

President's Newsletter

I have been duly elected to take on the presidents roll of the Christchurch Model Railway Exhibition Society (CMRES) after the retirement pf Neil Andrews. Neil had served the CMRES for many years and has left rather large shoes to fill. On behalf of everyone I wish Neil all the best in his future endeavours.

This year's Big Model Train show is as big as it gets. We have a booked-out show, with 23 layouts big and small so filling the hall to capacity. A wide spectrum of railways will be on show including British, European, American and New Zealand in scales from Z to G. For those that want to stock up, we have 15 traders from near and far participating as well. The public will be asked to vote on their favourite layout by filling out the provided form upon entry to the show These forms will go into a draw to win one of the two return travel passes, one on the Tranzalpine scenic train, the second, a return trip on the Coastal Pacific Scenic Train.

These Fantastic prizes were donated with many thanks by Great Journeys New Zealand of Kiwirail. Winners will be advised the week following the show so contact details are a must.

Two trophies will be presented on Saturday Evening One for Public Vote and the other by yours truly as the Presidents Vote. A layout and trader get together will be held on Saturday evening with Pizza and fizzy drinks. This will allow contestants to talk shop and check out layouts themselves

Kind regards
Daryl Roe
President (CMRES)