

RAILWAY CRAFTSMEN NEWSLETTER

A very successful event was held in Picton on 2 May 2015 to install W. Bro. Rowdy Robertson into the chair at The Waitohi Lodge No. 111.

There were 27 railway Brethren that attended on this occasion and participated in the installation ceremony under the leadership of RWBro. Warren Workman PProvGM. RCA members participating were as follows: VWBro. Malcolm Stone PGDC (GDC), WBro. Doug McDonald (Piper), RWBro. David Marshall PDepGM (SGW), WBro. Colin Wolfsbauer PGD (SGD), WBro. Ron Mail PGSwdB (JGD), WBro. Rowdy Robertson (Master-Elect, Invest DM), WBro. Noel Mangin PGBB RH (PG&PW), WBro. John Lockyer PGD (GC, ME Obligation), WBro. Chris Hobbs PGS (Obligation, Invest Almoner), VWBro. Harry Halliday PDistGM (Traditional History), VWBro. John Crouch PDistGM (Secrets), RWBro. Warren Workman PProvGM (Installing Officer, Invest Sec/Tr, A to B), WBro. Adrian Douglas (WT – board), WBro. Bill Hudson (WT – FC), WBro. Brian Morris PGStdB (Charter), VWBro. Mike Kendrick GAlm (A to WM), WBro. Ray Keenan PGS (A to Ws). VWBro. George Stables PGLec was invested as SW, Bro. Scott Pickering was invested as SD, WBro. Neville Gibbs was invested as Tyler and WBro. Allan Beck was invested as Tyler and Chaplain. WBro. Bob Wolfenden also attended.



The Assembled Brethren after the installation:

WBro Ray Keenan PGS, WBro Neville Gibbs, VWBro Mike Kendrick GAlm, WBro Noel Mangin PGBB RH, Bro. Dave Alecock (not RCA), WBro Bill Hudson, WBro Kerry Spinks, WBro Ron Mail PGSwdB, RWBro Warren Workman PProvGM, WBro Brian Morris PGStdB, WBro Colin Wolfsbauer PGS, WBro Tony Rich PGS, WBro Rowdy Robertson, WBro Bob Wolfenden, WBro Chris Hobbs PGS, VWBro Malcolm Stone PGDC, RWBro David Marshall PDepGM, Bro Scott Pickering, WBro Alan Gordon, WBro Alistair Stoddart, WBro Viv Sheehan, WBro Adrian Douglas, VWBro John Crouch PDistGM, WBro John Lockyer PGD. Already headed to refectory were VWBro Harry Halliday PDistGM, WBro Doug McDonald, WBro Allan Beck, VWBro George Stables PGLec

WBro. Rowdy Robertson thanks the Railway Craftsmen Association brethren that attended his installation.

Petone Flag ceremony

Some RCA members were present at the annual flag ceremony on ANZAC Day at the site of the original Petone railway workshops. VWBro. Malcolm Stone PGDC laid a wreath on behalf of the Railway Craftsmen Association.



50 years – Bro. Ernie Porter

Bro. Ernie Porter received a 50-year service award and jewel from RWBro. Michael Scott at Lodge Waikanae No. 433 and was congratulated by the Waikanae brethren and representatives of the Railway Craftsmen Association.



UPCOMING RCA EVENTS

2015

2 June	Initiation of Mr David Brewer, locomotive engineer at Greymouth Lodge No. 1223 EC
6 June	Installation of VW Bro. Dick Williams at Phoenix Lodge No. 1690 EC, Westport
25 June	Initiation of Mr Dudley Don Silva at Lodge Waikanae No. 433
11 July	Raising of Bro. Kelvin Williams at Te Awahou Lodge No. 133 (Foxton), 2pm by Fire Brigades
6 August	Passing of Bro. David Brewer at Greymouth Lodge No. 1223 EC
5 September	Installation of Bro. George Crossley (ex Addington shops), at Greymouth Lodge No 1223 EC
7 November	Installation of Bro. Jonny Brunton at The Coronation Lodge No. 127 by District 19 officers

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21 April Installation of Bro. Neil McKee at Trentham Lodge No. 262 by RCA & Naval Craftsmen

KEEP IN TOUCH

Brethren - please keep in touch with the Secretary/Treasurer regarding any workings or bereavements of Railway Craftsmen. RCA members can be presented an Installed Master's apron on being installed into the chair of King Solomon for the first time. Please advise the Secretary/Treasurer if you know of any members who are to be installed. This will allow the presentation plaque and presentation of the apron to be arranged. Advice to the Secretary/Treasurer allows details to be distributed amongst the members. We rely on you to be our eyes and ears; your assistance is appreciated. Please send photos of any event you attend to the Secretary/Treasurer for distribution in the newsletter.

RAILWAY CRAFTSMAN MERCHANDISE



Members can purchase the items shown above from the Secretary/Treasurer using the order form below. There are plenty and we will order more merchandise from the suppliers if needed.

RCA MERCHANDISE ORDER FORM

Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Item No. Price Total	
Railway Craftsmen Tie \$21.00	
Railway Craftsmen Cap \$13.00	
Railway Craftsmen Lapel Badge \$15.00	
Postage \$6.00	
Total	

Send (with payment) to: Bill Hudson, Secretary/Treasurer, Railway Craftsmen Association, 24A Duncan Street, Tawa 5028. Please make cheques out to the Railway Craftsmen Association.

Internet Banking - payment can be made in to the following Account: **01-0527-0007014-00** ANZ Bank Marlborough Branch - Railway Craftsmen Association. Please include surname and item as reference **and** advise the Secretary/Treasurer when payment is made.

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