



# LEVIN WAIOPEHU TRAMPING CLUB [INC]

## NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2009

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Mount Ruapehu Lodge  
Iwikau Village  
Ph (07) 892 3802

**LIFE MEMBERS:**

Mike Buckley, Peter McChesney, Dave Dittmer, Keith Mackie, Andrew Bertram, Rachel Marshall, Frank Dement, Malcolm Emmerson, Ernest Maluschnig and Maria Clement.

**PATRON:**

Frank Dement

**PRESIDENT:**

Wayne Donovan (04) 905 3535

**VICE PRESIDENT:**

Geoff Oates (06) 363 8671

**SECRETARY:**

Patsy Broad (06) 354 9861

**TREASURER:**

Malcolm Emmerson (06) 368 9256

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Megan Jensen (06) 358 2780

**TRAMPING CO-ORDINATOR:**

Sue Clelland (06) 367 2568

**WORKS OFFICER:**

Mike Bennett (04) 298 3370

**SKI CAPTAIN:**

Kath Eastham

**EDITOR:**

Marlene Pouri-Lane (07) 854 8949

**COMMITTEE MEMBER:**

Cavin Jensen (06) 358 2780

Gwen Lauder (06) 364 8541

Lyn Evans (04) 904 1665

Dean Johnson (06) 367 0763

Rebecca Le Quesne (04) 297 1022

John Evans (04) 904 1665

Fax (04) 904 1666

**BOOKING OFFICER:**

**Note:** No calls before 4.00 pm or after 9.00 pm.

## GREETINGS FROM THE EDITOR

Hi All

Autumn has arrived and as I organise this issue, I hear snow is falling in the deep South – roll on winter! Obviously with the chilly mornings and nights, and daylight saving finishing, it's time to start dusting off the winter gear and check that our boots and skis are the correct sizes – and for some, perhaps time to actually update!

A big congratulations to Jason Donovan who was part of the NZ team to compete in the Special Olympics earlier in January this year. Jason came back with a few medals – and no doubt a very grin to go with them – just hope there is enough wall space left for them to hang alongside all the others.

**This newsletter gives formal notice to all members of the Annual General Meeting to be held Sunday, 26 April 2009 at 12 noon with a BBQ followed by the AGM.**

**All members are encouraged to attend.**

Mt Ruapehu's Early Bird season passes are now on sale, so check out their website for your bargain!  
<http://www.mtruapehu.com/winter/home/>

Cheers

Marlene Pouri-Lane

Editor [mpourilane@xtra.co.nz](mailto:mpourilane@xtra.co.nz)

## **FROM THE BOOKING OFFICER**

Reminder that we are now taking bookings for the Whakapapa lodge during winter.

## **FROM THE MEMBERSHIP OFFICER**

The Committee would like to farewell the following member:

Duncan Amos  
Blair Family  
Warren & Gwen Lauder & Family

and wish you all the very best for the future.

## **WANTED – CUSTODIAN**

Are you a people person? Are you looking for a challenge? Are you looking for a winter of fun? Then look no further – we have the job for you!

Unfortunately Josh and Leana are unable to undertake the custodian role this year at Whakapapa and we are on the search for a new custodian(s). Single or couples may apply. Responsibility and initiative are two of the key attributes you should have. If you think you have what it takes and this may be the winter job you were looking for, please contact Wayne Donovan on (04) 905 3535 for further details.

## **A MOVE SOUTH!**

Best wishes to Dave & Val Dittmer who moved at the end of February to Mt Cook, where Dave has taken up a role as Service Manager for DOC. An exciting new job, which will use his varied outdoor, SAR and organisational skills.

## **BARGAINS**

Copies of the illustrated, 52-page Club 75 year History book, and A4 sketches of the inside and outside of our earlier Waiopahu II tramping hut, can still be picked up from Ross Kerr, at Coopers Law, 288 Oxford St, Levin, (06)368-6157, or you can be mail a request to him, at PO Box 540, Levin, 5540.

## **'DINNER & DANCE' @ LORENZ'S**

RAL are having its first 'dinner & dance' @ Lorenz's this Queens Birthday Weekend. It's aimed at getting the clubs and local community in for a fun night to start the winter season @ Whakapapa! The theme will be a 'speakeasy' during the 1920's Prohibition - so it's definitely a dress up night - gangsters and gals. There's going to a marquee on the new (much bigger) deck of Lorenz's to link the cafe with Rentals (upstairs) and give heaps more room for the event. In Lorenz's there will be a three piece jazz group, "Snazz Jazz" and upstairs in "The Boot Room" (aka Rentals) there will be a five piece jazz/blues dance band. They are going to deck out "The Boot Room" with black silk walls and generally make it look sleazy and sinister!

## **FOOTNOTES**

Footnotes, the latest edition of the Department of Conservation's Wellington Conservancy newsletter, can be downloaded as a pdf from the DOC website: <http://www.doc.govt.nz/about-doc/news/whats-new/footnotes/>.

## **A SUMMER ODYSSEY**

Travel 2,400 miles on harsh wilderness trails. Join two young men as they spend an entire summer hiking from Canada to Mexico. A SUMMER ODYSSEY: Forging America's Great Western Trail is now available as either an electronic book (E-book) or trade paperback. Both formats include over one hundred color photographs of the actual trek. Visit [www.HikingPress.com](http://www.HikingPress.com) to join in on this incredible journey.

## **PHOTO EXPEDITION**

The Tongariro Natural History Society is holding an exhibition of photos taken by William Salt in the early 1900's. The original lantern slides were found in a back cupboard at Whakapapa Visitors Centre last year and we have had them digitised. The photo exhibition will be held at The Taupo Museum during the month of April 2009. This is an open invitation to anyone and everyone that might like to come and view the photos on display. People will be able to order photos in varying formats, as prints, on canvas or on black block. For further details contact:

**Tongariro Natural History Society, PO Box 238, Turangi, Ph: 07 386 6499**

**Email: [info@tongariro.org.nz](mailto:info@tongariro.org.nz)**

## **SAVE THE CHILDREN TREK**

This November Save the Children is offering an exciting opportunity for New Zealanders to take part in a 13 day trekking adventure to Nepal. The trip will involve 5 days of trekking through the stunning Himalaya's, an opportunity to see first hand how Save the Children programmes help improve the lives of children and a chance to do some fantastic sightseeing.

The trip has been specifically designed so that anyone who is relatively fit and willing to train can take part. It's open to all ages, though anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Certain trekking equipment such as a trek pack, sleeping bag, duvet jacket and kit bag are provided and local guides and porters will also be on hand.

For further details contact, Lucy Mitchell, Save the Children New Zealand, Major Donor & Events Manager, PO Box 6584, Marion Square, Wellington 6141

## **2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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|--------------------|--|
| 18 April           | RAL-RMCA Iwikau Skifield Clean-up (back-up day Sunday if Saturday wet). Contact Scotty Barry, <a href="mailto:sbarry@mtruapehu.com">sbarry@mtruapehu.com</a> or phone (07) 892 3738 RAL will provide a sausage sizzle after the clean-up for those who help. |
| 19 April           | Mountain Clean-Up. Meet at the Top of the Bruce at 9.00 am. Contact Kath Eastham on 021 452 842 for further details.   |
| 31 May/1 June 2009 | LWTC Working Party – Food carry and general clean up of lodge. Contact John Evans.   |
| 31 May             | Dinner & Dance @ Lorenz's  |

***DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE – 31 May 2009***

# **AGENDA - LEVIN-WAIOPEHU TRAMPING CLUB 82<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2009 AT LWTC CLUBROOMS, PARKER AVENUE, LEVIN BARBEQUE AND AGM @ 12 NOON**

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting (6 April 2008)
4. Matters Arising From Minutes of Previous AGM
5. President's Report
6. Treasurer's Report
7. Notices of Motion
8. Election of Officers
9. General Business

## **MINUTES OF LWTC 81<sup>ST</sup> AGM – 6 APRIL 2008 AT LWTC CLUBROOMS, PARKER AVENUE, LEVIN @ 12 NOON**

### **PRESENT**

Wayne Donovan, Patsy Broad, Kent & Rebecca Le Quesne, Diane & John Denton, Diane & John Denton, Margaret Day, Mike Bennett, Geoff Oates, Gavin & Megan Jensen, Brian & Chloe Eastham, Kath Eastham, Gavin Knight, Phillena Paki, Dean Johnson, Noel Bigwood, Dave Dittmer, Pam Robinson, Warrick Price, Malcolm Emmerson, Sue Clelland.

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Amelie Le Quesne, Paul Robinson.

### **1. WELCOME**

The Club President welcomed members and thanked those present for their attendance at the AGM.

### **2. APOLOGIES**

John & Lynn Evans, Joanna & Jason Donovan, Pete & Marlene Pouri Lane, Alan Wright, Paul Whitehouse, Murray & Marcelle Douglas, Cushla & John Gavin, Barbara Andrews

### **3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The minutes of the 80<sup>th</sup> AGM were read and passed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

*Carried Wayne Donovan/Mike Bennett*

### **4. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM**

No matters arising from the minutes of the previous AGM.

### **5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Wayne Donovan once again thanked all those attending the meeting and noted that holding the AGM on a Sunday and incorporating a BBQ beforehand appeared to be a successful idea. Numbers, in terms of a quorum, had easily been reached. Wayne noted that the new insurance policy was working well. With regard to debentures Wayne stated that \$10,000 has been paid back to club members Debentures and it is hoped that further payments to debenture holders will be made after the ski season. An amount of \$13,500 is still owing to club members.

Issues relating to charges by "The Lines Company" continue to be of major concern to RMCA members – charges are over \$1,000 per month. Letters of enquiry have been sent to government departments and the matter is still ongoing for clubs.

Tramping trips continue, however, there are only a small number of members interested in the trips. Wayne gave thanks to the committee for work done on behalf of club members and a special thanks to Pete Pouri-Lane, Ken Hawkins and John Backler for all the work done in the hut over the summer. It is very much appreciated.

**6. TREASURER’S REPORT**

The Annual Report was tabled by the Treasurer and members present briefed on figures within the report. The Statements were adopted.

*Carried Malcolm Emmerson/Sue Clelland*

**7. NOTICES OF MOTION**

*MOTION ONE*

That subscriptions for 2008 be:

Adults	\$ 55.00
Juniors	\$ 30.00
Family	\$140.00
Associate	\$ 30.00

FMC levy of \$15 to be an optional extra for those who wish to belong.

*PUT TO VOTE Motion Carried*

*MOTION TWO*

**That membership joining fees for 2008 be:**

Adults	\$200.00
Juniors	\$ 40.00
Family - Maximum	\$340.00

*PUT TO VOTE Motion Carried*

*MOTION THREE*

That the Ruapehu Lodge Fees for 2008 be:

	Member	Non-Member
Adult	\$32.00	\$48.00
Discounted	\$20.00	N/A
Secondary 13-17	\$25.00	\$32.00
Primary 5-12	\$20.00	\$25.00
Pre School	\$ 5.00	\$10.00

Discounted Lodge Fees are available to:

1. Members who have done a Ruapehu work party in the last 12 months prior to the AGM.
2. Members who are over 60 years old with 10 years continuous membership.
3. Management Committee and their sub-committees.
4. Club Officers.
5. Life members pay food only – no lodge fees.

*PUT TO VOTE Motion Carried*

*MOTION FOUR*

That the Ruapehu Lodge Fees for the 2008/2009 off-season be:

	Member	Non-Member
Adult	\$15.00	\$25.00
Junior	\$10.00	\$15.00
Locker Fees	\$14.00	

*PUT TO VOTE Motion Carried*

*MOTION FIVE*

That Ernest Maluschnig become a Life Member.

Malcolm Emmerson briefed members on Ernest’s previous input into the clubs activities.

*PUT TO VOTE Motion Carried*

*MOTION SIX*

That Maria Clement become a Life Member.

*PUT TO VOTE Motion Carried*

Maria’s contributions to the club over many years were noted, in particular, her previous contribution as Chief Guide.

*MOTION SEVEN*

That an amendment be made to Clause 20 of the Club Rules to state “17 shall constitute a quorum” for AGMs and Special General Meetings. Provisions however, that in the event of a quorum not being achieved the Meeting shall be adjourned for seven (7) days and reconvened. Whoever attends the reconvened meeting shall constitute a quorum.

*PUT TO VOTE Motion Carried*

**MOTION EIGHT**

That an amendment be made to Clause 5(a) of the Club Rules to state “Every candidate for membership, except a spouse or a child under the age of eighteen years of a person that has been a member of the Club for more than two years, shall, prior to having his or her application for membership considered, participate in two (2) approved Club activities, provided that every candidate for membership must include in his or her two approved club activities at least one (1) tramping trip or one (1) work party. Every candidate for membership shall be proposed by one and seconded by another financial member of the club, and may then be elected to membership by the votes of two-thirds of those present at any meeting of the Management Committee.”

*PUT TO VOTE Motion Carried*

**8. ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

<b>Officers</b>	<b>Elected</b>	<b>Moved</b>	<b>Seconded</b>
Patron	Frank Dement	Malcolm Emmerson	Geoff Oates
President	Wayne Donovan	Rebecca Le Quesne	Patsy Broad
Vice President	Geoff Oates	Mike Bennett	Sue Clelland
Secretary	Patsy Broad	Wayne Donovan	Mike Bennett
Treasurer	Malcolm Emmerson	Kath Eastham	Gavin Jensen
Tramping Coordinator	Sue Clelland	Noel Bigwood	Wayne Donovan
Works Officer	Mike Bennett	Kath Eastham	Geoff Oates
Membership Officer	Megan Jensen	Wayne Donovan	Sue Clelland
Editor	Marlene Pouri-Lane	Wayne Donovan	Rebecca Le Quesne
Booking Officer	John Evans	Mike Bennett	Sue Clelland
Ski Captain	Kath Eastham	Mike Bennett	Wayne Donovan
Promotions Officer	Vacant		

**Additional Committee Members:**

Gavin Jensen	Wayne Donovan	Sue Clelland
Dean Johnson	Malcolm Emmerson	Wayne Donovan
Gwen Lauder	Sue Clelland	Noel Bigwood
Lyn Evans	Gavin Jensen	Sue Clelland
Rebecca Le Quesne	Wayne Donovan	Sue Clelland

**Honorary Appointments:**

Solicitors	Cooper, Kerr & Co (Jeremy Cooper & Ross Kerr)	Malcolm Emmerson	Noel Bigwood
Auditor	Mr Hoole	Wayne Donovan	Malcolm Emmerson

**9. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**SEARCH AND RESCUE**

Noel Bigwood spoke on Mountain Safety Council matters (Technical Committee for Bushcraft). It was noted that Horowhenua SAR was the only FMC affiliated member, was the most active branch in the country and that 80% of the instructors in the Horowhenua SAR are LWTC members.

**SOUTH OHAU HUT**

Sue Clelland noted that construction on the hut starts on 14 April with materials to be taken in by helicopter that week. When the hut is finished, LWTC will hold a work party to prepare the hut, chop and stack wood.

**MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

Gavin Jensen stated that the membership currently sits at 300. During the year there have been 13 resignations, 10 new members and 6 potential new members. 140 members still reside in the Horowhenua/Kapiti region.

Wayne Donovan thanked members for coming to the meeting, noting that the combination of BBQ, followed by AGM in the early afternoon had worked well. Members present noted that it was much easier to come to the AGM on a weekend and that the BBQ was a great idea.

***Meeting closed @ 1.20pm***

## **FINANCIALS**

Refer to last pages of this newsletter.

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#### *MOTION FIVE*

That a new Clause be added to the Club Rules to state “Any correspondence regarding accommodation at the mountain lodge must be received by the Management Committee within 14 days of the accommodation date, after which time, no correspondence will be entered into.”

## FINANCIALS FOR LWTC 82<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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### LEVIN WAIOPEHU TRAMPING CLUB INC

Income & Expenditure Account No 1

for the year ended 31 December 2008

<u>2007</u>	<u>RUAPEHU HUT ACCOUNT</u>	<u>2008</u>
	<u>Income</u>	
38,611	Hut fees	40,480
597	Locker fees	672
7,428	Food and supplies	7,860
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46,636		49,012
6,611	Costs - food & supplies	7,087
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40,025		41,925
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	<u>Less Expenses</u>	
1,090	Credit card fees	709
-	Custodian	-
11,156	Electricity	15,215
9,509	Insurance	9,516
2,421	Lodge service levies	3,278
1,852	Land rental	1,852
1,634	Rates	1,699
5,755	Repairs & maintenance	8,119
-	Subscriptions	-
1,748	Telephone/internet	1,784
1,518	Inspection services	621
-	Valuation fee	345
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36,683		43,138
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3,342		1,213
-	Add capitalisation sewerage expenses	26,669
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3,342	<b>Net gain</b>	<b>25,456</b>
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	<b>CLUBROOMS ACCOUNT</b>	
	<u>Income</u>	
1791	Donations	213
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	<u>Less Expenses</u>	
393	Electricity	250
2	Rent	2
0	Valuation fee	150
0	Repairs & maintenance	251
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395		653
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1396	<b>Net deficit</b>	<b>-440</b>
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**LEVIN WAIIOPEHU TRAMPING CLUB INC**

**Income & Expenditure Account No 2**

for the year ended 31 December 2008

<u>2007</u>	<b>GENERAL ACCOUNT</b>	<u>2008</u>
	<u>Income</u>	
12,879	Subscriptions	13,872
222	FMC levy	173
747	Joining fees	322
1,676	Interest	2,509
425	Dividends	407
-	Donations	-
62	Memorabilia income	-
-	Bonus Bond prize	-
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16,011		17,283
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	<u>Less Expenses</u>	
45	Bank fees	30
-	Credit card fees	-
169	FMC levy	116
428	General expenses	762
89	Huts and tracks	102
319	Printing & stationery	459
161	Postage	326
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1,211		1,795
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14,800	<b>Net gain</b>	15,488
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	<b>Summary Account</b>	
3,343	Ruapehu gain	25,456
1,396	Clubrooms deficit 2008	439
14,800	General account gain	15,488
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19,539		40,505
6,798	LESS Depreciation	8,786
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12,741	<b>Net Income for the year</b>	31,719
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**LEVIN WAIIOPEHU TRAMPING CLUB INC**

**Statement of financial position**

as at 31 December 2008

<u>2007</u>		<u>2008</u>
<b>Members' Funds</b>		
85,880	Opening balance 1 January 2008	98,621
12,741	Plus net income from Summary Account	31,719
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98,621	<b>Balance as at 31 December 2008</b>	130,340
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REPRESENTED BY-		
<b>Assets</b>		
2,782	NBNZ Subscription account	507
11,209	NBNZ - Call account	31,951
4,323	NBNZ - Current account	5,801
2,346	NBNZ - Food account	2,492
297	Sundry debtors	482
71,659	Fixed assets as per schedule	90,888
20,000	Deposit with NBNZ	-
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112,616		132,121
<b>Less Liabilities</b>		
495	Accounts payable	1,781
13,500	Members' loans	-
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13,995		1,781
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98,621		130,340
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**LEVIN WAIIOPEHU TRAMPING CLUB INC****Asset and Depreciation Schedule**

as at 31 December 2008

Item	Cost	Opening Book Value	Dep'n Rate %	Dep'n Method	Current Claim	Closing Book Value
Ruapehu Hut	79,300	-	-	-	-	-
Ruapehu Hut roof - Mar 2004	28,965	24,091	4.80	DV	1,156	22,935
Electrical alterations	13,154	6,573	5.00	CP	658	5,915
Forced ventilation system	13,364	5,178	10.00	DV	518	4,660
Bunk upgrades	2,858	1,231	10.00	DV	123	1,108
Gear	2,907	144	10.00	DV	14	130
Furn & fittings, Ruapehu	15,045	101	20.00	DV	20	81
Lockers	1,985	23	20.00	DV	23	-
Heaters	895	22	20.00	DV	22	-
Vacuum cleaner	743	18	20.00	DV	18	-
Carpet, Ruapehu	7,495	179	20.00	DV	36	143
Curtains, Ruapehu	1,461	35	20.00	DV	7	28
Tents	889	22	20.00	DV	22	-
Dehumidifier	710	22	20.00	DV	22	-
Lights	2,389	85	20.00	DV	17	68
FAX	622	22	20.00	DV	22	-
Stove	1,776	78	20.00	DV	16	62
Fridge Freezer, microwave	2,237	123	20.00	DV	25	98
5 heaters, Ruapehu	200	11	20.00	DV	11	-
Curtains	187	11	20.00	DV	11	-
Suite of seats	2,801	154	20.00	DV	31	123
Ice axes	436	37	20.00	DV	7	30
Dehumidifier	844	91	20.00	DV	18	73
FAX	382	52	20.00	DV	10	42
Vacuum cleaner	884	149	20.00	DV	30	119
Miscellaneous	799	134	20.00	DV	27	107
Mattresses	5,011	841	20.00	DV	168	673
Dehumidifier - Ruapehu	390	84	26.40	DV	22	62
Washing machine, June 05	311	143	26.40	DV	38	105
Dishwasher - Aug 05	578	323	21.60	DV	70	253
Sewerage scheme	62,170	56,890	9.00	DV	5,120	51,770
Freezer, Ruapehu - March 06	688	409	25.00	DV	102	307
Two ovens - October 06	1,493	1,050	25.00	DV	263	787
Vinyl flooring June 08	889	-	21.60	DV	112	777
Clothes dryer Rua Oct 08	222	-	31.20	DV	17	205
Heater - drying room Nov 08	234	-	26.40	DV	10	224
	255,314	98,326			8,786	90,885

**NOTE:**

The sewerage scheme cost now includes prior year expenses of \$26,699 which have been capitalised. Items with a NIL closing book value have been written off and will not appear in future Asset Schedules