

National Rally at Mudgee 2013

We stayed at Riverside Caravan Park about 3k from the Rally site. Arrived Wednesday and set up camp and took our engine out to set-up next to Les Fry (who managed to get first entry in the program and we got 3rd entry!) Thursday we took a break and just sat around. The weather was great, hinting at times it might change but to our relief a bit of a breeze on Saturday only. The Australian Rural Education Centre grounds set-up was perfect for this type of event and well organised. The food was in the middle with roads and power to each enclosure. Two enormous sheds, one had displays for the ladies of sewing machines, patchwork, needle work etc. with an area for the young ones where they could make damper. The larger of the sheds was set up with displays and stores one end and the other was for the Saturday night meal. The meal was excellent. Hot! With a choice of two main courses and sweets. Well organised over 700 people and we all had a main in hour. They had a band and a poet and at the end they drove a tractor, truck, car and steam traction engine down in between the tables. The Rally had heaps of engine, tractors small displays steam traction engines, trucks small model etc. so many things to see and people to chat too. Some of our club members we saw were Les Fry and Yas Hawkins, Trevor Clerke, John Buttfeld and Brian and Jean Bart.

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