at the surgery in Waiuku (more, recently, as he has been involved in the vaccine rollout), but also organises and hosts our Zoom meetings. His advice to the committee regarding COVID and its consequences has been invaluable, and has helped us to put things into perspective. Also, best wishes to Bruce Matchett who has been dealing with some medical problems lately, and I hope you are all keeping well and busy, and are looking out for one another. The changes that are coming may be confusing and frustrating to some, so be prepared to make some allowances, and just remember it isn't always easy to see the smile behind a mask.

Cheers,

Mike Moore.

President Mike is recommending that all members read the MEANZ update sent as a separate attachment in May. ASME is an active member of MEANZ, members should keep a lookout on the website too <http://www.pnmec.org.nz/meanz.php>, a good place to find other clubs when you are travelling. Just like us, our friends nationwide always welcome visitors.

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## **NOVEMBER CALENDAR** **(Subject to COVID levels)**

- Tuesday November 2nd, 7.30 pm** - General Meeting ZOOM  
**Tuesday November 9th, 7.30 pm** - Workshop Night, TBA  
**Tuesday November 16th, 7.30 pm** - Committee Meeting, TBA



# Train Roster

Date	ASME			DUTY ROSTER			
	Electric <u>Driver</u>	Electric <u>Driver</u>	Steam <u>Driver</u>	Train <u>Controller</u>	Station / <u>Guard</u>	Station / <u>Guard</u>	
7-Nov-21	A Shirley	P Woodford	Voluntary	<b><u>G Wills</u></b>	<b>R Crook*</b>	D Beecher	
14-Nov-21	I Ashley	A Bailey	Voluntary	<b><u>B Aickin</u></b>	<b>M Luxton*</b>	B Matchett	
21-Nov-21	M Hollis	D Housley	Voluntary	<b><u>D Black</u></b>	<b>A Stratton*</b>	R Shearer	
28-Nov-21	J Lankow	M Plant	Voluntary	<b><u>P Dowdeswell</u></b>	<b>M Vickers*</b>	A van Zon	
5-Dec-21	G Beazley	M Moore	Voluntary	<b><u>T Lawrence</u></b>	<b>D Beecher*</b>	J Anderson	
12-Dec-21	R Reichardt	A Shirley	Voluntary	<b><u>S Meikle</u></b>	<b>R Crook*</b>	R Shearer	
19-Dec-21	B Matchett	I Ashley	Voluntary	<b><u>T Robinson</u></b>	<b>M Luxton*</b>	M Vickers	
26-Dec-21	-----	Xmas / New Year Break - No Roster in Operation					-----
2-Jan-22	-----	Xmas / New Year Break - No Roster in Operation					-----

**Bold and Underlined** Name = **Train Controller**, i.e. the person in overall control of all operations for the day

**Bold with Asterisk\*** Name = **Stationmaster**, i.e. the person responsible for activities in the station area and for the day's takings.

At the date of publishing Auckland is still at COVID Alert Level 3

### Please Note:

If for some reason you are unable to attend on your rostered date, you are respectfully reminded that it is **your** responsibility to find a replacement member to fill the gap – please don't let the rest of the team for the day be left short-handed. **Note: the Train Controllers for both affected days must be informed of the swap in advance. It is the responsibility of the person who initiated the swap to do this.** Also advise Bob Aickin who is keeping track of the number of duties each of us perform during the year.

The details of the swap should be noted in the Run Book.

Also, please ensure the member you arrange a swap with is one who is rostered to undertake the same role to ensure we always have members with the appropriate training and experience on the day.

# Club Notices

## **Help Wanted**

Greville has been busy converting A&G Price 5" gauge trolleys to run on our 7-1/4" gauge track and has now finished the second one. But there are still 2 more to do, and he would like some assistance with these.

is quite involved, but Greville has produced all the parts required in the form of a kit, along with a comprehensive set of instructions, to make the job as easy as possible. If any member can help with this work, please contact Greville.

## **Missing Magazines**

Model Engineer – Vol 216 No 4529, 4530; Vol 218 4562; Vol 222 4609; Vol 224 No 4636.

Model Engineer Workshop – No 240 April 2016 Live Steam – Vol 51 No 1, 2, 3 (2017)

Mike Jack is organising scanning & printing of the missing magazines so that the (currently) incomplete volumes will soon be able to be bound and available to members.

## **Panmure Baisin Festival/Fun Day 2022**

Its on again next year, but this time on a Saturday. The ASME Committee has decided that we will participate but will also run on our usual Sunday, so we will need some extra volunteer crew for the Saturday.

**Dates are Sat 26 (Pbfd) and Sun 27 (ASME) March 2022**

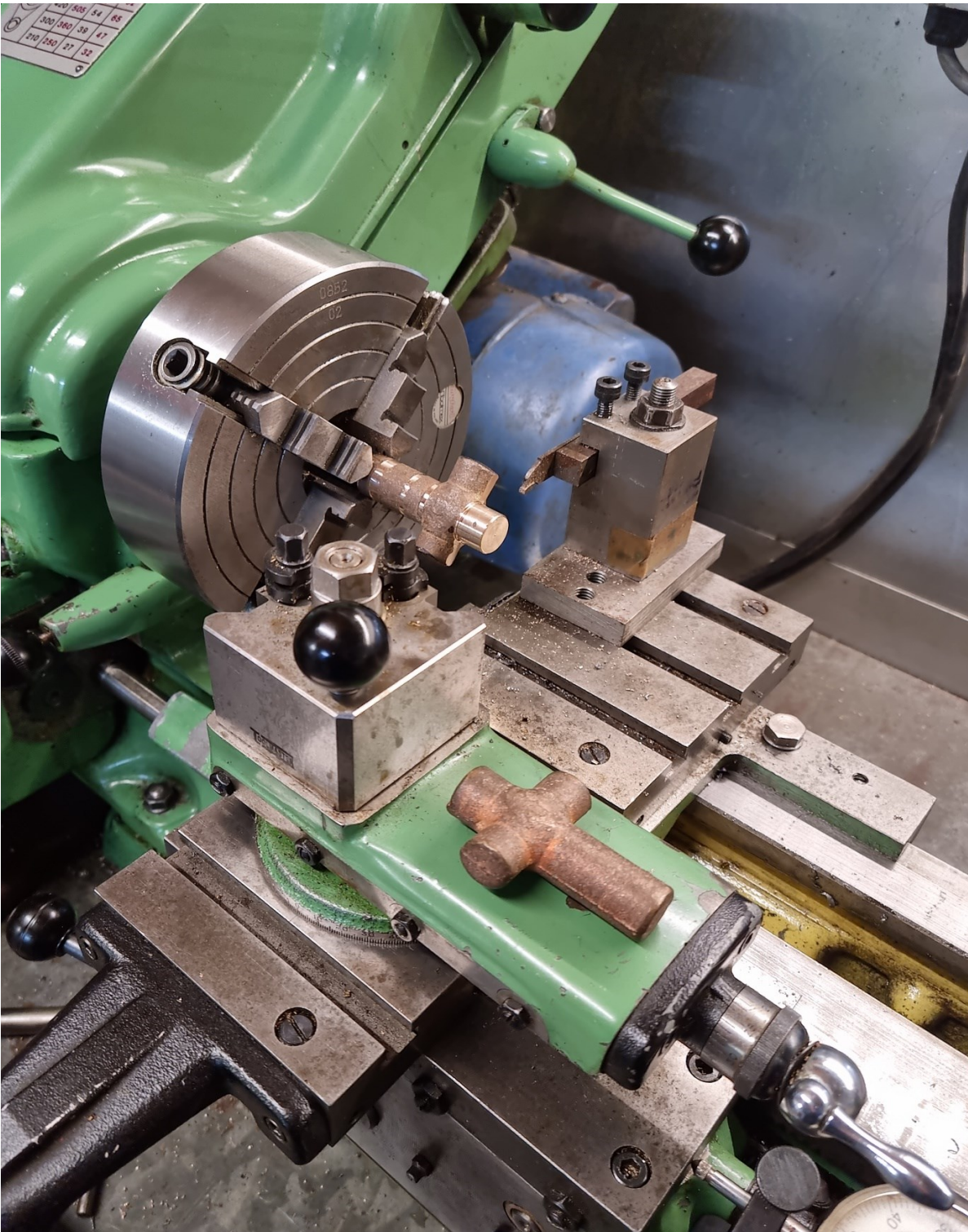
**The rules regarding the next ASME AGM (as written in the Society book of rules) are as follows:**

**16.1 The Committee will call the AGM within two months of the financial year-end and no later than the second week of December each year.**

**16.2 All financial members will be notified by the Society newsletter, or in the absence of this, Members will be notified in an Auckland daily newspaper at least 21 days prior to the meeting.**

***THE NOTICE IS ON THE COVER OF THIS MICROMETER***

## Bits and pieces with Dave Housley



Truing up parameters to achieve maximum clean up on the castings



A little bit further down the track pump shaft holes bored, locking nut threads cut which also serves for the stuffing gland nut ,I have an option to recess the front of the bore to accept quad seals and just lock the gland nut up to the face of the pump. Inlet and outlet bores machined and tapped



Chucking piece to take off and then start on the pump rods eccentrics and split yokes

*Superb photos Dave (Ed)*