Good day fellow members, we have had quite a few people interested in joining the club this month, we can certainly do with some new blood. Next month the meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon at the Stuart railway Diesel Shed. The meeting should start around 4pm followed by a look over the shed and a sausage sizzel with the shed crew.

I should have sent the renewal application forms last month, a bit of an oversight. Anyway once again we ask you to study the attached rules then sign and return the front page with your fee before the 30th of June. This allows the secretary send all the fees to our insurer NHMA in a lump sum, so that we receive our insurance cards on time.

On the 15th of last month, Merve, Russell, Richard, Ian and myself went to Ayr to display at Plantation Creek. The spot was even better than last year as we had the creek running behind us. This year we set up behind the Burdekin clubs fence, unfortunately I think the number of people were down on last year.

Merve, Ian M, Brian, Rod and myself went along to the Holy Spirit School, although we had a good spot at one of the entrances it was spoilt by having the lights behind us.

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We had a good view of the machines the public on the other side of the fence only saw silhouettes. We still enjoyed our selves, Merve kept us entertained with his demonstration of breaking a chair.

Several of our club members took up Tom and Jan's invitation to visit Toms Toy Box. The club wishes to thank Tom and Jan for their hospitality on the day, the club for the sausage sizzle dinner and Alf for a visit to his place and afternoon tea.

The Atherton Trip continued
As we left Atherton Sunday morning to take the cars over to

Engines lined up at Plantation creek

Ravenshoe the sun came out and it looked like being a good day, but by the time we reached Ravenshoe it was overcast with rain about. Ian And I put our cars on the line and headed for Tomoulin while the others were checking out the markets and getting their cars ready.

My car went perfectly, after playing up the previous day, we were almost to Tomoulin when we had to stop for a fence so we decided to run back to Ravenshoe travelling backwards. Even though the M15 doesn't have a good air flow over the radiator in reverse, the car ran well and did not get hot. With the fence sorted we left again with Malcolm and John in the lead then myself then Ian and his family.

We pulled up at Tomoulin and while Ian waited for the others Malcolm John and myself headed off to clear the way as the line is not used after Tomoulin. Malcolm's car is the big ST2 and had no trouble travelling through the long grass, mine being small had trouble in the long grass and eventually got bogged in the grass.

At times I could just see Malcolm up ahead,
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well not Malcolm but John as he was standing up at the front looking for the line. The photo last month showed Malcolm clearing some trees growing through the line.

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