

## Friends of Archer Park Station & Steam Tram Museum Inc

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# ARCHER PARK

RAIL MUSEUM

### 2021 Date Claimers

Sunday 22 August: 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

Vice President: John Kennedy

Secretary: Elaine Alexander

Treasurer: Paula Roberts

Safety Officer: Shaun Hudson

Rollingstock Supervisor: John Kennedy

Track Supervisor: John Kennedy

Museum Coordinator: Janice Seymour

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

**Family Fun Day:** will be held on Sunday 22 August 2021. If you can help out please let us know. We will send out a roster in early August.

**June Family Fun Day:** The June FFD was financially successful with 226 visitors and 190 tram rides. These numbers are down from usual, but now we charge for entry - even if it is discounted - and this allows for a good fundraising event. The covid restrictions were improved just before the event and that helped.

Thanks to all the businesses that donated to our Multi-draw raffle that was drawn at the June Family Fun Day - there were lots of happy winners!

**Visitor Numbers:** we had a very good month for June this year with 841 visitors. That does include the Family Fun Day and one School

Holiday Activity. We were closed for most of June in 2020 and had around 600 visitors in June 2019.

**Significance Assessment:** We have received our Significance Assessment from Dr Melanie Piddocke. It has lots of good suggestions and identifies that we certainly have many significant items in our collection.

### Old Galleries & Museum Standards Review

**Program:** We have a small team, consisting of the Coordinator, Tony and Kate participating in this program. We have been completing the activities which will assist the QG&M to help us with our management of the collection.

**Coal Delivery:** We are very appreciative to Clermont Open Cut Mine, Glencore and Clermont Haulage (see photos next page) for the donation of 14 tonne of coal and delivery to our storage site. Without this coal we would not be able to operate the Tram. This coal will keep us going for the next 3-4 years!

**Track Work, etc.:** John Kennedy has been working hard lately and replaced a lot of sleepers in both Platform Road and Storage Road.

We are still waiting on the repairs to the Billard Wheels and it remains tagged out.

**New Contract:** We have been advised by John Webb that the RRC has approved the renewal of our next contract - as per the report that was submitted to them by John Webb. The RRC Council meeting also advised that the Councillors would like a Site Visit by them arranged and another report on our activities, wanting to consider "other operational options".

The July Monthly meeting was not held as both the Treasurer and Secretary were unavailable. We pass on well wishes to Elaine Alexander who is unwell at the moment.

*Janice Seymour*

