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SteamFest Tasmania Cancelled for 2022

At a recent meeting of the SteamFest organizing committee the current COVID-19 situation was discussed at length. The committee arrived at the very difficult conclusion to cancel SteamFest for this year to not add to the spread of the pandemic and to protect the many members and volunteers who run the event from potential exposure. Additionally, the risk of having key members of the organizing or exhibitor team needing to isolate due to the spread of the disease could compromise the event.

This year's event was to feature the largest collection of Steam Rollers ever seen in Tasmania and a significant first – the running of Wee Georgie Wood outside of Tullah for the first time in its long and prestigious life. Wee Georgie – the little Fowler Steam Locomotive served the Tullah Community for many years as its only mechanized access and in later years operates on the first and last weekends of the month as a tourist attraction. The committee looks forward to presenting an even larger event next year with these special attractions, when more certainty returns to the community.

The committee is planning a smaller “get together” of steam people and engines once the COVID-19 situation is under control and this will be open to the public.

We thank all those volunteers, exhibitors, stall holders and sponsors who have made the event possible over the last 28 years of running the event on the March Long Weekend.

For more information on SteamFest see our website – steamfesttasmania.org.au



