

Friends of Archer Park Station & Steam Tram Museum Inc

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ARCHER PARK

RAIL MUSEUM

2021 Date Claimers

Wednesday 7 April: School Holiday Activities
Wednesday 14 April: School Holiday Activities
Sunday 18 April: Car Park Markets Family Fun Day
Sunday 25 April: Closed/ANZAC Day
Monday 26 April: Closed/ANZAC Public Holiday
Monday 3 May: Closed/Labour Day
Sunday 9 May: 10:00am Mother's Day Morning Tea Fundraiser
Sunday 10 June: Closed/R'ton Show Holiday (TBC)
Wednesday 30 June: School Holiday Activities
Wednesday 7 July: School Holiday Activities
Sunday 22 August: Car Park Markets Family Fun Day
Wednesday 22 September: School Holiday Activities
Wednesday 29 September: School Holiday Activities
Monday 4 October: Closed/Queen's Birthday
Monday 27 December: Closed/Christmas Day
Tuesday 28 December: Closed/Boxing Day

Friends of Archer Park

President: Ricky Weir

1st Vice President: John Kennedy

2nd Vice President: Dennis Sheehan

Secretary: Elaine Alexander

Treasurer: Paula Roberts

Safety Officer: Shaun Hudson

Rollingstock Supervisor: John Kennedy

Track Supervisor: John Kennedy

Museum Coordinator: Janice Seymour

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Meetings of the Friends of Archer Park are now normally 12:30pm on the fourth **Wednesday** of the month in the refreshment room.

Coordinator's Report

AGM: The AGM for the "Friends" will be held on Wednesday 26th May 2021 at

12.30pm. Nomination Forms for the various positions will be available from the office. Nominations close 14 days prior to the AGM.

Please come along and support your Management Team or see where you can assist in some way. We are currently looking for a Catalogue Officer as we lost Shelley to a work opportunity.

Increase in Membership Fee: The motion put to the February 2021 member's meeting to increase the fees from the \$10 it has been for many years, to \$15 per year, was successful. Fees are due - so if you can drop in, call us with your card or send a cheque - whatever method works for you!

Compliance Inspection: Our compliance inspection by ONRSR, on Rail Safety Worker Competency and Rollingstock and Infrastructure Maintenance, went well, with no issues, and the final report has been issued.

Queensland Rail — Interface Coordination Plan: We recently received notice that QR was making some major changes in its procedures for track work, with QR wishing us to follow the QR systems.

Upon receipt of this, we notified QR that due to the major change, as per Section 7.1(d)(e)(f) the current ICP would cease and that we would have to negotiate a new agreement.

We have had excellent negotiations with QR, with the 2 QR staff working on the ICP making the effort to check the legislation as well as what we do and how we operate, prior to our meeting. QR now understands that they do not own the track or land that we operate on, and our track is not linked to the QR track.

This also has implications, but of course we run parallel to the QR track so safety procedures are extremely important. The new ICP and Risk

Assessment should be complete in April 2021, starting a new era of better understanding between the organisations.

Rollingstock: We are still waiting for the Billard wheels to be repaired. The tram operations are going well.

Car Park Bitumen: The drainage work in the car park is going well and nearly finished. The car park will have its bitumen done on Thursday 8 April and we believe that there will be no problem in getting the work completed prior to our Car Park Markets.

Car Park Market Family Fun Day — Sunday 18 April 2021, 8:00am-1:00pm: We have good bookings for community displays and stalls and the day will be a major fundraiser for the Museum.

There will be no charge into the Markets, but a discount fee into the Museum. Tram Rides will be by ticket, but no lining up — s ticket holders will be called on the PA system.

If you can assist us on the day and have not yet put your name on the roster - please call the office or drop in.

Mother's Day Morning Tea Fundraiser: We will hold a Mother's Day Morning Tea on Sunday 9 May 2021 at 10.00am. It will be \$38 per ticket with a fashion parade and displays for the guests.

If we get 60 tickets booked will are thinking of closing the museum that day to the public but will make the decision closer to the day.

Volunteers on the day would be helpful, if you can let us know if you can help please.

Visitor Numbers: At the end of February Visitor Numbers are down by 1251 over the same time last year. We are hoping that our Car Park Markets will help bring up the numbers.

Month and Year-to-Date Comparison:

2020/21 minus 2019/20

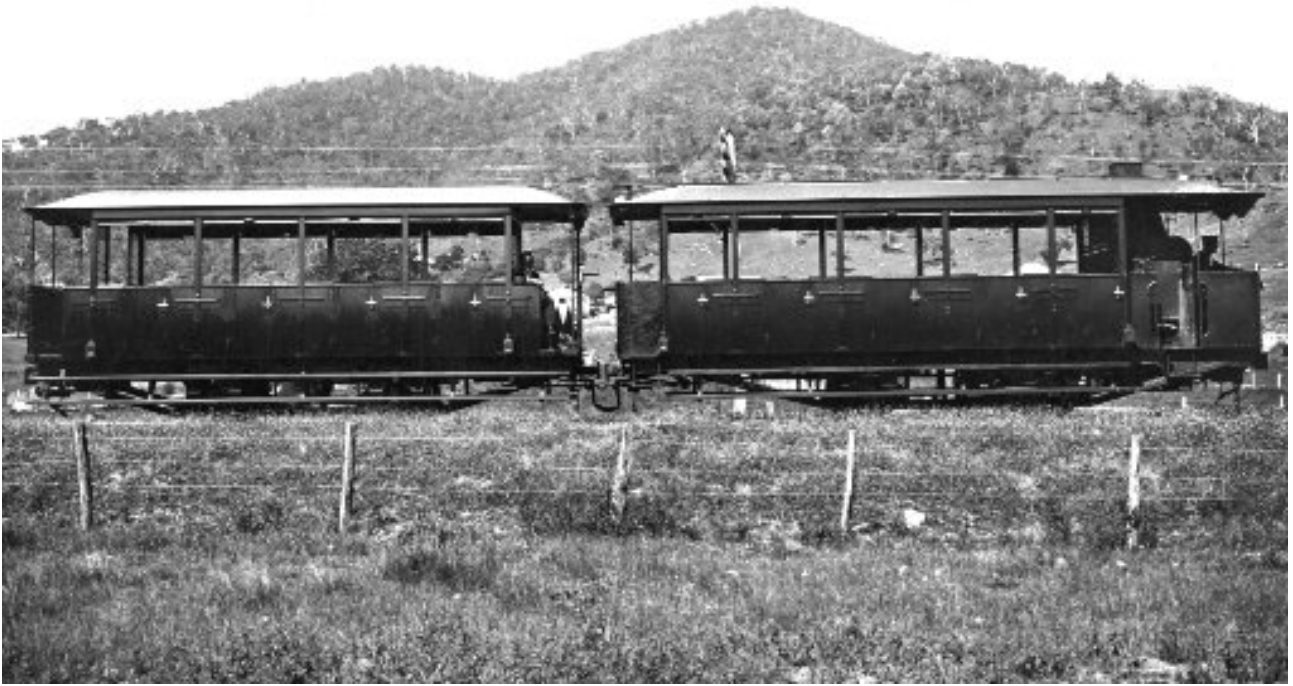
NOV	+ 83
YTD	-1069
DEC	+38
YTD	-1031
JAN	+120
YTD	-911
FEB	-340
YTD	-1251

2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021
GEN	GEN	GEN
144	127	192
SPECIAL	SPECIAL	SPECIAL
473	433	28
617	560	220
5381	5041	3790

New Members/Volunteers: We welcome Robert Read and Brendan Read who have recently joined the "Friends". Robert is a past member who was a Tram Driver and Brendan is his son. Both Robert and Brendan will comence their Conductor training in the next couple of weeks, and then likely to continue into Tram Driver Training. This will give our Tram Crew numbers a very helpful boost!!

We also have a new volunteer during the week - John Johnstone coming in on Wednesday and Thursday.

Janice Seymour



Queensland Railways Purrey Tram and trailer, presumably somewhere near the Meat Works on the Yeppoon Branch, date unknown. QR Heritage photo courtesy Arthur Robinson.