Good day fellow members, first I have to apologize for the mess up with the dates of our last meeting. It was supposed to be at Kerry's place on Saturday the 1st of October but I bought it forward a week and even got the day wrong. I hope nobody missed out because of this, as it turned out to be a good afternoon.

The next meeting will be held at Brian Pump’s place at No 60 Coates street Mt Louisa on the 28th of October.
WANTED
Sell—Buy—Swap—Info

Wanted
Your stories
Contact Keith Hendrick on
47888551 or mail to
23 Flagstone Av Rangewood
Thuringowa 4817

For Sale
Large quantity of 4” x
2” timber suitable for engine
chassis.
$25

3HP air cooled Southern Cross
engine.
$300

Complete Howard Junior Rotary
Hoe with another Howard Junior
less the engine. Both for.
$250.

Contact George Nutt of
23 Gregory st Condon.
Ph 47731160

Wanted
Parts for 3hp Lister
A.
Crank Handle to suit 6hp Buz-
zacott. Or one to copy.
Contact Paul Dalzilio on
40685358

Small number of YB/YC South-
ern Cross engine parts for sale
Trevor Larkin, 4 Opal St, Mt
Isa, 4825

Wanted
2 valves 5/16” stems
1” head also a 3 1/4” piston.
Contact Keith Hendrick on
47888551

North Queensland Machinery Preservationists

Club member Andy Nicholson his wife Maree and daughter
Alex are finally leaving the west to take up a posting closer to
home at Weipa. Andy has spent the last 4 years at a RAAF base
at Exmouth in north west of Western Australia. They should be
in Townsville around the 7th of November and are staying a
week. This should give us a chance to see them again.

While Andy and family are in town we decided to hold our
Christmas dinner a little earlier so that they can meet up with
some of our newer members. The dinner is to be held at the
Satay Mass on Charters Towers Road, this is where we had it
last year and found it quite enjoyable. Members going to the
dinner should let us know so that bookings can be made.

We have one more event on our books so far, N Q Wheels at
Rollingstone on Saturday the 29th October, commencing at
12MD and finishes at 4 pm. It will be the day after our next
meeting.

At the end of August we put on a display at the Thuringowa
River Festival, up at Ross River dam. Rod took a folding tent
and we put it up out side the compound, it worked a treat I was
able to take the grand kids and they could sit under the tent and
still be close to the action.

Ian and Gwenda took their Fielding and model Ford, Ian and
Desley with Natasha bought a selection of chain saws, Rod and
Kylie with son Dan bought along their newly restored Lister and
I bought along my immaculate farm pumper in natural colours.
And I might add it won the Dan Allison award.

The club welcomes another new member, Rod Allison’s broth-
er Geoff.
A Larger Split Pulley for an M15
By Keith Hendrick

The last time I went to the Tablelands with my new section car I found it to be under powered up the range. Alright while the rev’s were kept up but as soon as they dropped a bit that was the end of it.

Tom recons he had the same trouble and fixed it by fitting a larger pulley on the back axle. Trouble is we need a split pulley as it would be a big job to fit a convential pulley. After asking around Ian Williams came up with an old split pulley around 10mm larger. This pulley had about a 3 inch center and I needed around an 1 1/4” center, so I decided to fill the center with aluminium and bore it out.

First I cut a piece of metal to separate the two halves, then I packed clay around the center. Once this was done it was out to Woodstock one week end, where Malcolm has a forge. I took a busted Fairmont hopper for the aluminium, but wasn’t I surprised when I tried to break it up, we had to use a sledge hammer. Once we had the pieces in the pot it took a long while to melt. With the metal melted Malcolm started to pour it into the pulley, just as he had completed the pour, the clay let go and the aluminium ran through to the under side of the pulley. I had a solid aluminium pulley on one side. When it had cooled down a little we packed the pulley solid with clay and started again. This time we were successful. After I split the pulley, which took some doing as the other side was pretty full with clay and aluminium, the pulley was shimmmed apart and its own clamps installed. The pulley was then mounted in the 4 jaw chuck and centered as best I could. It did not take long to bore it out, it was not nice metal to turn, must have some alloy with it. The next job, I have to cut a key way, so I am going to grind up a tool for my boring bar and see if I can cut the key way by winding the saddle back and forward. That may be another story.

Keith.
Malcolm makes a Pulley

Malcolm needed to change the speed of his Lathe so instead of buying a pulley he decided to make one.

While he had the forge out from doing my pulley he poured a large block of aluminium, using up the left overs of the fairmont hopper and other scrap that he had.

He certainly surprised me he had the pulley turned up and fitted in no time, he is usually like me and procrastinates to much. Anyway it did the job and he is pretty happy with it.

Keith

My Trip To Walkamin
By Merve Carey

As I loaded my ute with 2 engines and gear, I looked north and saw dark clouds, but I still decided to display at the Walkamin Field Days.

As I left the city and travelled north, the countryside quickly changed, by the time I reached the Palmerston highway the country was lush and green. After travelling for around 4 1/2 hrs I reached the Field Day site. Quite a large number of engines were out ready to start.

Friday morning dawned fine and clear and everybody anticipated a good day. After unloading my engines and settling down, I prepared to start them. I was not sure how they would go as this was the first time I had used unleaded petrol as against LRP. But with a bit of cursing (under my breath) my two engines were soon up and running sweetly and did so all day.

This gave me time to take a look at the other engines both large and small. The display was a credit to our northern club members who were only too willing to pass on help and information. The whole display site was packed with machinery, information and goods and services of all types.

The weather was good all day except for 2 light showers. As I had to get back to Townsville for a function on Saturday night, I could only stay one day.

Once again I would like to thank northern club members for their hospitality.

Merve