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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Thirroul Railway Institute, September 2018

TRIPS Annual General Meeting was held last Saturday, 15 September 2018. The meeting marked the end of a very busy year for TRIPS and I would like to thank the outgoing Management Committee members for their service.

The election of Officers for the coming year was overseen by the Returning Officer, John Wark.

Office Bearers for 2018/19 are

President: John Tuckerman
Vice President: John Devenish
Secretary: Hugh Harvey
Treasurer: Brigitte Tuckerman
Public Officer: John Wark

I would like to thank Heather Hill for her work as Treasurer and editor of our newsletter, *The TRIPS Times*.

This is Heather's last newsletter as editor and with her departure the role of editor of *The TRIPS Times* becomes vacant. Any member who would like to take on the role

of editor for the TRIPS newsletter is most welcome to apply. As you will know, *The TRIPS Times* is issued a few times each year and is an important vehicle for communicating with our members. Please contact me if you are interested in taking on this role.

In other news, planning is well underway for the internal painting of the Institute and the replacement of new curtains throughout. It is anticipated that the painting and new curtaining will start by early next year.

We await the outcome of our grant application in the State Government's Community Building Partnerships (CBP) Program which will assist us in the funding of these projects. Successful grant recipients will be notified by the CBP project team in November/December of this year.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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In addition to our work commitments, we also have a number of social activities planned for members.

The first of these is our excursion to the Macquarie Lightstation on Sunday, October 28, travelling by train, bus, ferry and on foot. This excursion takes in Watson's Bay and promises to be a great day out.

Later in the year, on November 24 from 4-6 p.m., we will be holding our TRIPS End of Year Celebration with music, wine and supper. The last time we held an end of year function like this we had great fun. More details will be included in the next issue of *The TRIPS Times* but I would urge members to note the date – Saturday, November 24 – in their diary.

The next Working Bee and TRIPS Committee Meeting will be held on Saturday, December 8. All members are most welcome.

*John Tuckerman,
President*

VALE

It is with deep regret that we note the passing of the following TRIPS Member:

Nicholas Lorne Kiceluk

September 6, 2018

MEMBERSHIP DUES:

Fees for TRIPS membership for the 2018/19 year are now due.

Fees are \$10 per member and may be paid by cheque or by direct bank transfer to the TRIPS account: BSB 062-607, Account number 00903395. Please include your name(s) if you choose to pay by direct bank transfer so I can update our records accurately.

With our membership renewal drive for 2017/2018 only recently completed in support of our CBP grant application, you may not be certain if you have paid fees for the coming year. Please contact me on 0404 936087 or by email on h.hill2519@gmail.com if you would like to check your membership status.

Best wishes,
Heather Hill

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Macquarie Lightstation Excursion for TRIPS Members and Guests, Sunday 28th October

Eight intrepid members have so far signed up for the tour of Macquarie Lightstation which, I am told, involves walking up 100 steps to reach the top. The views, however, are reported to be well worth the effort. The tours are run by a dedicated band of volunteers and must be booked by the first of the month in which the tour is offered.

For our TRIPS excursion on October 28, this means the deadline for booking a tour of the Lightstation is October 1. Can you please contact me before Monday, October 1, if you would like to be a part of the group touring the Lightstation by phone/SMS on 0404 936087 or by email on h.hill2519@gmail.com.

The tour of Macquarie Lightstation is optional. You do not have to join in the lightstation tour if you think it may be too hard on the knees (I am thinking of myself here), as there will be many other interesting aspects of this excursion to enjoy.

The excursion will involve train, bus and ferry travel between Thirroul, Macquarie Lightstation and Watson's Bay.



Excursion Cost:

Opal card travel and lunch will be by own arrangement. Macquarie Lightstation Tours cost \$5 per adult and \$3 concession/child.

The cost of the excursion for non-members is \$10, plus the cost of the Lightstation Tour.

The excursion timetable is as follows:

<i>Sunday, 28th October 2018</i>	
<i>08:51</i>	<i>Depart Thirroul Railway Station</i>
<i>10:27</i>	<i>Arrive Edgecliff, change to bus departing from Stand D</i>
<i>10:38</i>	<i>Bus departs Stand D</i>
<i>10:56</i>	<i>Bus arrives at Macquarie Lightstation</i>
<i>11:00 – 11:30</i>	<i>Tour of Lightstation for those booked</i>
<i>11:30-12:00</i>	<i>Walk to Watson's Bay</i>
<i>12:00-13:00</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
<i>13:35</i>	<i>Ferry departs from Watson's Bay for Circular Quay.</i>
	<i>Change to Platform 1, Circular Quay Railway Station for train to Town Hall. Arrive Platform 1, Town Hall, and change to Platform 4</i>
<i>14:24</i>	<i>Train departs Town Hall for Thirroul</i>
<i>15:54</i>	<i>Train arrives Thirroul Railway Station</i>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- Working Bee**
Saturday, December 8,
8 a.m.
- Committee Meeting**
Saturday, December 8,
9 a.m.
- Final date for booking
Macquarie Lightstation Tour**
Friday, September 28
- End of Year Celebration with
Music & Supper**
Saturday, November 24,
4-6 p.m.