

94 NOT OUT : Tales of an Engineer

Notes on new publication by Bob Norman

Bob Norman is a Past President and Distinguished Fellow of Engineering New Zealand. This book, a collection of anecdotes and poetry portrays a lifetime of reminiscences in engineering, public service, and village life.

“I guess I was one of the lucky ones” says Bob. “I came back from the war to a country which for six years had been deprived of the skills of 140,000 Kiwis on active service. We had neglected farmlands, gravel roads with broken-down bridges, overcrowded schools and hospitals – a heap of work and opportunities – and a political will and finance to get stuck in and fix it all”.

They were great days, while Bob worked his way up through the public service pecking order to become Commissioner of Works. A lover of poetry and fine writing, he inflicted on the bureaucracy and the political arena many examples of his satirical wit which did not always endear him with his superiors.

When he reached 94 years he found he still had a few things to write about – so here it is! For \$30 including postage and GST you can read all about it – and hopefully have a chuckle or two

The book is soft-covered, 124 pages, 230mm x 168mm bound. If you would like a copy, email me on bob.norman314@gmail.com with your postal address and I shall mail a copy to you with invoice so you can pay by cheque or on line.

So happy reading and *Bon Appetit!*

Bob Norman