

# TMMEC NEWSLETTER

May 2023



Located at the Memorial Park, Tauranga  
Open to the public Sundays 10:00 to 15:00 with  
half-hour lunch break at about 12:30.  
(weather and Covid Level permitting)

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Owen Bennett Russell Prout  
Ash Thomas

**Boiler Committee:** Peter Jones  
Bruce McKerras

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Editor: Joanne Knights

## CONVENORS:

**Workshop:** Regan Olivecrona

**Track:** Bruce Harvey Russell Prout

**Librarian:** Chris Pattison

**Rolling Stock:** Bruce Harvey

**MEANZ Rep.:** Peter Jones

## Up and Coming Events.

May 24 & 25 – SouthMach, Christchurch

June 10<sup>th</sup> - Playday

July 14<sup>th</sup> – Matariki night run. Start latest 17:30.  
Details in Captain's report.

August 31<sup>st</sup> – Membership cut-off date. If dues are  
not paid by then, your name will be removed from  
the member list.

## **Presidents Report – May 2023**

Welcome to the new committee, a special welcome to Owen who has volunteered for committee this year, and a special thank you to Warren K for stepping into the secretary role.

There was much discussion regarding subs and categories. Subs will remain the same at \$30. Please pay these online if you can, so that we have names recorded and things don't get confused. Warren K will be sending out an email with the club bank account details to make this easier for everyone.

A big thank you to those who stepped up into the Operator positions, Stewart, Bruce B and Joanne which will make it lot easier on everybody. We have received thank you letters from Red Cross, also the Hawkes Bay Mayoral Fund, which dishes out money directly to those most affected by the flooding. Nice to see this acknowledgement, we will display these at the track.

Chris P is to both investigate the new constitution requirements and then update our constitution so that we are in line with the new Incorporated Societies rules.

Ashley G is preparing a brief to present to the developers for the redevelopment of the park putting across our club's value to the community. Peter J through Roy is organising a trip to the Bush Railway. This seemed to get an enthusiastic response at the AGM – We will keep you updated once we lock in a date. Thanks to Ash T who is making the new axles for Black Magic which is now back in the club workshop. A further thank you, this time to Roy who has found Trent some lathe tooling.

Short and sweet this month but we have only just had our AGM.  
Cheers,  
Bruce.

## **Club Captain's report – May**

Hi Team,

First up we have Mother's Day this Sunday so Mums will ride for free at the track.

Our next Play Day is coming up on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June. This is a good chance to come along and have a drive on the track without the pressures of a public running day. It gives our younger members a chance to have a go at driving too. We will be steaming the Tamar as well, so if you are interested in learning to drive the steam loco come along and give it a go. We normally kick things off around 9:00am and carry on until

everyone gets fed up. It is a good chance for a catch up and a yarn as well. Family and friends are also welcome.

## **Matariki Night Run**

Our Matariki night run is coming up on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July, being a public holiday. Public running will be 5:30pm – 8:30pm and we will be setting up during the day. Roy and Barb will be providing a meal for the club members. If you are free, please come down and give us a hand. Night runs seem to bring out half of Tauranga and we often do around 1000 tickets in the three hour slot, so it gets really busy.

## **NEW WEBSITE**

Our new website is now live, admittedly I am still getting to grips with it as I have been out of action for a while. I am going to start uploading to it regularly and if you have any contributions, photos, etc to make please poke them under my nose. My email is [joanne\\_knights@outlook.com](mailto:joanne_knights@outlook.com)

The address for the new site is the same:-  
tmmecc.org.nz

Joanne

Please note that the Newsletter will now also be posted on our website – Ed.

## **Editorial**

Dear Ferroequinologists,

Not much to wax lyrical about this month. Personally, I have been working on my boiler, with help from Ross and Owen on the final assembly. Whilst my boiler is not as complex as Ross's, I suppose it was faint hope that it would hold pressure first time round. Nah! A couple of leaks have been detected, not as many as I first thought, but a reheat and is required this coming weekend with the help of my son. It will give him a taste of model engineering.

I have thought that I would put together a summary of our experiences of the trials and tribulations of silver soldering, so watch this space!

Cotter Pin

## **LIBRARY CORNER**

We still have a bunch of VHS tapes on the rail theme surplus to requirement. These are free to anybody who wants them.

The magazines on the table marked with a big "F" are free to be taken. If they are not taken up, they will end up in the tip. Especially our younger members.

Thanks Ken for your recent donations to the library. Always appreciated.

Finally, if anybody wants the library spreadsheet of our collection, please contact me and I will forward you one.

Bookworm.

### SMALLS – FOR SALE/ WANTED:

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### SUGGESTIONS AND IDEAS:

#### Ten-Pin

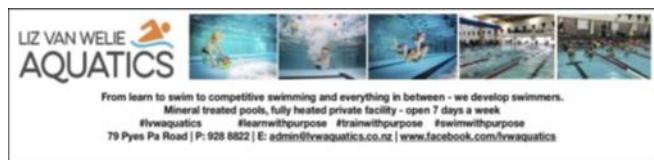
It has been proposed that we as a club could/should make a not too distant social occasion, to play Ten Pin Bowls, at the local venue. This will would allow members to bring family members to enjoy a different form of social interaction.

How do you feel? I (Ed) am game. It is quite a while since I played tenpin. Contact Warren if you are interested.

#### Bush Tramway

It appears we have a lot of interest in a forthcoming visit to the Huntly Bush Tramway, as proposed at the AGM.

Once again, if you are interested, contact Warren.



### Interesting Stuff

**Warren has brought this to our attention:** Stumbled across this on U-Tube. [b17steamlocotruck.com](http://b17steamlocotruck.com) The B17 Loco Trust is building two new steam locomotives in England

A BR Class 6 and a NE B17, both in the workshops of CTL Seal in Sheffield

There are some interesting videos taken just this month showing progress and the generosity of the owner of the business, who is contemplating building more after these are completed - such is his enthusiasm.



Need a head for heights on this viaduct.



Not sure what this is?



Need a big workshop for this boring mill.  
Interested Ant?

## MEMBER ACTIVITIES

Ross has been busy, steaming away (pun intended) at getting his traction engine boiler buttoned up and steam tight. His last visit on Tuesday morning may have closed all his leaks and enable him to hold pressure on his boiler.

### Club Staff

Tuesday morning – wet day 😞 but a busy morning. Shane M getting his beautiful Britannia pressure tested for his boiler certificate, Owen B's phantom was steamed up and on the track which is the first time it has run. In the workshop we had Black Magic which a team descended on and stripped out the bogies, we discovered that new bearings and axles are required. Heather has upgraded our first aid kit – thank you Heather.



Lovely night shot.



### OPERATORS ROSTER 2023

|            |               |
|------------|---------------|
| 23/04/2023 | J.FLANNERY    |
| 30/04/2023 | B.HARVEY      |
| 07/05/2023 | P.JONES       |
| 14/05/2023 | W.KARLSSON    |
| 21/05/2023 | B.McKERRAS    |
| 28/05/2023 | R.PROUT       |
| 04/06/2023 | B.FITZPATRICK |
| 11/06/2023 | J.FLANNERY    |
| 18/06/2023 | B.HARVEY      |
| 25/06/2023 | P.JONES       |
| 02/07/2023 | W.KARLSSON    |
| 09/07/2023 | B.McKERRAS    |
| 16/07/2023 | R.PROUT       |
| 23/07/2023 | B.FITZPATRICK |
| 30/07/2023 | J.FLANNERY    |

### Ticket Sellers

|                       |   |
|-----------------------|---|
| 14 <sup>th</sup> May  | - Warren Karlsson   |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> May  | - Heather & David Powell  |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> May  | - Tracy Walker  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> June  | - Heather & David Powell  |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> June | - Tracy Walker  |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> May  | - Heather & David Powell  |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> June | - Warren Karlsson   |
| 2 July                | - Heather & David Powell  |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> July  | - Warren Karlsson   |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> July | (MATARIKI NIGHT RUN)  |
|                       | - Heather & David Powell from 5:30 – 9 p.m.<br>(buffet dinner beforehand) |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> July | - Heather & David Powell  |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> July | - ???   |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> July | - Heather & David Powell  |

### SPONSORS:

Our thanks to those companies who sponsor us –



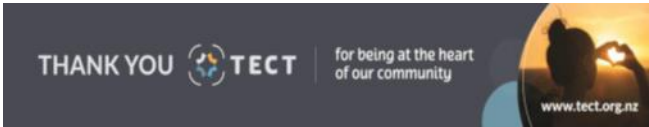
NZ Rail locomotive?

## FAVOURED SUPPLIERS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Suggestions please.

### Tuesday Evening Meetings – May

Our last meeting's discussion covered issues mostly related to the upcoming AGM.



My friend waits every year for the day the sun rises just right and reflects along the railroad tracks. Today was that day!



World record holder on narrow gauge, set in October 1978. Speed 245 kph. SAR Class 6E1 loco with modified DC pantograph and Scheffel bogie.



## LINKS TO OTHER CLUBS:

**MEANZ** has a listing of affiliated clubs on its website. It is in the form of a map showing the various locations of each club. If you click on a location, it will give you details of that club. See: <http://www.pnmecc.org.nz/meanzmap.htm>

**Auckland Society of Model Engineers** - [www.asme.org.nz](http://www.asme.org.nz)

**Cambridge Model Engineering Society Inc.** [www.cmes.org.nz/](http://www.cmes.org.nz/)

**Christchurch Live Steamers** - [www.clstrains.co.nz](http://www.clstrains.co.nz)

**Canterbury Society of Model Engineers** - [www.csmee.org.nz](http://www.csmee.org.nz)

**Hamilton Model Engineers** - [www.hme.co.nz](http://www.hme.co.nz)

**Hutt Valley Model Engineering Society** - [www.hvmes.com](http://www.hvmes.com)

**Kapiti Miniature Railway Association** - [www.kapitirail.org](http://www.kapitirail.org)

**Havelock North Live Steamers** - [www.keirungaparkrailway.org.nz](http://www.keirungaparkrailway.org.nz)

**Manakau Live Steamers** - [www.manakaulivesteamers.co.nz](http://www.manakaulivesteamers.co.nz)

**Marlborough Associated Modellers Society** - [www.mams.org.nz](http://www.mams.org.nz)

**Nelson Modellers** - [www.nelsonmodellers.org.nz](http://www.nelsonmodellers.org.nz)

**Otago Miniature Road and Rail Society** - [www.omrr.org.nz](http://www.omrr.org.nz)

**Otago Model Engineers Society** - [www.omes.org.nz](http://www.omes.org.nz)

**Palmerston North Model Engineering Club** - [www.pnmecc.org.nz](http://www.pnmecc.org.nz)

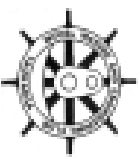
**EBOP Society of Model Engineers, Whakatane** - [www.riveredgerailway.org.nz](http://www.riveredgerailway.org.nz)

**South Canterbury Model Engineers Society** - [www.south-canterbury-model-engineers.org](http://www.south-canterbury-model-engineers.org)

**Whangarei Model Engineering Club** - [www.wmec.org.nz](http://www.wmec.org.nz)

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If I have missed any out, kindly advise me of whom and their details.



# TMMEC 2023 CALENDAR

as of 18/12/2022

|      | M | T | W | T | F   | S | S | M | T | W | T  | F  | S  | S  | M  | T  | W  | T  | F  | S  | S  | M  | T  |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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SUNDAY RUNNING DAY - 10am to 3pm

5-9 JAN

CANMID CONVENTION - CHRISTCHURCH

OFFICIAL CLUB PLAYDAY

CHR

CHRISTMAS PARTY - 4 FEB

COMMITTEE MEETINGS - 7pm START

TBC

HAMILTON OPEN WEEKEND

GENERAL MEETINGS - 7pm START

3-6 JUNE

MANUKAU OPEN WEEKEND

ENGINEERING TUESDAY - 7:30pm START

TBC

EBOP OPEN WEEKEND

OPEN WEEKEND

28 OCT

HALLOWEEN NIGHT RUN

CANCELLED

AGM