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ARCHER PARK

2019 Date Claimers

| Wednesday 10 April | School Holiday Activities |
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| 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 |
| Wed 25 September | School Holiday Activities |
| Wed 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, 23 April 2019.

Membership Fees: Please note it is now time to pay your membership fees. Please call into the office/phone or post your payment.

2019 AGM: The Annual General Meeting for the Friends of Archer Park Station & Steam Tram Museum will be held on Tuesday 28 May 2019 at 12.30pm.

Please note Nomination Forms for anyone who wishes to nominate for one of the Positions -President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer are available at the office. Nominations close 14 days prior to the AGM date.

Coordinator's Report

Murder Mystery & Mayhem: Our big success of the past 2 months is our Murder Mystery & Mayhem night - a play set in the 1920's where there are several murders that had to be solved. We had 100 tickets to sell and only 3 were not sold!! We did the fundraiser with the support of the Rockhampton Little Theatre and their actors in the play were amazing!!

Archer Park Rail Museum will be giving a donation to the Little Theatre from the profit to thank them for all their help. Merrill Fossey (APRM Treasurer) and Lana Watkins (APRM member) facilitated the event and we can't thank them enough for all their hard work! We have had a lot of enquiries as to whether or not we will hold another similar event, so we will be considering this in the future.

The team continues to work hard on the **ONRSR compliance documentation**, with a large group of us carrying out the Risk Register Audit in February - including Ian's Facetime from Thailand! Thanks Ian and everyone!

The **February Family Fun Day** had an attendance of 423 visitors - a good number and the kitchen was working hard also! We had the Rocky City Brass Band as well as the Sabaya Belly Dancers, Gail from Party Faces and other stall holders, along with our famous scones with jam and cream and Sausage Sizzle keeping them all happy.

The President - Ricky, Vice-President/ Rollingstock & Track Supervisor - John and the Coordinator - Janice attended the **ONRSR -Risk Management Training and ATRQ meeting** in Ipswich on 2nd March 2019. We all found this very helpful in our management of compliance and learning what ONRSR needs. When we were in Ipswich we were lucky enough to have Paul Slater Manager - Heritage Rollingstock Maintenance, arrange a tour of the Ipswich Workshops for Ricky, John and Janice which was very interesting. Our **Max Solutions Work for the Dole** group is helping us to complete a lot of work around the Museum and we are very appreciative of this help. Whilst the workers do come for a set period of time we are very pleased that Paula, one of our office workers has chosen to keep on coming in as she enjoys spending her time helping us. Thanks Paula!!

We have had the **RRC** come in and do some maintenance work on the metal work of the Tram and repaint to fix a few rust spots on it. We have been in planning sessions with the RRC for future budgeting for a major overhaul of the body of the Tram to make sure that we keep it well maintained.

We continue to work with Conway Creations to build the **new website** which we hope to be online by May 2019. It is very exciting to have a "new look" and we have also gained a new Logo.

Containers for Change: we now have an account with the Containers for Change. Anyone that wants to donate to Archer Park Rail Museum by cashing in cans or bottles can take them in and tell them to put the money into Account: C10158834. This will mean that the value of the cans/bottles will be credited to our bank account. Please drop us an email or call to let us know of your kind donation.

We are happy to announce that we have been successful in getting a **Volunteering Grant** to the value of \$2,106. This will allow us to purchase a new printer, TV and DVD, projector, I-Pad and accessories. This will improve our ability to train volunteers and have the ability for visitors to provide feedback via the I-Pad.

Janice Seymour

