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Clubrooms and Running Track at Whangarei Heritage Park SH14 Maunu

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Club Notices

Running day 3rd Sunday - July 19, 2020, 10 am - 2 pm (early finish for AGM)

Mid-week Workdays - Generally Every Wednesday, 10 am - 3 pm

Extra running days - Wednesday July 8 and 15, 10 am - 2 pm for school holidays, Members running / social Sunday 2nd August

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From the Editor

Not much to report this month, everyone catching up on things now we can interact once again. As you will have seen from the email sent out a little while ago Lloyd has suggested we have a club members running day/ social get together on Sunday 2nd August 10am-2pm with a BBQ we have had 5 replies so far, please email me to confirm numbers for catering etc. It had been suggested that this can also be an opportunity for a bit of training for driver, guard and station staff if needed.

A reminder that before then we have the club AGM which will take place after the 3rd Sunday running on 19th July with trains finishing at 2 pm to allow the meeting to take place a little earlier.

We also have some different coals to try out for the steam locos, Brian had been in touch with a Rolleston coal merchant and we have now had a delivery of coals to try. The majority is either Ohai or Redvale but there are a couple of bags of other coals. The idea is to run all day on a particular type and compare notes at the end of the days running so we can see how our locos steam, and how the fuels behave regarding clinker (or hopefully not).

Wednesday Working

On return from lock down it was found that the rabbits had been busy and one or two unwanted holes had appeared. The track seems to have faired pretty well and had not disappeared under a covering of weeds. Rankin had to give the NZR point lever a little attention with the "hot spanner" as some of the nuts on the holding down fixings had succumbed to the rust bug and were in need of replacement. Brian has also given the weed killer waggon a touch of maintenance





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3rd Sunday Running

The day started out reasonably dry but cloud and showers edged in as the day progressed such that we packed up a little early as the visitor numbers dropped off after lunch







The committee would like to announce that the

2020 Annual General Meeting

of the

Whangarei Model Engineering Club (Inc)

will take place at 2pm on Sunday 19 July in the clubhouse following public running.

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