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NEXT MEETING Friday, January 26th at Tony Binders place.
Hi all, we reached the end of the year pretty quickly, and this year is already 14 days old as I write this.

We had a hugely successful end of year break up at Vikky and Tony's place. The food was great and plenty of it. I think the kids even had more fun than we did, I bet Annie was asleep before they reached the end of the street.

I apologise for missing the last two newsletters, it’s a little hard when you don’t send me any articles. Anyway I had already started November’s Newsletter so I have just changed the date to January.

The last display was the Harvest Festival with Brandon the next day. John and I stayed down for the next day and Merve and Ian M came down for it. After a misunderstanding Ian returned home, it should be noted that there is a fair bit of effort and expense that goes into going to a display.

It is with great regret I have to tell you, Russell’s wife Dee passed away. Those of us who knew her, know what a great person she was and we will miss her. Russell and Dee moved to Gympie when Russell retired and now he has sold up and is moving back to Townsville.

The Club welcomes two new members who joined last year. Dave Tindale of Cranbrook and Steve Reeves of Ingham.

Unfortunately the army has transferred Jeff Ryan and he and his wife Sonya and their three children have left to take up his post in Albury NSW. Jeff is going to remain a member of our club and I hope we will see them again in the future.

There has been some movement at the shed and the studs for the internal wall (club room) have been erected. The fans and lights have been put up but I have been dragging the chain a bit, still have power points, switch board and mains to do. I’ll bring you up to date next newsletter.

Keith.

Front Cover. Merve Carey and John McTernan sitting behind John’s wagon models at Brandon.
A couple of the engines on display at the Home Hill Harvest Festival.

Right. Tony Little’s unusual engine, a Norman T300 Mk1. Circa 1940. 3HP.
Tony has fitted battery ignition to the engine.

Below. Another odd looking engine, belonging to Ken and Carmen Mumford of Mackay.

An Express engine built by Duck Brothers Brisbane Circa 1910.
Another beautifully restored engine
1909 Hornsby 3hp.
Drove a Chaffcutter on the Norris family farm at Ayr