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Cover Photo:

Bent track at our club, unfortunately we don't know who did it

Editors Report

Hi All.

Not much from me this month. It has been good to see lots of work happening at the club. The construction of the road track has started so that is pretty neat. It would be good to see as many people as possible when we have our working bee before labour weekend.

Lester



Presidents Report

Sunna room

Many thanks to Robbie for his work in the boiler room. He has cleaned up displays added bits here and there for ease of operation. Thank you great job.



Track 1

Thanks to Monty and Martin as they cut the north bend and redid a pile and base and then re-joined the track to suit. This is a soft area where many years ago fill was put in there to raise the ground level. Then over the years it slowly settles and our foundations move a little. Thanks Guys great job.

Track 2

Many thanks to John who repaired our damaged track section on the west side in our car park. As of writing this the culprit is unknown other than a metallic green car.

Sign

Thanks to Lester who is in the process of replacing our club sign. The old one was rotten and looked scruffy so he is in the process of fitting a new centre section to the over hauled outter frame.

Labour Weekend

Remember our open weekend on Labour Weekend.

Come for a social get together, run your loco or bring your traction engine, or just come to look and talk. There are plenty of the latter.

New road track

By Labour Weekend we will have a new track located on the north boundary.

The track will go from the foot path on Liardet st along the north boundary to behind the coal shed and onto the car park.

We are hoping that we will be able to run the traction engines around here so we can do circuits. This track is not intended for foot traffic.

Working Bee

We have a list on the notice board for any person who wishes to help us do a bit of a spring clean. There are a lot of little bits here and there to be done so please come when suits and help.



Quiz

What British piece of engineering are all of gears off?



Answer to quiz picture from July: This photo is of the NZR G Class Garratt locomotives. They were ultimately a failure and were converted into other locomotives before being scrapped. See link for more info:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NZR_G_class_\(1928\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/NZR_G_class_(1928))



Upcoming Events.

Every Sunday 2-4PM	Track running
Every Thursday 7:30PM	Club night
Before labour weekend	Working bee
24 th -26 th October	Labour weekend event.

Private group bookings of the railway are available from Spring – Autumn, contact: Monty (06 758 9866) or Martin (06 753 5029).

Buy, Sell, Exchange

Wanted:

- Any 5" steamers out there looking for a good home.
- 5" ride trolleys any spare ones

Contact Bruce Jamieson