


TROLLEY

SUPPLYING A STEADY CURRENT OF NEWS FROM SUMMERLEE'S LIVE-WIRE

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I would like to wish you all the very best for 1992 and hope you had an enjoyable Christmas.

OPERATING NEWS

There is no news to report on the actual tramway itself although major contractual work has started on the site, namely on the Sawmill (beside the car stop), the miners rows in Hornock Village and the relaying of the majority of the site's footpaths and roads. This is not expected to affect the Tram Service to any great degree.

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TRAMCARS

Car 53 Work is progressing at a steady rate on 53. The interior has been re-floored and the longitudinal seating is currently being fitted. On the top deck railings have been fitted. The upstairs "swing" seats were completed some time ago and are ready for fitting.

Car 225 is currently decked out in fairy lights and has wooden figures and Christmas trees etc. fastened to both sides and ends.

Car 1017 has been extensively covered by tarpaulin due to severe rain penetration at both platforms.

Car 9062 is continuing to receive new window rubbers. Many of the old rubbers are in very bad condition which hold water causing body corrosion. If any member has experience in bus/coach/tram glazing their help would be **greatly** appreciated. Summerlee electricians have fitted a full size Bruxelles controller at No. 2 end similar to that of No. 1 end. Air brakes will also be added at this end. The double-ending of the car is to enable 9062 to run efficiently on the extension.

MEMBERSHIP

The time has come, once again, when members must air their wallets and renew their subscriptions to the group. Fees are yet again unchanged (Adults - £3; UB40/Retired - £2; Junior (U-16) - £1). Please complete the attached form and return it as soon as possible to:

Membership Secretary, Mr P Robertson,
67 Admiralty Road, Rosyth, Fife, KY11 2QL.

COMPETITION

Wanted: The Summerlee Transport Group wants to have its own logo for use on publicity material, letterheads, uniforms, merchandise etc. To this end the committee announce a competition open to the membership to design a logo device. Your design should be in black and white only and submitted on an A4 sheet of paper with your name, address and membership number to Mr P Robertson, 67 Admiralty Road, Rosyth, Fife, KY11 2QL. The winning design will be announced at the AGM in March. The committee reserve the right to modify the chosen design as required. The winner will also receive a year's free subscription to the Group.

MEETINGS

Meetings for 1992 are held in the conference room adjacent to the Ironworks Gallery and start at 7.30 pm unless otherwise stated. Refreshments are usually provided. The dates for your diary are as follows:-

- 9th January - subject to be confirmed
- 6th February - subject to be confirmed
- 5th March - Annual General Meeting
- 2nd April - subject to be confirmed
- 7th May - subject to be confirmed

DEPOT MAINTENANCE

In late November the Bothy sustained slight damage from 9062.

HORSE BUS

The Trust has received a horse bus for future preservation. It is currently on display in the Exhibition Hall minus wheels (and horse!). It is a four window model of the late 1800's period.

HERITAGE PARK OPENINGS

The Heritage Park will be open through into 1992 except for the following dates:-

December 25 & 26 1991

January 1 & 2 1992

SPECIAL EVENTS 1992

Provisional dates for 1992's major events are as follows:-

Spring Fling	Sat 2 to Mon 4 May
Historical Vehicle Festival	Sun 28 June
Steam Rally	22/23 August
Model Engineering Fair	12/13 September
October Fair	Sat 10 to Sun 18 October

FRIENDS OF SUMMERLEE

Transport Group members are welcome to attend any meeting of the "Friends". Meetings are held in the Conference Room adjacent to the Ironworks Gallery.

Tue 11 Feb - Brian Lambie

Biggar Museum Trust

Tue 17 March - AGM

SCOTTISH INTERNATIONAL TRAMWAY ASSOC.

SITA, owners of Car 1016, hold meetings throughout the Winter. STG members are welcome to attend any of these meetings in the City Halls, Glasgow - enter by door F in Albion Street. Meetings begin at 7.30 pm:-

Tue 21 Jan European Miscellany 1

Tue 11 Feb European Miscellany 2

Tue 14 April subject to be confirmed

**Gary C Conn
Summerlee Transport Group
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