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Oamaru Steam and Rail Restoration Society Inc

Official Newsletter

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This is our first newsletter for 2012 and it is an attempt to continue the good work done by George King, who in the past produced a newsletter for the society. George has since last year moved to take a position with the Kingston Flyer.



George look we are getting our photo taken



The Flyer heading into Kingston

It is hoped to produce this newsletter twice a year at least but to be able to do that we need some input from members. Therefore if you would like to contribute with a written item or photographs please contact me. This newsletter will go out via e-mail as a PDF document which means everyone should be able to open the document. There will be a small number of printed copies for those whom are not in the 21st Century.

>HELP IS NEEDED<

We are now getting a little short on working members so if you know of anyone who would like to work on the railway or just help out around the workshop on a Wednesday during the week or on a Saturday please see our General Manager, Harry. Retired and need a project, you don't need a railway back ground.

Raffle

2012 OSRRS Christmas Raffle.

Donations of food items for a Christmas hamper would be appreciated from members eg. tinned fruits, nuts, chocs, chutneys, etc. Please drop off on Sundays at the ticket office between 11am to 2pm in October or 11am to 4pm in November.

Enquiries Kaerin 4345633 or Juliet 4345579

In tribute to Bruce Boucherway – On his day off from working Sunday on the railway Bruce is seen here down at the station checking on the staff and the photographer along with the Stationmaster Juliet Brunton. Bruce will be missed by all. We no longer have B1



Member Frank Waller working on the Westinghouse pump of B 10. Great progress has been made on restoring B10 by a small group of members

During Easter this year we ran trains on the Saturday and Sunday. The extra running day was a success along with the Easter eggs given out to children on the train on the Sunday by the Easter Bunny. The Sunday crew along with the Easter Bunny took time out to have their photo on TR 35. From L to R Frank Thomas, Assistant Guard, Wayne Brunton, Engine Driver, Easter Bunny (no prizes for guessing who), Juliet Brunton, Stationmaster and Dale Jonker, Guard.



Thanks to all that worked over that weekend and to all the people that contributed in some way or another. Thanks to the Easter Bunny (aka Bruce Cawley)

WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING

Work is continuing on the installation of crossing alarms at Humber Street level crossing. We are just waiting for some paper work to be completed and then some further work to be undertaken by outside people.

Most will have noticed by now that the yard alongside the shed on the seaside has been enclosed by a picket fence and gates have been erected. All the gates are padlocked.

This fence and gates have been erected to secure the area and also to make it more tidy to the eye. Our thanks to the Waitaki District Council for their help in this project.

MEMBERS

Early this year John Lister obtained his Engine Drivers Diesel ticket – well done John, next it will be your steam ticket when B 10 becomes operational again.

Frank Thomas has just been certified for the position of Stationmaster.

It is with regret that we have to announce that John Paul our Chief Engineer has given up this position due to health concerns. John continues to be available to be consulted on engineering matters. We owe John a great deal for his work on the locomotives and rolling stock over the past few years. Many thanks John the club does appreciate all your work.

Ka 942 to Arthurs Pass Sunday 8 July 2012

photos Arthur De Maine



Left – Ka 942 at Springfield.



Above – Ka 942 heading up the long straight to Springfield.

Below – Ka on the turntable at Arthurs Pass





B10s boiler arrives in Oamaru from Christchurch. Unloaded from the truck ready to be turned.



Member Frank Thomas supervising the turning of the boiler.



The boiler safely on the frame and wheels ready to be shunted into the depot.

Our AGM on Thursday 27th of September voted to retain membership fees at their current level.

Your subscription is now due and your subscription notice is on the last page of this Newsletter, please complete and return to the Treasurer Oamaru Steam and Rail, P.O. box 37, Oamaru or hand into the ticket office on a Sunday when the train is operating.

The Branch Committee thank you for your continued support.

Arthur De Maine, President

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The cab end of B 10.



J 1234 on No 143 Christchurch – Invercargill Express at Oamaru Station 1979–Arthur De Maine



This old NZR photo showing F 159, 1904. The caption on the back says Timaru but I am sure it is Oamaru.

Oamaru Steam and Rail Restoration Society Inc.

Membership Form

Oamaru Steam and Rail was formed in 1986 and is based in the heart of Historic Oamaru. We operate on a 1.7km line from the Historic precinct to Oamaru's Victorian Harbour and Penguin Colony.

Our rolling stock includes B10, a 1924 steam locomotive, along with two ex-NZR diesel locomotives. We also have several carriages and a collection of wagons.

Our goal is to restore, maintain and operate vintage railway equipment and to provide regular passenger services to the town of Oamaru.

Many man-hours are required to meet this goal. We have working days on Saturdays and operate the train on Sundays. Whether you're young or old, and you would like to come along and help us, and work with a great group of people, fill in the form below.

Memberships are due at the beginning of the Society's financial year (1st September to 31st August). Full membership is for persons 16 years of age or over. Junior membership is for persons under the age of 16 years. Family membership is for two adults, and up to four children under the age of 16 years.

Please fill in the form below and return it to: Harbourside Railway Station on a running day, or;
The Membership Secretary
OSRRS Inc.
P.O. Box37
Oamaru.

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This is a: (Tick one)

- New Membership application
- Renewal Membership

I wish to apply for a: (Tick one)

- Full membership \$20.00
- Junior membership \$5.00
- Family membership \$30.00

Name¹(First and last): _____

Physical address: _____

Postal address²: _____

E-mail: _____ Contact Phone No.: _____

Signed³: _____ Date: ____/____/____

By signing above, you agree to abide by all of Oamaru Steam and Rail Restoration Society Inc.'s rules and regulations. New membership applications are subject to committee approval.

¹ If applying for a family membership, please provide all full names to be covered by the membership on the reverse of this page. ² Please only supply a postal address if different to that of your physical address. ³ If applying for a family membership, both adults to be covered by the membership must sign this form and agree to accept responsibility for their children when at Oamaru Steam and Rail. We respect your privacy. Information provided on this form will not be disclosed to any other party at any time.

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Proposer: _____ Secunder: _____
Date: ____/____/____