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UNION
NSW LOCOMOTIVE DIVISION

Delegates
Conference
Schedule

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Day One 8 November 2016

9am Start – photos taken of all Delegates for locoexpress.
9:30am – 10am Open conference with brief words on why we are having the conference and list of speakers / guest as follows, then hand over to Brett for roll call of delegates.
10am – 10:25am Allan Barden – Assistant National Secretary
10:25am – 10:50am Alex Claassens – Branch Secretary
10:50am – 11:10am Morning Tea
11:10a – 12:30pm Delegate Training – “Being Union and What That Means” in the current political and industrial climate.
12:30pm – 1:30p Lunch
1:30pm – 2:30pm Colin Holmes – Managing Director Rail Compliance and Enforcement NSW Branch Director ONRSR at ITSR (NSW Branch ONRSR)
ITSR is an independent statutory authority of the NSW Government. Its principal objective is to facilitate the safe operation of railway operations in NSW. Under a service level agreement with the Office of the National Rail Safety Regulator (ONRSR), ITSR provides specific functions and services including operation of the NSW Branch Office of ONRSR and performance of a range of regulatory compliance and enforcement activities. ITSR also monitors, reviews and evaluates matters relating to the safe operation of railway operations in NSW and provides independent advice to the NSW Minister for Transport as appropriate.
2:30pm – 3:30pm Michael Barnes and Scott Dougall – Partners Carroll O’Dea Lawyers / Loco Division Legal Firm

Topics – Unfair Dismissal, Use of Social Media and Workers Compensation

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3:30pm – 3:50pm Afternoon Tea
3:50pm – 4:30 Roger Jowett – Retired RTBU National Secretary
100 Anniversary Celebrations 1917 General Strike
4:30pm – 5:00pm Finance and Membership Overview with additional time available for Delegate Q&A session with Executive and DC

Close at 5pm
6:30pm – 10:30pm Casual Dinner and Drinks - Windsor Hotel

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DAY TWO  9 November 2016

9am Start

9:10am – 10:10am  Organisers to give brief 30” report on their sections – Bob, Kevin, Steve and Farren

10:10am – 10:40am  Jess to give an overview report on divisional industrial matters (cross section)

10:40am – 11:10am  ASLEF UK

Mick Whelan  General Secretary
Dave Calfe  Executive Committee Member and Driver Virgin Trains
Hugh Bradley  Executive Committee District 2 in Scotland / Driver

About ASLEF

ASLEF is Britain’s trade union for train drivers. Its 19,500+ members are employed in the train operating companies, the freight companies, London Underground and some Light Rapid Transport.

The first recorded meeting of the ‘Associated Society of Locomotive Steam Enginemen and Firemen’ was held on 7 February 1880 and its first monthly magazine was published eight years later. The union has seen its members working 12 or 16 hour days and six day weeks; it has fought major industrial disputes; it has seen nationalisation and privatisation; it has witnessed massive growth in the railways and the slashing cuts of Beeching. Throughout it all, it has continued to advance the opinions of its members with dignity, force and coherence that should be expected of the UK’s foremost craft union.

Today the union’s head office is located at 77 St John Street, London EC1M 4NN. The union’s day to day direction is overseen by the Executive Committee. Each of its 8 regions has a District Organiser and an Executive Committee member, while the main negotiations with employers are undertaken by Company Council Representatives.

The union also has a retired members section and three consultative committees representing members who are women, black and ethnic and lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender. It is affiliated to the Trades Union Congress and to the Labour Party.

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DAY TWO 9 November 2016 (CONT)

11:10am – 11:40am  Morning Tea

11:40am – 12:10pm  RMTU New Zealand

Howard Phillips  NMC National Vice President & Central Core Rail Representative / Passenger Locomotive Engineer

Barry Simpkins  NMC Northern Core Rail Representative / Freight Locomotive Engineer

Todd Valster  Central Region Industrial Organiser / Union Organiser 15 years and history of Freight Locomotive Engineer

About the RMTU

The RMTU is a union for transport workers in which all members have equal rights, whatever their job.

With rapid change, and increasing competition in the transport industry it is important that workers are protected by a strong, well-resourced union, specialising in all aspects of the transport industry; rail, road and ports.

The structure of the RMTU gives members the opportunity to be fully involved in a democratic union as collective decisions are made which may affect member’s job and conditions of employment.

Members have the opportunity to elect their workplace union representative (delegate), as well as branch and national union representatives. Members have a voice at all levels of the RMTU.

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Britain’s largest specialist transport trade union

The National Union of Rail, Maritime and Transport Workers is a progressive, democratic and highly professional trade union, a fast growing union with more than 80,000 members from almost every sector of the transport industry – from the mainline and underground railways, shipping and offshore, buses and road freight.

Protecting and bettering our members’ pay and conditions is the key RMT objective. We negotiate with over 150 transport-sector companies – using every opportunity to drive home our positive agenda for better pay, shorter hours and safer working conditions.