

Central Coast Steam Model Co-Op Ltd

Information for Prospective Members.

August 2020



NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!

Our club welcomes new members with an interest in our activities.

- Are you or a family member building a locomotive (or already have one), if so what gauge?
- Do you have any other steam machinery, e.g. stationary or road steam vehicles?
- Are you interested in helping to build track and other infrastructure on our grounds?
- Would you enjoy helping to maintain our track and grounds?
- Do you like driving (or want to learn to drive) miniature trains?
- Are you happy to manage crowds on our running days?
- Do you have a home machine shop?
- Any other relevant interest?

While few of us can say yes to all of these, most members would fall into several of the categories above. We welcome new members so, if you are interested in joining us, please read on.

Activities

- a) Our railway, workshop and meeting room are in Showground Road (opposite Bellbowrie Avenue) Narara.
- b) Our railway tracks are 5" gauge and 7 ¼" gauge.
- c) We are affiliated with the Australian Association of Live Steamers and a member of their insurance scheme. Members are able to visit about 80 other affiliated clubs throughout Australia on a reciprocal basis.
- d) We hold public running days on the first Saturday of every month.
- e) Working days are most other Saturdays and most Thursdays, particularly in the week before running day.
- f) Meetings are held on the third Saturday of every month unless that is close to a public holiday.

Our Objectives:

- a) To foster the gathering together of people who are interested in miniature engineering, and the building and operation of miniature model engineering machinery.
- b) To provide a venue and facilities for the enjoyment of members and their associates in running and operation of miniature engineering machinery.
- c) To promote interest in miniature model engineering machinery.
- d) To provide a recreational and instructive reminder of engineering machinery and motive power, of both the past and present, for the community at large.
- e) To promote or carry out or assist with any charitable undertakings as desired by the members.

- f) To operate, maintain and carry on a club.

Miniature Railway Operations:

To be able to participate in the operation of our Miniature Railway you will be required to complete the brief safety training courses that we provide for our members. Pending completion of any course members must restrict their activities during public running hours to those approved by the Duty Officer, or other competent member, having regard to supervision available and competence demonstrated.

To be able to operate a locomotive at our facilities during public running hours you will be required to gain the necessary Miniature Locomotive Drivers Licence. Members without a licence have ample opportunity to practice at our track outside public running hours.

To be able to operate a steam locomotive on the club track the locomotive must have a current boiler certificate. We can help with the necessary inspections and certification for most boiler sizes.

Membership:

- a) We have two classes of membership: full membership for those over the age of 18 years, and junior membership for those between the ages of 15 and 18 years.
- b) Our Rules require our members to be active. A member shall:
- (i) Pay an annual subscription, currently \$25.00 for Junior/Pensioner/Concession members and \$50.00 for others. Subscriptions are due on 1st July and must be paid by 31st August each year;
 - (ii) Attend and participate in at least two public running days during a period of twelve months, and
 - (iii) Attend at least two club meetings during a period of twelve months, and
 - (iv) Attend and participate in at least two rostered working days during a period of twelve months.

Prospective Members:

Prospective members wishing to join the Co-op must complete the attached Application for Membership form and return it to the Secretary along with the sum of \$35.00 (Junior, pension, concession members) or \$60.00 (all others). These amounts include the subscription for the current financial year and a compulsory \$5.00 share (both refundable if your application is not accepted) and a \$5.00 application fee.

Prospective members are expected to demonstrate their sincerity and intentions by joining other members in active participation in at least two working days before the board considers their application. If this participation is not completed within four months then, unless other arrangements have been made, the application lapses.

Prospective members are expected to apply for a Working With Children Check number (free of charge for volunteers) if they don't already have one.

Other

The Central Coast Steam Model Co-Op Ltd is a non-trading share Co-operative, registered under the Co-operatives National Law (NSW), it is NSW Co-operative No. 804. Privacy notice: It is necessary for the Co-op to collect personal information from its members. The Co-op and its members use this information to coordinate the activities of its members and for related purposes only. Members are required to take reasonable steps to protect the privacy of personal information that they acquire in the course of their membership.

Our postal address is PO Box 692, Gosford, NSW 2250. Email: secretary@narara.cjb.net

We do hope that you can join us!

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP



I hereby apply for membership as a **FULL MEMBER / JUNIOR MEMBER (under 18)** of the Central Coast Steam Model Co-operative Ltd and be allotted one share therein.

Surname of Applicant: Given Names:

Home Address:

Postal Address: (If different to above):

Email Address:

Phone Numbers: Home: Mobile:

Occupation:

Date of Birth: Working with children check no. (if you have one)

Are you a member of another AALS Affiliated Club? **YES / NO** If yes, name of other club:

Emergency Contact Details: Surname: Given Name:

Relationship: Contact Phone Number:

I acknowledge receipt of, and have read, the document *Information for Prospective Members*.

I agree to be bound by the Rules and By-laws of the Co-operative and by any alterations to them, in accordance with the Co-operatives National Law (NSW).

Dated this day of 20.....

Signature of Applicant:

Signature of Guardian (if under 18): Name of Guardian:

Nominating Member Signature: Name of Member: (If no nominator is available then please submit with this line blank. The secretary will arrange an alternative interview.)

Complete this form and submit it together with payment of \$35.00 (Junior, pension, concession members) or \$60.00 (all others).

This application is to be sent to: **The Secretary, Central Coast Steam Model Co-op Ltd,
PO Box 692, Gosford NSW 2250**

or scan and e-mail to secretary@narara.cjb.net and pay the relevant amount by bank transfer to BSB: **062-544**. Account: **0091-5419**. Reference: your name.

Office Use Only:

Date Received: Incoming File Number:

Application, membership and share fees received: \$..... Receipt Number:

Membership Application: **ACCEPTED / REJECTED** by the Board of Directors.

Dated this day of 20