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| SAILING COMMITTEE | | | |
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MEMBERS HEADS UP FOR NEAR FUTURE EVENTS

September 30th.

Ararimu School Gala.

Saturday 3th of September

10.30am(approx.) to 2.30pm.(The school holds their annual calf day before the gala kicks off)

Labour Weekend

Hawera

Saturday and Sunday 21st and 22nd October

Start Early finish late.

October 28th.

Maungawhau School Gala

Saturday 28th of October

11.00am to 3pm

December 2nd

Newton School Gala

Saturday 2nd of December

2pm to

CLUB POOL CLEAN

The club pool

Saturday 14th of October

Start about 8am, go till we finish.

Bring gum boots, brooms, wheel barrows and shovels if you don't mind getting wet and mucky.

Taupo Model Railway Exhibition 2017.

Once again another show comes around all too quick. Time just seems to fly by these days. The time tested routine works best when preparing to go down to Taupo for the model railway exhibition. Dave and I loaded up the trailer on Thursday afternoon, Nick came with us this year. He parked his car in my garage for the weekend and hitched a ride with me. A quick check for any last items that could have been left behind and we were away. The traffic was light, we got a couple of showers before Tirau and none after, arriving in Taupo just after 11.30. We were actually one of the first to start setting up our display which we completed by 2pm.

This year was the 22nd birthday of the Taupo Model Railway Exhibition and they again managed to put together a very good show.

The Aero clubs had a display of flying models and a full size Glider which they were giving people turns to sit in and get the feel of being in the cockpit of a glider.

There was a bouncy castle for the little kids and a table for anyone who wanted to have a try at gluing up a model airplane kits. And of course RC Boats to drive around a pool.

For the big boys the local vintage car club had a selection of old and not so old cars to tease the memories.



For the girls there were knitters and spinners, stamps for the collectors and several model rail setups to look at for the young at heart. The weather down and back was good. Mostly the rain and cold stayed away. The promised sunshine turned up each day, which always means the people go up the mountain not to the Events Center. It would not be a weekend to remember if something silly did not happen. We had the frame of the display stand up when I realized we had left the shelf planks behind. So we had to make do with a pair of tables. We also left the sponge and bucket behind so Monty went and borrowed one from the kitchen and we used a sponge he had in his car.

Cheers all



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BOAT TABLE - JULY



Colin Hollingworth borrowed the plan for Ian Donald's Footy and has produced his own yacht. The mast foot is on the deck not the keel. Colin just needs to make the sails and we have the start of a footy fleet in the club

Bob Kempster has picked up a commission to build a model of a catamaran called Mack Attack. The model is to be used in an impending court case.

Gary Armstrong Brought in some 3D fittings he is making for a model warship he is building. t find out more , ring Gary for the details.



Ian D has a Castle Class frigate which was made by Dick Hopper many years ago. It is looking a bit tired now but is on the list for dockyard repair.

Ian also has a tug based on the Billings Bankert. This is also on the repair list!!



Michael Barron has finished his kitset of the Elswette, Rescue Boat. Having seen it on the water I can tell you it is a very impressive sailing model.

CLUB NIGHT

Wednesday the 12th of July 2017

Meeting chaired by President Alister Leask.

MEMBERS PRESENT. 19

APPOLIGIES. Dennis Lake. David Meehan.

VISITORS. There were no visitors.

NEW MEMBERS Malcolm Chapman from Glendowie has joined SMM. A warm welcome to Malcolm and we hope you enjoy your membership.

NOTICES and ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Arrangements for Taupo were finalised.

GENERAL BUSSINESS.

The chair gave the meeting a report on the recent Boat Show and Model X shows we have attended.

The Secretary asked for expressions of interest from members for a Tuesday club to tidy up the pool once a month. The day would be the first Tuesday of each month. If you are going to help, bring a boat and your morning tea.

SAILING COMMITTEE

Sailday is on the 23rd of July. The usual Mercantile Steering, Tug towing and Naval Steering to be run.

GUEST SPEAKER

No Guest Speaker This Month.

FROM THE BOAT TABLE

Meeting closed at 8.10pm

Duty Committee Member for August, is Alister Leask

Duty Committee Member for September is Committee

Duty Committee Member for October is Bob Kempster

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE!!

Full memberships subscriptions are \$40.00

Associate Members subscriptions are \$20.00

Junior Members subscriptions are \$20.00

THE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF SCALE MARINE MODELLERS INC,
HELD IN THE ASME CLUBROOMS, PANMURE, ON WEDNESDAY the 13th of July 2016

Meeting Chaired by, President Alister Leask

PRESENT, Alistir Leask, Bob Kempster, Ian Donald, Jerry Payne, Malcolm Thomas, Brian King.
Dave Bowyer. Nick Basson

APOLOGIES. Graham Macferson

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The Minutes of the last meeting held on the 14th of June 2017 were circulated and taken as read.

Proposed by, Bob Kempster and Seconded by Malcolm Thomas.

All

Agreed

MATTERS ARISING;

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

NEW MEMBERS;

Malcolm Chapman has joined the club

Proposed by Alister Leask and Seconded by Bob Kempster

All

Agreed

CORRESPONDENCE

The secretary Presented the Correspondence for July

Proposed by Ian Donald and Second by Brian King.

All

Agreed

TREASURERS REPORT;

The Treasurer presented the balance sheet for June

Proposed by Jerry Payne and Seconded by Bob Kempster.

All

Agreed

SAILING COMMITTEE;

Sailday for July events: - Tug Towing Naval Steering and mercantile Steering, weather permitting.

GENERAL BUSINESS;

The Secretary expressed concern with the Committee Boat roster due to the numbers available to fill the roster. Committee members decided the numbers and the roster were something we had to put up with at present.

Alister Leask suggested he would approach Michael Barron to see if he would consider joining the committee.

Alister Leask thanked all those who had assisted on the Boat Show, Model X and Taupo

Jerry Payne Proposed the club has a listing on its website for 3D fitting links to web sites where they can be found.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.10pm

THE NEXT DUTY COMMITTEE MEMBER;

For August is Alister Leask.

For September is the Committee.

For October is Bob Kempster.

Once in a century!!

Amazing Feat of Navigation

The passenger steamer SS Warrimoo was quietly knifing its way through the waters of the mid-Pacific on its way from Vancouver to Australia.

The navigator had just finished working out a star fix and brought the result to the master, Captain John Phillips.

The Warrimoo's position was LAT.0 degrees 31' N and LON.179 degrees30'W.

The date was 30 December 1899.

First Mate Payton broke in....."You know what this means.....we're only a few miles from the intersection of the Equator and the International Date Line"

Captain Phillips was crafty enough to take full advantage of the opportunity for achieving this navigational feat of a lifetime.

He called his navigators to the bridge to check and double check the ship's position. He changed course slightly so as to bear directly on his mark.

Then he adjusted the engine speed. The calm weather and clear night worked in his favour.

At midnight the SS Warrimoo lay on the Equator at exactly the point where it crosses the International Date Line.

The consequences of this bizarre position were several.

The bow of the ship was in the Southern Hemisphere and the middle of summer.

The stern was in the Northern Hemisphere and in the middle of winter.

The date in the aft part of the ship was 31 December 1899.

The date in the Forward part of the ship was 1 January 1900.

This ship was therefore not only in two different days, two different months, two different years and two different seasons, but in two different centuries all at the same time.

CLUB EVENTS CALENDAR

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| August | Sunday 6th | Yachts |
| | Wednesday 9th | Club Night and Committee Meeting |
| | Sunday 20th | Sailday |
| September | Sunday 3rd | Yachts |
| | Wednesday 13th | Club Night and Committee Meeting |
| | Sunday 17th | Sailday |
| | Saturday 30th | Ararimu School Gala 10.30-1pm |
| October | Sunday 1st | Yachts |
| | Wednesday 11th | Club Night and Committee Meeting |

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Boat Roster

When you are Roistered on for Public Boat duty, it is your responsibility to organize a replacement or swap if you can not do your roistered duty and to contact the Duty Committee Member to inform him if you are unable to do the duty and with whom you have swapped duty.

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| August | 6th | Alister Leask | Eldon Crombie |
| | 13th | Nick Basson | Mark Goddard |
| | 27th | Bob Kempster | Garry Hamlin |
| September | 3rd | Malcolm Thomas | Monty Jones |
| | 10th | Ian Donald | John Lucas |
| | 24th | Jerry Payne | Graham Macferson |
| October | 1st | David Bowyer | Rex Maddock |
| | 8th | Alister Leask | Karl Nicol |