



## **June Newsletter 2018**

### **President Report.**

Hi all,

The steam rally was a great success and looks like the best we have ever done financially. I would like to thank all our volunteers and supporters that participated, without you we could not have had this rally. I would especially like to thank those who made the extra effort to be involved and help where needed.

We now have the new tractor shed up and running after the official opening on the rally day by the park management Nicholas Dodd and the shed was also named after two of our long time members Bob Aird and Reg Hodgson.

We have been invited to participate in this year's exhibition, taking in two steam rollers, two traction engines and our stationary engine and also the small petrol engine roller which belongs to the RNA that has been given us on a permanent loan and to restore. These would be on display with only one traction engine (Jennifer) running during the day.

We are calling for help with this, you would be given passes to be on site and would have breaks during the day or during the time you are there, I would suggest you catch a train in though.

Please contact Gary Olsson who is in charge of this project if you are interested in helping.

For those of you who don't know about Bob Aird our treasurer, he is unwell at the moment and will not be around as much for a while, so I have taken up the roll as assistant / temporary treasurer for the time being to take the load off him and to help him out for a bit.

Bob and his wife need a little time to adjust to his condition so if you visit or call – of which I'm sure wouldn't mind – maybe just make it short until he's back on feet and back to some sort of normality.

We wish Bob the best and hope things improve quickly for both of them.

Thank you all again for all the effort you all put in to help keeping the place and history going.

Dave.

## **General Business**

Our new custodianship has started with the RNA's Barford Perkins 1931 Cricket pitch roller arriving before the Steam Fair. Thanks to some members and exhibitors the roller had a small run around the exhibit area and drove into the workshop on the Sunday afternoon. Ian J is doing some mechanical work to make it more reliable.

It is that time of year again when Memberships are due;

Membership fee is still \$50.00 dollars Adults and \$25.00 Juniors you can see Dave at the shed or electronic transfer funds

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Just a reminder of who the Project Leaders are;

**Ekka** Gary Olsson

**Marshall RL** Bill Ives

**Fowler Stump Puller** Mark Gough

**Shop** Leeann Gough

**Aveling Roller** Dave Anderson

**Barford Perkins Roller** Gary Olsson

**Steam Fair** Bill Ives

**Blackstone** Shane Lyell

**Tractor Shed** Dave Anderson

**Steam Shed** (workshop, Display and Storage Areas) Bernard Fellner

Please ask these people if you want to get involved with any of the projects or if you want to bring anything into the shed you need to get approval from Bernard.

There will be a working bee on Saturday June 30 from 9 am to finish cleaning up the wood area in readiness for the next load.

## **Ekka**

The Ekka Display has now been planned and the transport has been ordered. The RNA is covering all the transport expense. We are looking at getting Banners, Signs and leaflets made to increase our advertising. This will be a great way to get the word out about our Society and the great work we do. We are hoping that a sponsor we have been talking to will assist with the cost of making the advertising material. We do need more people to assist over the 10 days plus the set up day on August 6 and the pull out day on August 20.

Working Bees are planned for 7/7/18 and 28/7/18

- Fill fence support drums with gravel and concrete.
- Collect fencing together and put other barriers in its place.
- Repair and paint fencing.
- Make display sign stands and paint.
- Get tent down and clean and check.
- Clean engines, Bedford and the Barford Perkins roller.
- Repair broken wooden wood box and give both a coat of linseed.
- Fill boxes with wood

Thank you to those that have already said they can help. If you would like to join the fun (and hard work) please contact Gary Olsson on 0414881273 or [livesteam002@yahoo.com.au](mailto:livesteam002@yahoo.com.au)

## **Fundraising Committee Report**

The shop sales have been going very well especially at the Steam Fair. This is one area that is growing and could do with some more helpers. Please contact Leeann if you can help

## **International Tractor**

The bucket has now been fitted which will make this a really useful machine.

## **Marshall Road Locomotive** Bill Ives

Col has made a guide to help with the drilling of the rivet holes.

## **Tractor and Truck Museum** Dave Anderson

The building had its opening on the Sunday of the Steam Fair. The clear panels have been fitted in the roof giving a great amount of light in the shed.

## **Fowler Stump Puller** Mark Gough

Our Boiler inspector has assessed the engine giving it a good report and a small list of repairs that need to be done.

## **Old Petrie Town Steam Fair** Bill Ives

The Steam Fair was a great success with an estimated crowd of 12,000 people being on site over the 2 days. We had some issues with parking around the display area but that was lessened with the help of some exhibitors putting up some more fencing. The public parking was at capacity with queues down Dayboro Road. Nicholas Dodd is in charge of the public parking and he is assessing the situation.

## **Blue Cards**

As we now have a number of Junior Members and we are looking at expanding our School and YMCA Camp program later this year it is highly recommended that all members obtain a Queensland Working with Children Blue Card. These Blue Cards are free for volunteer groups so there is no expense involved. Dave is able to help anybody that is going to get one.

The NHMA has a Working with Children Policy that we will be using. Here is a link to their web page, [http://www.nhma.com.au/downloads/WWC\\_policy.pdf](http://www.nhma.com.au/downloads/WWC_policy.pdf)

## **Purchasing Procedure**

You will have already received a notice about the way forward for all purchases this is just a reminder of the main points. All purchases will now need a purchase order number supplied by the Treasurer and that there is a floating scale of required authorisations depending on the items cost. All items will need to be for an approved project. Any unauthorised purchases will NOT be reimbursed. Contact Dave

## **Committee Contact**

The Committee Members all have a pigeon hole in the Kitchen for messages and ideas. They can also be contacted via the Society's Email [livesteam002@yahoo.com.au](mailto:livesteam002@yahoo.com.au)

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If you have anything to place in the Newsletter please email it to [livesteam002@yahoo.com.au](mailto:livesteam002@yahoo.com.au)

Members Meeting Sunday July 1st at 2pm

Regards

The Committee

PS please find a letter from Bernard Fellner our Shed Leader. This letter was read at our last Members Meeting and was voted on to put it in the Newsletter.