Good day fellow members, we have had a couple of good displays last month. One at the Burdekin Agriculture College and the other at the Thuringowa River festival.

Please take note the next meeting will be held at Kerry Gaven’s place at 8 moody rd Hervey Range. They tell me it is easy to find, just take the second road to the right at the top of Hervey Range. After the meeting we will be having a sausage sizzle and the meeting should start around 3 pm.

Ray Blain writes a story on the FNQ field day on page 3. Merve has also written an article on the Field Day, but I have run out of room so will insert it in the next newsletter.

Ian Mathews has started a Southern Cross Register and if you are interested in registering your engine check out his add on the back page.

**The Burdekin Agriculture College**

I always like the visit to the Ag college, the surroundings are pleasant and they look after us pretty well.

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Ian and Gwenda, Rod, Kylie and son Dan Allison, Russell and
myself made the trip. Alf and Michael came from the Burdekin
club.

Among the engines displayed, Ian had his model Ford, Rod
his Lister, Russell his Fairmont, I had my trusty Farm Pumper,
Alf was grinding corn and Michael had his Falcon.

This year Rod’s engine made it’s debut, it looked good and
started easy. This was a family restoration with the sign writing
on the water tank done by wife Kylie.

Five year old son Dan got on in the act by making a sign for the
winning display. He was pretty serious about it so it has become
known as the Dan Allison award. I won it the next day at the
River Festival, but am only allowed to keep it until the next dis-
play.

There is plenty to see at the Ag College and they run tour busses
around the college, this year I took a tour to see them cutting
cane, it was a bit of an eye opener. They also run tours to see the
abattoir, horses, cattle and cultivation. Unfortunately they don’t
get a big crowd, but it is well worth a visit.

Keith.
Set among the gum trees at the FNQ Field Days at Walkamin were over forty stationary engines that entertained an endless line of admirers over a two day period.

Of these forty engines it was interesting to note that no two engines were alike which I guess has to be attributed to the communication between members to ensure that the display was as interesting as it could possibly be.

Each member displayed no lesser than two engines with some having five or six with the majority of engines driving various pieces of equipment such as water pumps, corn shellers and grinders.

Noel Akers had the fence dwellers interest each time he ran his radial air compressor which intern supplied air to drive a number of very cleverly engineered miniature engines. Noel has various other miniature pieces which would be of interest to any person wishing to enter this field.

Tony Little displayed his almost complete (just a paint job) Rider Hot Air Engine together with rain water tank and water trough. This engine created enormous interest with people returning a number of times to listen to Tony explain the principal behind the workings of this engine.

With the engines water pump drawing water from a trough made in the traditional manor via a hollow log with the ends blocked and then pumping the water to a tank sitting on a stand of bush timber the younger generation were able to see first hand how things were done in days gone by.

Tony Riordan once again provided freshly cracked corn for anybody with chooks as well as supplying Tony L. with cobs to fire his engine. (saved Larna chopping wood)

This display of Tony’s is always a pleaser given that the Atherton Tablelands is a major producer of corn and many people both male and female have in the past used this type of equipment.

Many thanks to Joe Tomerini who is always willing to supply corn to members for display purposes.

The Field Day saw new members Les McPherson and Paul Dalzilio display engines for the first time. The restoration and detail of engines displayed by Les and Paul was of a very high standard and I am sure we will enjoy their company at future outings.

Hank, Toby and John Taylor as always provided a number of engines and contributed where they could to ensure the success of the day.

It was pleasing to see the club president Merve Carey in attendance from Townsville and was captured on film doing what he does best, sitting down talking.

Thank you to other members from Cairns and Innisfail (John and Peter) for their effort, companionship and communication.

Having visited and displayed engines at a number of locations I must say with out being bias that the FNQ Field Day would have to go on record as being one of the best displays of stationary engines I have seen outside of a national rally. This is supported by feedback from the Field Day Committee, Retailers whose sites were close to our display and the well worn path along the safety fence.
Talking of the fence this year instead of using the traditional plastic safety netting sheep fence wire was erected. This gave the spectators greater visibility and a feeling that they were much closer to the displays. This wire was able to be tensioned making it stand upright longer and thus proving an improved level of safety.

As this field day will no longer be held at Lotus Glen a new venue and date is expected to be announced in the near future. This information will be passed on for members to note.

In closing thank you to all members and associates for contributing to the success of this outing.

Ray B

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