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NEXT MEETING Saturday 1st March, at The Tea Room on Hervey Range

Ian Williams checking out an old Hart Parr tractor
At a museum at Blackall
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Coming Events

Next Meeting at the Hervey Range Tea Rooms on Saturday afternoon the 1st of March at 2pm.

Heritage Day at West End Park. On Sunday the 18th May

QLD Heritage Rally. at Ayr NQ on 25-27 July 2014

WANTED
Sell—Buy—Swap—Info
Wanted Your stories

Hi all, as you can see we will be having our next meeting at 2pm up at the Tea Rooms up on Hervey’s Range.

We won’t be having the usual sausage sizzle but we can purchase refreshments at the Tea Room. Partners will welcome.

We have been asked by the Tea Room to display our machinery up there in August to celebrate 40 years since the opening of the Greenvale line. As Brian Pump won’t be home for the next meeting, it was decided to have it up at the Tea Room and check it out.

It’s a pity that the line has been pulled up almost 20 years ago, shows tremendous forethought on the part of politicians and the railway. Now we have many trucks transporting the ore from the area down through Charters Towers and Hervey Range.

As I have finished my restoration story, I am struggling to do this newsletter. So why don’t you take pity on me and send some stories.

We are making progress with the organising of the QHR rally. Our club has put the hand up to look after the compounds, that is, drive pickets for at least three compounds, make the gates and service the compounds, rubbish and water drums during the Rally.

I am doing a large spread sheet collecting the Registration data and eventually making a book for exhibitors, at the moment we have 28 registrations, what I am afraid of is I will get a flood of forms just before the Rally starts. So help out by getting your registration forms in early. The forms can be sourced from the QHR web site.

There are numerous jobs to be done so we will need help from everyone.

One of the jobs we need to do is to prepare the 2 club tractors for exhibition and enter them the grand parade. The Hart Parr and the Case are presently stored at the Burdekin.

We will have to organise a working B and travel down to Brandon to do it.

As the tractor came from the Winton district, nine years ago the Winton Heritage Truck & Machinery museum showed interest in obtaining the tractor for display.

Contact has been made with Dr Ian Reddie son of the original owner Charles Reddie. Correspondence with Dr Reddie is ongoing.

Keith.

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I came across this Royal Enfield motorcycle at national rally held in the Western Australian town of Pinjarra in 2011.

The Royal Enfield, originally a British bike, has been manufactured in India for many years. What is different with this one is, some has gone to a lot of trouble to fit a diesel engine. You can see a starter mounted in the front of the engine.
This well restored Armstrong Siddley belonging to Ian Williams was on show at the 2009 interclub rally held at Brandon.