

DUNEDIN HERITAGE LIGHT RAIL TRUST



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- Official Public opening of Stage One Cable Car House
- Report on revised drawing design of Stage Two Cable Car House
- * Donation of a new Cable Car book.

Welcome to our current newsletter Issue 17 with updates and articles on the cable car progress.

Forward progress has been slow as we wait for confirmation negative or positive on our application for feasibility funding from the Government.

However the wheels must always be kept rolling or we will lose momentum.

This time the comment is exciting, rewarding and positive,

Please read on!

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Grand Opening
31 August, 10am
See you there

OFFICIAL OPENING OF CABLE CAR HOUSE

The Trust has chosen the 31st of August as the day they officially acknowledge the completion of Stage one to the public.

The event will commence at 10am with a welcome to all from the Trust's Chairperson followed by a brief comment on the Tramways Historical Society's restoration programme by Don McAra and then comments from M.P David Clark, M.P Michael Woodhouse and Mayor of Dunedin, David Cull.

This will be followed by the official 'opening' of the two roller doors to show Roslyn Cable Car 95 and Mornington Trailer 111 in all their glory. These two vehicles will then be rolled out of the building by members of the Trust and volunteers of the High Street Cable Car Society Inc.

Local members of Parliament have been invited and it is hoped that all local media will attend to record the event. The Trust has invited guests to the opening and the theme will be based around the closure day of the Mornington route, 2nd March 1957, and the end of cable car transport in Dunedin.

The book as mentioned on page three will be launched and on sale. Every sale goes towards Stage Two.

It is hoped that we will be visited by as many of the readers of this newsletter and the general public of Dunedin.

The Trust will also take the opportunity to launch Stage Two of the project.



New Cable Car Book

The Trust has recently received 300 copies of a newly printed cable car book named "MORNINGTON'S MARVELLOUS CABLE TRAMS" The Author, Hugh Ballment from Australia, produced the book based on a journey he made in 1954 and has dedicated these books to the Trust with all sales donated to the Trust's project funds.

This book is very picturesque and colourful and well worth getting. They can be purchased at the Cable Car House when it is open. The cost per book is \$50 and, with Father's Day approaching, would make a great gift. The Trust will launch the sale of the book on 31st August at the same time as the Official Opening of the Cable Car House. Books can also be obtained at UBS and Paper Plus in the Golden Centre Mall.

Bill Campbell, author of Strap Hangers and Grippers, will be providing an article on this new book for the local paper prior to the launch. The Trust will follow that up with an article in the Star newspaper along with the notification of the "Official Opening of the Cable Car House".

If you are outside of Dunedin and would like to purchase a book please contact the Newsletter editor at nkjemmett@xtra.co.nz with your name and mailing address for delivery.

Deposit \$50 plus \$5 postage into this account

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Alternatively, please post your cheque directly to:

Treasurer
Dunedin Heritage Light Rail Trust
100 Letts Gully Road
RD 3
Alexandra.

Delivery will be made on confirmation of order.

REVISED DESIGN OF STAGE TWO - NEW CABLE CAR HOUSE

View looking north towards the park.



The Cable Car House design above is a revised edition of the original design provided last year. This design has not met with overwhelming support from several followers of the Cable Car project. With that lack of support in mind, the Trust will continue on with the Michael Wyatt design. We know that his design was only the first attempt, and to be used only as an architect's impression of what can be achieved. The final design will depend on how much park reserve land we are able to lease with the final design dependant on the wishes of the Council's urban designer. The Trust has spoken to staff of the Council's lease and building staff at Mornington Park and are feeling positive that we can fulfil their requirements to their satisfaction. With that completed the Trust will now turn its attention to the Council's planning department using the Wyatt design and seek their comments before preparing another more definitive design.

LOOKING AHEAD ...

- * Up to date information on where the current status of the project lies
- * A progress report on Stage Two

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