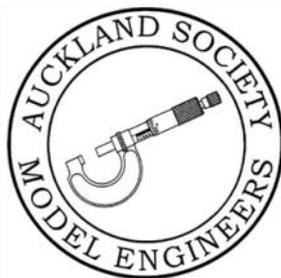


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Train Roster

Date	Electric Driver	Electric Driver	Train Controller	Station / Guard	Station / Guard	Station / Guard
November 2013						
3rd	B Cotton	P Dowdeswell	<u>M Orange</u>	J Burnett	J Clarke	R Copeland*
10th	M Granger	M Hollis	<u>G Anderson</u>	R Crook*	J Davies	G Dickey
17th	D Housley	S Meikle	<u>G Wills</u>	A Foster*	D Gulliver	G Healy
24th	D Moffat	M Moore	<u>B Piggott</u>	P Jones	J Lankow*	D Leybourne
December 2013						
1st	D Housley	S Meikle	<u>T Robinson</u>	J Olsen	C Mitchell*	G Murray
8th	P Moy	R Reichardt	<u>T Lawrence</u>	T Leys	M Luxton*	I Lyons
15th	D Black	D Booth	<u>B Piggott</u>	P Tomkies	G Quayle	R Brown*
22nd	Xmas / New Year Break - No Roster in Operation - Voluntary if you wish					
29th	Xmas / New Year Break - No Roster in Operation - Voluntary if you wish					

Bold and Underlined Name:

This is the designated **Train Controller**, i.e. the person in overall control of all operations for the day. If you are the **Train Controller** you should phone around the others rostered for that day to make sure they remember to turn up.

Bold with Asterisk* Name :

This is the designated **Stationmaster**, i.e. the person responsible for activities in the station area for the day. The Stationmaster is also responsible to account for the day's takings.

Please Note, there is no expiry period or date on train ride tickets previously sold.

Please Note:

On your rostered day you should arrive by **12.30 pm** to get prepared for the days running. If for some reason you are unable to fill 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.

Please ensure you arrange the replacement member with one rostered to undertake the **same** role, to ensure we always have members with the appropriate training and experience on the day

Club Calendar

ASME Events	
5 th November	General Meeting.
9 th November	General working bee and cleanup
12 th November	Committee Meeting
16 th November	ASME model display & judging, Fun run day 10am – 4pm, BBQ at 5pm
19 th November	Workshop night at the clubrooms
3 rd December	General Meeting & Annual General Meeting

President's Report

November 2013

Work on the Track & Trolley project is progressing with the first 100m of the concrete base done and the track reinstated on it at the working bee on the 5th October for the public running on the 6th October. The second 100m section removed Sunday 20th October after club running by a team of members for the contractor starting it 22nd October. No track running on the 27th. A track working bee on the 2nd November is to refit the track and reinstate the link connecting stage 1 of the track leaving stage 2 free to work on. A third 100m section is planned before the end of year, date not confirmed.

There is a message on the Web site letting people know when we are not running when we will be and is changed to confirm that we are.

Saturday 16 November, 10am – 4pm ASME model display & judging and Fun run day. BBQ at 5pm. There is no club dinner in December.

AGM is 3rd December.

Timothy Robinson

President

22th October 2013

Update on the Track

The balance of the funds donated by the Mt Wellington Foundation Ltd was paid into the Club's bank account at the end of September. Along with the funds received in May, these have been expended to date on the survey, steel for rails & sleepers, track trubolts and the first section of concrete foundation for the ground level track.

With a good turnout of 18 members on 21st September, the removal of the track to enable the contractor to prepare and lay the first section of concrete was easily handled, after normal running finished for the day at 4pm. The next morning the contractor started on the excavations to the alignment pegs, with grades and super-elevation to the information provided. Next, he installed the boxing and basecourse which was compacted. On Wednesday 2nd October, the concrete was pumped and laid under the supervision of Tony Lawrence. On the Friday, the boxing was removed and this completed the contractors duties for this first section.

At the October working bee on Saturday 5th, a smaller group of 14 struggled to move the track back on the new concrete pathway. Some problems were struck with blocks not sitting squarely due to concrete remains on the bottom of the blocks – this was remedied by Tony with his concrete saw resulting in a lot of dust, and an “abominable snowman” like appearance! The track sections were rejoined and bolted, with guide bars attached by welding. By 7.30pm, after the test train had run several circuits, the track was declared open again. The next day, about 500 rides were given; it was pleasing to get this first section completed with the loss of only one running day. The working bee also moved excess soil from the excavations, backfilling the new concrete edges.

The committee approved the purchase of the new trolley bodies to ASME's specifications from the manufacturer in Hamilton – the order is now placed and delivery is due on 30th November. The bodies will then be fitted up to the bogies assembled from the components made by members during the winter months.

The next section of concrete is the “new” track from the top of the long tunnel to the start of the trestle bridge. Also, a small section up from the girder bridge will make up the 100 lineal metres. The track was removed by another good turnout on Sunday last and the contractor started on site today.

Again, many thanks to all members who have assisted with the work so far; more members making themselves available helps spread the load and will assist us meeting the timetable for completion– please let one of the T & T Sub-Committee (Timothy, Greville or myself) know if you can help in anyway.

Some photos (mostly from Graeme Murray) are attached for your further information.

Grant Anderson

22nd October 2013



Our President, takes to the fishplates bolts to release the joints



The removal gang lift on "one, two, three" and walk the track away for storage.



Excavations underway – note the track stored securely chained and padlocked!



Boxed to grade, with basecourse compacted and ready for the pour.



The track gang walk the track down from the storage area to place it on the new concrete



Tony cleans up the bottoms of some blocks to enable them to sit correctly on the new concrete.



Lex, Mike M, Bob A and Timothy working to reattach the rail joints.



Up and running again the next day, with Mike M and Mark as crew.

Fun Day & Mini Expo

Owing to the work-load on club members with the Track & Trolley project, and a shortage of people to organise the exhibition, we are trying something different this year, given that turnout has been flagging in recent years.

In place of it we are arranging a one day Mini display and Judging plus a **Club Fun Day** to be held on Saturday 16th November 2013 – from 10:00am through 4:00pm with a BBQ at 5:00pm. To which all club members, wives & or partners are invited.

Members who wish to bring, an item or more, please bring them to the clubrooms in the morning before 10:00am. Judging for our Annual awards will take place during the morning and the awards will be announced at the BBQ as we will not be having a Xmas dinner this year.

Bits & Piece(s)

Reported by Dave Russell

Due to the auction there is only one item this month.

The only item at the meeting tonight due to the annual auction was a very nicely built engine by Scott Meikle.

The engine is called "The Incredible Elbow Engine", it is a six cylinder with 6mm bore size. the secret to making this engine is to get the elbows all at exactly 90 degrees. Scott says the engine runs well at about 1000rpm. Very nice work and quite a heavy piece of engineering made from good heavy scrap pieces.



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 3rd December 2013 commencing at 7.35pm.

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

The other business to be attended to [per Clause 16.8] will be as follows:

Change to the Rules:

Notice of Motion to amend Rule 12.8 has been received from Grant Anderson with a request that the following Motion be included as an agenda item.

“I move that Rule 12.8 be amended by the addition of the word “Annual” ahead of “General Meeting” as it currently appears in the Rule, such that if the Motion is passed by a two thirds majority (as required by Rule 17.1) the clause would then read:-

12.8 The Committee shall not commit The Society to any financial arrangements in excess of \$15,000 without first submitting the proposal to a Special or Annual General Meeting.

The reason given for this rule change is that at present a Committee could seek to have a financial arrangement approved at a General Meeting; that is at an ordinary monthly meeting of members. The requirements for General Meetings are set out in Rule 14 and it should be noted that the business to be discussed requires no special notice, that is, it could just be tabled at the meeting. Adding “Annual” means that the requirements for notice to members prior to the meeting must be adhered to, thereby allowing members to decide whether or not they wish to attend, be heard and vote on the matter. This would put the requirements on the same terms as for the Special General Meeting alternative, as exists in the Rule at present.

Moved: Grant Anderson, Seconded: Greville Wills