

The Whistle Blower -

News of the Canberra Society of Model and Experimental Engineers August 2010
President John Oliver 62921938 Secretary Greg Peters 0412 179899 www.canberramodelengineers.org.au

What's been Going On

WORK ACTIVITIES

The Wednesday work crew has been busy over the last month braving the cold and wet weather in an effort to keep the KMR and the CMR ticking along.

We have been joined by Les Fearnley, who has been helping to mark out the building sites at the CMR

At KMR the grass still needs mowing and there are always things to be done.

Most of the tasks for the upcoming Malkara exhibition have been organized.

Thanks to Les Mouat for replacing the glass in the store room window broken by vandals.

If you have time to spare on a Wednesday you are more than welcome to come along and join the group. There will always be something that you can do.

With Malkara coming up at the end of the month the raised track has been checked and loaded back on to the trailer.

MONTHLY MEETING

Attendance at the July Member's meeting was down on the June meeting with 17 members braving the cold weather and turning out for the night. There were 3 apologies received and 2 visitors on the night.

The meeting was opened by the president who gave a brief overview of the progress at the CMR site as well as work that has been performed at KMR.

Bits and Pieces have come from two members this month.

Ian Smith showed the remnants of the siphon tube he removed from Bunyip's boiler. The tube has been in the boiler since it was built.

John Oliver bought along the completed rods for his 36 class locomotive The rod were previously shown in June where he presented the waterjet cut rods during Bits and Pieces.

Thanks to all those who contributed items for display at the meeting.

Geoff Ross was the lucky door prize winner at the monthly meeting in July. Because Geoff was not present to collect, the door prize will jackpot at the next monthly meeting.

For those members chasing back issues of Model Engineer and Engineering in Miniature, I have been informed that they are available at the bookshop in Curtin Shops.

MONTHLY RUNNING DAYS

The Mid Month running day turned out to be a quiet affair with \$290.00 being taken on the day. The weather is still playing havoc with the running days.

The End of Month running Day saw a total of 8 parties being booked for the day. The day started off cool and soon turned into a very pleasant day. The sun was out and there was little sign of the rain which has dogged previous running days. All parties booked for the end of month running day turned up and there was a steady influx of non party people.

Bunyip and Bob's 422 class were kept busy all day with AN1 and 81 kept in readiness.

Ticket sales for the day were \$1258.50 which was not too bad considering.

INVITATION RUN

All members are reminded that the Invitation Run this year is being held in conjunction with the End of Month Running Day at the end of September.

The cleanup for the Invitation Run will be held on Saturday 18th September. Please come along and give a couple of hours of your time to help with the cleanup.

COMING EVENTS

Monthly meeting 19th August 2010

The Next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting.

AUGUST 2010

Tue 3 rd	CSMEE Committee Meeting
Wed 4 th	Working Bee at the KMR/CMR
FRI 6 th	Setup Malkara
SAT 7 th	Malkara
SUN 8 th	Malkara
Wed 11 th	Working Bee at the KMR/CMR
Sun 15 th	Club Muster Day
Wed 18 th	Working Bee at the KMR/CMR
Thur 19 th	CSMEE Monthly Meeting
Wed 25 th	Working Bee at the KMR/CMR
Sat 28 th	Mowing and cleanup prior to running day
Sun 29 th	Public Running Day at the KMR

SEPTEMBER 2010

Wed 1 st	Working bee at the KMR/CMR
Tue 7 th	CSMEE Committee Meeting
Wed 8 th	Working bee at the KMR/CMR
Sun 12 th	Club running day and afternoon public run
Wed 15 th	Working Bee at the KMR/CMR
Thur 16 th	CSMEE Monthly Meeting
Sat 18 th	Mowing and cleanup prior to Invitation Run & running day
Wed 22 nd	Final Cleanup before Invitation Run
Fri 24 th	Invitation Run KMR
Sat 25 th	Invitation Run KMR
Sun 26 th	Public Running Day at the KMR
Wed 29 th	Working Bee at the KMR/CMR

BOILER MATTERS

Chris Grallelis is progressing with his boiler and is up to the stage of having all the holes drilled for boiler stays.

Peter Cole's Blowfly boiler is also coming along slowly with most of the plate work finished.

Bunyip's boiler recently had its biannual test and passed with flying colours. Well almost. A couple of weeks later the siphon tube in the fire box gave trouble and had to be replaced

KMR CLEAN UP ROSTER

August Saturday 28th 2010

Graeme Coronel	6286 3602
Les Fearnley	6297 9376
David Foote	6292 3778 (Team Leader)
Colin Fuller	6251 1779

September Saturday 18th 2010

Ward Gainey	6241 2334 (team leader)
Chris Grallelis	6231 5981
Paul Gugger	6281 1849
Peter Hateley	6254 7229

If you cannot attend your designated place in the clean up roster, please find another member to take your place. Do not leave it up to your committee.

August Saturday 28th 2010

MONEY MATTERS

Our accounts have now been returned by the Auditor, together with their audit report. Our profit for 2009/10 has been confirmed as \$1,752.91, which compared well with the previous year's result of \$1,953.92, especially given the run of poor weather running days we have experienced. The audit report was favorable, with no qualifications on our results. One matter raised for action by the Committee was the taxation status of the canteen. This will be addressed in the coming months.

During the year we spent \$77,364.47 of the ACT Government grant money, mostly on major items such as rail steel, containers, earthworks and fees. The audit report confirms that this expenditure was in accordance with the Funding Agreement with ACT Tourism. This confirmation is a requirement of that funding agreement.

This financial year has started off on a reasonable note. Lets hope that it continues.

COMMITTEE REPORT

The Committee meeting held in July saw discussions mainly concentrated on the Points and Signals paper presented to the meeting by Greg Peters. The paper and its recommendations will be presented to the members for their information at the next members meeting.

NOTICES

Don't forget Club and Mid month running days on the second Sunday of each month. All welcome. Please come along and join in.

-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-

Please Note Membership fees are due by the Annual General Meeting in August. Remember you must be financial to be able to vote. Avoid the rush and get in early. Fees remain at \$70.00 for an Individual, \$90.00 for Family (2 Members) + \$20.00 each additional member.

-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Yes its that time of year again and this year there looks like being several vacancies to be filled on the committee. As it is your Society, please consider standing for a position on the committee and sharing the load.

The 2010 AGM will be held at the ARHS Meeting Rooms, Geijera Place, Kingston on Thursday 19th August 2010 commencing at 8.00 PM.

Committee nomination form and proxy voting form have been included with this newsletter.

Malkara 7th/8th August

Don't forget Malkara this weekend. If you are displaying your models, please see John Oliver (62921938), who is taken over organizing the indoor display. We need volunteer's ticket seller for Saturday and Sunday. Also required are volunteers to help man the raised track over the weekend.

PLEASE SPARE A FEW HOURS TO HELP.

-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-

FOR SALE

Half a sheet of 4mm copper
Contact Russell Gear on 02 98747760

-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-

FOR SALE

The canteen has a TEFAL 4 L/1.2Kg Pro-Fry Clean Oil System Deep Fryer for sale. If you are interested, please contact the Canteen Ladies on the Public running days.

Photos from the Working Bee held on Saturday 17th August at CMR

