



THE CENTURION SMOKEBOX

"Providing smoking news and steaming interests to members and friends"



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Membership Fees 2017

2017 SUBS

**R300 FOR ORDINARY MEMBERS
R200 FOR SENIORS & STUDENTS**

Bank details for any payments to CSME.
For any payments please email details of payment to Mike at
csmo.09@iburst.co.za
Bank Details are as follows:
Bank: First National
Branch: Centurion, code 26-15-50
Account Name: Centurion Society of Model Engineers
Account No: 62060752906
Reference: Your Full Name/ subs 2017.

Note the account number change in red

Members are reminded that to obtain a CSME boiler certificate, the builder must consult our boiler inspector prior to commencing any work. This is to ensure the envisaged boiler is of an acceptable design and to ensure the boiler is built to current regulations and to plan the interim stages at which inspection is required. Our inspector is Leon Kamffer.

CSME have now adopted the Pietermaritzburg boiler code which will be published on the member's page of the website. **ALL members are requested to ensure that CSME have copies of the boiler certificates for all their locos. Copies can be scanned and sent by email to jonsamshaw@gmail.com or lloyd@telkomsa.net or alternatively either bring your certificate to Jon Shaw or Rudy du Preez on club day to be copied or scanned. We then have a record should there be any insurance or Health & safety queries.**

AGM have fixed the fees at the same level until end of 2017
Subs are now due for review at 2017 AGM for 2018.

According to our constitution those in arrears of subs for 2017 as at 1st May 2017 have automatically and voluntarily terminated their membership, and should contact the committee if they require being re-instated.

If you are intending to drive a loco on our track you must either have subs paid up to date as at the time of driving, or be a bona fide paid up member of another model engineering society to be covered by our public liability insurance.

Official correspondence and newsletter

If you are not receiving mail from the CSME you should contact the secretary or editor to update your details.
Those members without email can collect a copy of the newsletter from the clubhouse on track day.

The editor and committee wish all members, family and friends a happy and prosperous New Year.

Next Club Meetings

Next running day will be Sunday 15th January 2017.

Committee meeting. Saturday 14th January

Important Notices

1. The AGM will be on 19th February 2017 at 14h00 in the clubhouse. This notice is in accordance with the constitution.(relevant extract below)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING : held once annually as soon as is expedient after the end of each financial year at any time after the first day of January, but not later than the thirty-first day of March of the same year.
Notice to members - fourteen (14) days, in writing, stating date, time and place.

The following items are for sale at the kiosk

- 1 Steam cylinder oil Engen Gencyl 460 available in 2L@ R120, 1L, 500mL and 250mL sizes are while stocks last. Smaller quantity prices Pro rata. Pack sizes will not be replaced until entire stock is sold.
- 2 CSME coffee mugs, hats, and also 2016 national badges both cloth and metal.
- 3 Charcoal in 5Kg bags and firelighters.

Centurion Society Track Standards.

Please note the Centurion track standards have been published on the member page of our website.

Thanks

Our thanks this month go to all the ladies who had a hand in organising and providing our food for the Christmas party as well as the members who turned out to support it also Geoff Timmins who represented CMBC.

Thank you to Rocco Popich for his hard work organising the Santa, and prize giving. His organising and procuring of the prizes for the event were much appreciated by all attending.



LOOKING FORWARD INTO 2017 FORTHCOMING EVENTS

The 2017 National

2017 National Steam Meet – WESTERN PROVINCE LIVE STEAMERS - CAPE TOWN

We are pleased to confirm that the 2017 Steam Meet will be held from

Friday, 24 March 2017 to Sunday, 26 March 2017.

For the gathering that will be held at WPLS site in Bertie Granade Street, Parow (behind Ajax Soccer Field) we will accept locomotives et al from early on Friday morning and those who wish to leave on Monday morning 27/03/2017 will be permitted to stay one extra night on site.

Details of accommodation available - be it hire of caravans and/or camping facilities on our site, (as well as nearby B&B places) will be issued on our entry forms to be sent to all clubs in January 2017. This will also detail booking arrangements, programme of events and on site food/beverages/meals available, etc.

In order to enable us to hire caravans and organise on site food, etc. entry Forms must be returned to us as soon as possible but no later than 18 February 2017.

Ian Dorrat Chairman WPLS

The CSME are contemplating an event again over the 2017 September 23rd 24th 25th weekend. Watch this space for camping weekends in 2017.

Next Stars of Sandstone will take place from 30th March to 9th April 2017.

Monday Gang & Saturday Gang

The gangs have been re-working some of the irritating parts of the track so the new sections should feel much better and safer. If any driver or passenger feels a part of the track still requires attention please contact Leon Kamffer, Ballot Marx or one of the Monday gang.



This particular repair section required more sophisticated measurements to obtain correct alignment results.

Track Environs

During the shutdown, taking advantage of the wet period Wilson planted somewhere in the region of 20-30 more trees around our track, so the plant nursery has been emptied of trees. We are hoping that the newly planted trees are not mown down by the grass cutting machines prior to track day as the grass is so tall that some of them are dwarfed. The remaining bushes and shrubs must now be planted around the site to add some colour to the terrain.

We have some Kei-apple bushes around the site, which unfortunately should have been planted on the perimeter as a deterrent to our unwelcome guests, **so if anyone can give advice on how to successfully propagate new bushes from the fruit or cuttings please email the advice to jonsamshaw@gmail.com**

Alarm System

It seems that the funds were well spent on our alarm system as we had many night-time alarm trigger events over the period when Louw and Antoinette were away on leave. Tracing the alarm triggering patterns we could follow the insurgent's path from entry to point of interest which is where steel items were. This was born out by a further incursion after Louw's return to site when he was sitting on his stoep and heard noises from adjacent to the compressor house and coal bins, where thieves were again attempting to remove some of the old track sections stored there.

He successfully managed to frighten them off so we hope they will not return.

Commercials

Use this newsletter to advertise your for sale and wanted (wish list) items.

If the editor is not informed as to when to delete adverts, these will be removed at the editor's discretion

Jon Shaw is looking for a workshop manual for a 2005 Opel Corsa 1.7DTI Bakkie to either buy or loan for a few days. Email jonsamshaw@gmail.com or phone 0123320814 cell 0724370710 Haynes manual number 5577 is the nearest to my requirement unless you have genuine Opel documentation.

If you are interested in building a 7.25 Fairlie complex contact Jon Shaw who has access to drawings and some parts donated from the estate of the late John Gundry which can be viewed by appointment. A cash offer to the committee will be considered.



Arthur Culpan has these castings for sale, the loco is unknown, having seen these they could be 3½" or a small 5" and they look like they were originally sourced from the UK. Arthur is open to offers.

If you are interested phone him on 082 897 0249 or 011 452 2512 or fax 011 452 5946.

Ian Dewsbury is interested in the hobby and is contemplating constructing a loco, so he needs some means with which to proceed, so if you have a lathe for sale such as a Myford ML7 or similar in reasonable condition contact him at dewsburyian@gmail.com , alternatively if you can offer advice on which would be good Chinese lathes please contact him.



Warning! CSME is an endemic area.

When your wife
says she needs a
new broom, it's
best not to ask if
she broke the last
one in a crash
landing.