

Members Evening 25th May

You are invited to our members evening in the Park on Thursday 25th May from 7pm onwards
This might be your last chance until the park reopens
To be able to get some hands on driving of the Operational trams in the Summerlee Fleet.

You will also have a chance to have a look around
The tram depot and see the restoration progress being
Made by your fellow members and it might even make
You realise that there is a contribution that you could make.

Enter by the middle gate as per last year and drive down
To the tram depot where you will be made most welcome

If you have not yet renewed your subscription then
This could also be the opportunity to do so.

We do hope you will come

Tram Related Events

Blackpool Totally Transport Event on Sunday 25th June .
Related events on the Saturday.
Check www.totallytransport.info

2006 Festival of Model Trams 22/23 July at the Manchester
Museum of Transport Boyle St. Manchester.
Check the t-lrs site for full details

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Bob Sutherland with 53

MEMBERS' NIGHT - 25th MAY

(See Back Page for Details)



AT THE RECENT A.G. M. THE FOLLOWING OFFICE BEARERS WERE ELLECTED FOR 2006/07

CHAIRMAN	George Broom
SECRETARY	George Murray
TREASURER	Bob Sutherland
MEM/SECRETARY	Ronnie Maclean

COMMITTEE	Bob Connor John Traynor
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TROLLEY EDITOR	Duncan White
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1017 CO-ORDINATOR	Charlie Morrison
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CLEANING OFFICER	Andy Jamieson
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Chairman's Chat

After a long drawn out winter it is time to enjoy this late spring with the delights of early flowers and trees once again coming to life. One unexpected joy is the ability to experience all this from the top deck of 53. Yes, the tramway is still running and should continue to do so into the early summer. Some final details have still to be ironed out before Lottery money is forthcoming and the development project is on hold for the short period it will take to resolve them.

Let us however go back to mid winter (well it felt like it) Thursday 16th March the date of our AGM. Unfortunately snow was forecast and I think this affected the number of people who were able to attend.

The AGM, as always, was a good opportunity to catch up with old friends and review progress made over the previous year.

Bob Sutherland our treasurer once again advised us of forthcoming legislation that will cause difficulties and expense if we wish to continue with the charitable status our Group currently enjoys. This will be a difficult decision to make when the time comes and we would welcome advice from anyone who has been dealing with this subject.

After the business of the meeting had been completed our guest speaker Neil Ballantyne the Park Manager gave a comprehensive talk on the Park development. We were delighted to learn no cut back on our running track will happen although boarding positions will change because of the new entrance.

The evening ended with a splendid buffet which because of the understandable poor turnout ended up being a feast with many attendees leaving with doggie bags.

I would like to thank all who attended and hope you had an enjoyable evening.

Bob Sutherland and George Murray our Trainers, continue to do sterling work and have provided the Group with three new motormen. Charlie Morrison, Peter Ramsay and Harvey Milligan. Congratulations to you all.

Training is ongoing but owing to the uncertainty of how long the tramway will remain fully open, there can be no guarantee training will be completed. Members who began training a couple of years ago but never finished should consider this opportunity as a chance to pass out.

Our new motorman are a welcome addition and the Park management have recognised the improvements we have made to fulfilling our commitment to crew the cars five days a week. Again, I would like to thank all those who crew the cars and with the price of petrol touching one pound a litre (probably more than that by the time you read this) I appreciate the financial sacrifice people travelling a distance to cover a duty are making.

Without fail David Sloan has been available on Thursday evenings and this is reflected in the

