





Friends of Archer Park Station & Steam Tram Museum Inc

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Christmas Closure - 21 Dec - 2 Jan

Please note our Christmas closure dates – we close from Friday 21 December 2018 and the doors reopen on Wednesday 2 January 2019.



BEST WISHES FOR THE FESTIVE SEASON AND A HAPPY, HEALTHY AND PRODUCTIVE NEW YEAR!

2019 Date Claimers

Sunday 24 February Family Fun Day

Wednesday 10 April School Holiday Activities

Wednesday 17 April School Holiday Activities

Sunday 28 April Family Fun Day Sunday 23 June Family Fun Day

Wednesday 3 July School Holiday Activities

Wednesday 10 July School Holiday Activities

Sunday 25 August Family Fun Day

Wednesday 25 September School Holiday

Activities

Wednesday 2 October School Holiday Activities

Sunday 27 October Family Fun Day

Friends of Archer Park

President: Ricky Weir

Vice President: John Kennedy Secretary: Elaine Alexander Treasurer: Merrill Fossey Safety Officer: Ian McCully

Rollingstock Supervisor: John Kennedy

Track Supervisor: John Kennedy

Museum Coordinator: Janice Seymour

Meetings of the Friends of Archer Park are now normally on the fourth Tuesday of the month in the refreshment room, the next meeting is 12:30 pm, 22 January 2019.

Coordinator's Report

Congratulations to Elaine Alexander who has taken on the Secretary position!

We sadly say "Thank You" to Ian McCully, who has held the Secretary's position for the last year or so, and wish him well in Mackay and his return visits to Thailand. We have been lucky that Ian is still happy to stay in the Safety Officer position until we find another suitable person. Ian will also continue to help audit our Safety documents. We do miss your "presence" in the office!!

We are still waiting to hear back about a Volunteer Grant that we applied for. This is for a overhead projector, DVD, TV, Computer Tablet and A3 printer. We hope to hear about this in the New Year.

We hope to move forward next year with the CWM21 Camp Wagon Project. We will be applying for a Community Gambling Fund Grant to have carpentry works worth around \$16,000 done by a carpenter member of the Gracemere Men's Shed. We have been helped so far this year with them shaping and cutting wood for the ceiling inside of the camp wagon and they also made us our new money boxes that are on the Refreshment Room tables.

We are pleased to say that the *Best 100 Queensland Tourism Experience Report* put out by Queensland Events & Tourism has done a reassessment in regard to online booking and those who do not do this have been made exempt. So – we have now reached the required percentage to be considered to be eligible to be one of the 100 Best Queensland Experiences. Our score for experiences was 91% which is extremely good and means we have a lot of happy customers!!

We have completed our negotiations with Qld Rail and now have our new Interface Coordination Plan in place. This has been a positive experience where we have had a lot of good outcomes to assist both organisations in working well together.

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The Member Christmas party went well with around 25 attendees. Lots of great raffle prizes!

I would like to congratulate all the members and volunteers for having such a successful year. Everyone has worked very hard this year. We have had a lot of improvements over the last 12 months and when we have visitors that have been here in the past they all say how fantastic the station looks!

We continue to improve various items around the station, sometimes by us and sometimes by RRC. I have attended some training sessions at the RRC Art Gallery learning collection management methods that will help us to improve our management of our exhibit collection.

Our last day of Tram operations was on Sunday 25 November and the end of year servicing commenced the next day. We hope to have the Tram recommence operations on Sunday 20 January 2019

Janice Seymour

Family Fun Day and School Holiday Activities Planner 2019

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School Holidays 2019

Saturday 6 April – Monday 22 April

Saturday 29 June – Sunday 14 June

Saturday 21 September – Monday 7 October

Public Holidays Holiday/Closures 2019

Tuesday 1 January 2019 New Year's Day Monday 28 January 2019 Australia Day Friday 19 April 2019 Good Friday Sunday 21 April 2019 Easter Sunday Monday 22 April 2019 Easter Monday Thursday 25 April 2019 Anzac Day Monday 6 May 2019 Labour Day Monday 7 October 2019 Queen's Birthday

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