



Lake Macquarie Live Steam Locomotive Society Membership Information

Joining the LMLSLS

Lake Macquarie Live Steam Co-operative is looking for new members. The co-operative operates as a Society or Club and has premises at 32A Charles Street, Edgeworth.

We have 3.5", 5" and 7.25" gauge railways, a 45mm gauge garden railway, plus five club locomotives for use by members. However, most of the locos you see on our community days are privately owned - privately built, purchased second-hand, and commercial locomotives available in kit form or ready-to-go. It's easy to get involved in playing trains.

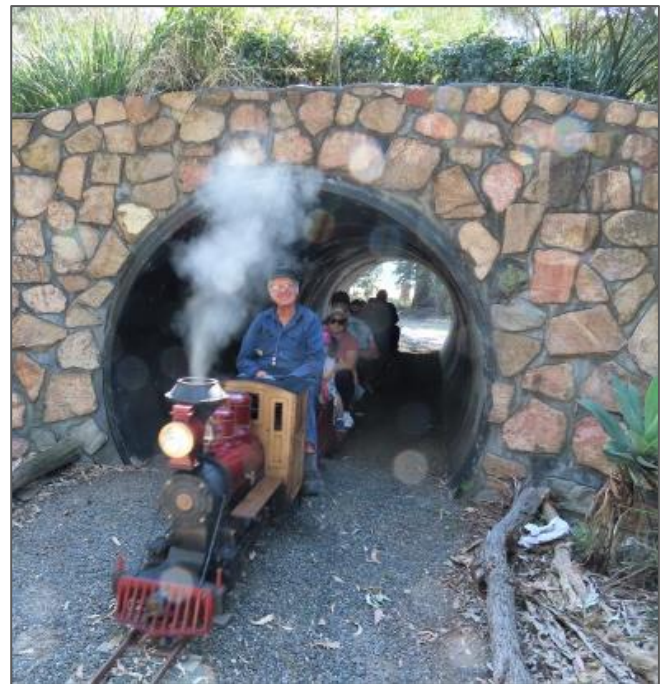
Our members are also interested in rolling stock, track work & points, signals, electronics and radio control, and of course, the operation of the site as a working miniature railway.

We are not just about trains – all aspects of model engineering are welcomed. Members build a wide range of miniatures, from stationary engines, boats, machine tool accessories and even clocks, in all sorts of materials. Whatever your interest, there will be like-minded members to talk to.

The Club has an extensive library of engineering and model engineering books and magazines, a collection of locomotive and other plans, and a workshop equipped with some machine tools for use by members of the Club and their projects with guidance available by experienced members.



Model engineering is a perfect hobby for all ages. Currently, active membership ranges from 14 to over 90, so don't feel you are too young or old to participate. This is an interesting hobby with mental stimulation and gentle activity provided especially for those about to retire or recently retired.



What we offer

- Friendship and fellowship with people of similar technical interests.
- Workshop and some machine tools available for use by members.
- Extensive library of engineering and model engineering books and magazines, and drawings for models.
- Advice from members who have experience with models of all types.
- Members, family, and friends play days.
- Partners may join or wish to help in the canteen on our community day. We welcome and encourage family involvement.
- Affiliation with other clubs in Australia – many inter-club events are held around Australia.



- Buy, sell and swap tools and models ranging from locomotives to workshop equipment.
- National Liability Insurance, and our own boiler inspectors.



Role of Members

Members help run our passenger-carrying railways on community days. These community days help fund our Club and maintain our park. On the last Sunday of the month (except December), the Club operates a Community Day and opens to the public, with typically 2,000 rides provided between 1230 and 1530.



On the 2nd Sunday of the month, there is a club meeting in the morning. A Family and Friends Play Day is held on the 3rd. Some Sundays and Wednesdays are used for bookings by pre-schools, playgroups or charity groups.

All other Sundays and Wednesdays are working-bee days (unpressured, great social opportunity), a Christmas party night out and other social activities.



If you have any questions or would like a membership application form, please drop in to see us at 32A Charles Street Edgeworth on a Wednesday or Sunday, email us (see contact details below), or download a membership application form from our website.



Contact us?



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