

UMGENIE STEAM TRAIN

Kloof - Inchanga

Sunday 25th June



Firstly, as I was unable to attend this outing, many thanks to my “eyes and ears” on the ‘track’ for forwarding me the details of the morning.

What started off as a cloudless and cold start from Kloof, turned into a wonderful, cloudless and warm morning. The Members and families who attended thoroughly enjoyed their hour on this (when the journey started!) clean steam train carriage, and were enthralled to see our familiar environment from a different angle. The scenery was truly lovely, especially going through the Valley of a Thousand Hills which one only normally views from a car, but to go by steam train opened up a whole new appreciation of this magnificent vista.

On arrival at Inchanga, a warm welcome awaited the intrepid travellers and Rolf, Doreen, Fritz and Ruth were waiting for them along with Champagne, coffee and cakes!

During the time spent at Inchanga Station the children (and adults) in the party took great interest in the large steam engine – not something one sees close-up in our every-day life.

Refreshments enjoyed, it was ‘all aboard’ and time to head back through the wonderful scenery and to experience once again the joys of steam train travel.

This was voted a wonderful family experience and perhaps if this outing is booked again in the future, more Members will participate.

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