

# THE OAMARU STEAM AND RAIL DIGEST

NOVEMBER 2023



## On the Railway

- We carried 374 passengers in October.
- B10 has had its injector plumbing standardised on 1 inch pipes, which has improved performance considerably over the previous mix of pipe sizes. The injectors use steam to force water from the side tanks into the boiler, which is under pressure. The loco has had its brakes tested and will have a final test run this coming Sunday before steaming over the Victorian Heritage weekend of 18 and 19 November. Next Wednesday, the workshop is also open to the public as part of the Victorian Heritage week.
- The digger sprang an oil leak between the motor and transmission. That seal is being replaced, and the engine bearings are being done at the same time. The digger bucket is also being painted.
- On the trackwork front, several rail joints have been checked and tightened near the clay cliffs where 23 new sleepers were installed.
- TR 35's air compressor has been adjusted and more red paint is appearing on the loco. The Alliance DSC's overhauled and tested air compressors have been received back.



## Annual General Meeting

The Society's AGM was held on 28 October. Congratulations to the following officers on their appointment:

President: Alan Killick  
Vice President: Ken McCallum  
Secretary: Arthur Mahan  
Treasurer: John Dustin  
General Manager: Harry Andrew  
Chief Engineer: John Paul, acting (Position available)  
Committee: Still have 2 vacancies, please enquire if interested



*Bucket attachments welded and painted.*

*Something's missing....*

*DSC air compressors.*

## Coffee and a Chat, Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> - TOMORROW!

Our Monthly Coffee Chats are held from 10:15am on the second Friday of the month at The Brydone. Anyone is welcome to come along for a cuppa and a chat!

## Christmas Dinner



*The 2023 Oamaru Steam and Rail Christmas Dinner was held on 28 October at the Fort Enfield.*