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AROUND THE GROUNDS

History Week

What a wonderful day we had! The weather was very kind and we had sixty-five visitors – probably the best we have had at a function like this for a long time. We were fortunate to have had some good publicity, media such as *Express-Advocate*, *CC Seniors Paper*, *ABC Radio*, *Radio 50 Plus*, Notice Boards, Letter box drops, and good old Word of Mouth!

Guest Speaker Madeline Sweeney gave a very interesting Power Point presentation, introduced by President Edith Campbell, with little talks by Curator Kreenah Yelds, and Display Presenter Tracey Dillon. The Display involved a lot of hard work by Tracey (how did she erect and dress all those mannequins?), Kreenah and many other members - a truly lovely display.

There were many other people involved too. Jay Sider was an absolute treasure in the necessary computer work, Ingrid and her helpers were magnificent in the supply and preparation of Lunch (Members supplied some amazing food) and Brian James did his usual incredible job of organising all the seating. Our Grounds looked lovely with grass mowed, gardens weeded and tidied – good work Frank Courts, David Bedwell, John Rousch and even Gosford City Council!

AN ENORMOUS THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE MEMBERS INVOLVED.

The Display included some lovely Wedding gowns, from the oldest in 1861, 1890, the early 20th Century, through to the '20s, '30s, '40s, '50s, '60s, '70s, and '80s. Sandy Hunt-Sharman lent the lovely wedding dress that was worn in 1946 by her mother (Beryl Kirkness). There was even a Royal Marines uniform as Sandy's father would have worn. Sandy also lent some beautiful photos of her mother and father on their wedding day.



The Wedding Attire of Beryl & Bennett Kirkness

Many other members such as Beryl Beecham, Edith Campbell, Shirley Rider, and Ros Ellis also lent some enchanting family wedding photos. Some of these can be seen in the rotating Digital photo frame and flip-over manual display.

The Exhibition will be up for a little while yet so if you weren't able to get to the Open Day, there is still time to view it – just come in and have another look!

AROUND THE GROUNDS

Welfare

It's nice to see Margaret Pearce active again and Bob Rider just about recovered.

Donations

- Digital Photo Frame

You may have noticed this operating in the Museum now – particularly at our Special Open Day. Big thanks to Trish Scott for this kind donation.

- Flymo Mower

Frank Courts kindly donated this Flymo. This has been put into service and comes in very handy. Big thanks to Frank

Rotary Breakfast

Edith Campbell had a very pleasant morning recently at the Kariang Rotary Club Breakfast Meeting. Following contact at the Kariang Neighbourhood Day in February, the Club rang to ask if someone could come and give a short talk at their meeting. Edith gave a short history of the Cottage and also spoke briefly about our current activities. It is good to have contact with other Community organisations.

Roof Repairs

Bob obtained two quotes for these repairs and the work was carried out very well by Robert Walton. It involved removing and replacing skylights in the Workroom/Storeroom 2 building where there had a bad leak.

Item Donations

A gift has been received of a Draught Horse collar and associated bits and pieces from a property at Somersby we believe. Kreenah (our Curator) will be inspecting these soon to assess their suitability for our Collection. Also received is another gift of books for the Street Stall.

AROUND THE GROUNDS

Museum Duty

Would Duty Members check with Margaret Pearce to confirm when they are on duty. Upcoming tours are published in the Newsletter but this is issued usually on the first Wednesday of the month and Coach Tour Bookings can still come in or be altered after that date.

Please make sure that, if you suddenly find that you can't do your museum duty, you contact Margaret to advise of this. It only takes a phone call!

Coach Bookings

Bookings are really improving. We had three on Wednesday, September 19th, including another little 'surprise' visit but we coped very well. Bookings **SO FAR** are :

DATE	DAY	TIME	PLACE	ATTENDING
3 Oct.	Wed.	10.30	Life without Barriers	10 visitors & carers - URN
8 Oct.	Mon.	10.00	McMasters Beach Garden Club by car pool - GUIDE & URN	45 visitors
9 Oct.	Tues.	2.15	Green's North. Coaches	40 seniors
13 Oct.	Tues.	9.30	Willoughby Symphony Choir	TBA
17 Oct.	Wed.	11.45	Cardwell Coaches	30 visitors
31 Oct.	Wed.	10.30	Life without Barriers	12 visitors & carers
2 Nov.	Fri.	2.00	Terranova Tours	40 visitors
7 Nov.	Wed.	11.30	Chesalon	20 visitors
19 Nov.	Mon.	9.15	Rhapsody of the Sea	tba
23 Nov.	Fri.	10.15	Celebrity Millennium	tba
8 Dec.	Sat.	9.15	Rhapsody of the Sea	tba
23 Dec.	Sun.	10.00	Treetops Resort	30 visitors
29 Dec.	Sat.	2.45	Radiance of the Sun	tba

COMING EVENTS***Program 2012***

October	26	<i>Street Stall – Stall No. 2 William St Plaza</i>
November	18	<i>Bush Poets BYO Picnic</i>
	20	<i>Spring Gathering – Guest Speaker – Andrew Tink, Historian</i>
December	10	<i>Christmas/Birthday Gathering- HK Grounds More details later</i>

STREET STALL !!!!!

When? Friday, October 26 - Stall No. 2 William Street Plaza

Articles to be sold at our Street Stall are still welcome. Please drop unwanted Books, Plants, CDs, DVDs, bric-a-brac off at our Museum. We want good quality, clean items – keep de-cluttering!!

Rotary Club Raffle

BWHS are participating in this big Raffle again this year. Prizes are great –

1st prize is an Open Order for \$3 000 from Flight Centre, Bateau Bay

2nd prize - B & B for 2 at Key West Resort, Magenta Shores

3rd prize - 2 days for 2 people at Allamanda Retreat, The Entrance

4th prize - a small appliance

– tickets are \$2 each – 25 in a book, they will be sold at the Museum and also at the Street Stall. We are able to keep the money we raise so it's a good fund-raiser for HK Cottage. Please contact Edith for tickets.

Bush Poets

Gosford Bush Poets are holding a BYO Picnic Day in our Grounds on Sunday, November 18th. Everyone welcome – this should be a fun day, just to listen or present some bush poetry yourself. Usual admission charges.

COMING EVENTS (cont'd)***Guest Speakers***

Our Guest Speaker for the ***Spring Gathering*** on November 20th is Historian Andrew Tink, and Guest Speaker for the ***Summer Gathering*** in January, is Author Lois Sabine.

Birthday/Christmas Function

This will be held on Monday, December 10th in our Grounds. We were very happy with the caterers we had last time so have booked them again this year. **Cost will be \$30 per head.**

MENU***COST \$30 per head***

<i>Entree</i>	Seafood Mornay	
	Prawn Cocktail	
<i>Main Meal</i>	Hot Meal	Cold Meal
	Roast Beef	Leg Ham
	Vegetable Bake	
	Chat Potatoes with Sour Cream	
<i>Salads</i>	Cole Slaw	Egg Salad
	Seafood Salad	Greek Salad
	Chili Noodles	Garden Salad*
	* Lettuce / Tomato / Beetroot / Corn	
	Fresh Season Fruit	
<i>Sweets</i>	Hot Sticky Date Pudding – Caramel Sauce & Ice Cream	
	Strawberry Cheesecake	
	Pavlova & Fruit Salad & Cream	
<i>Tea</i>	<i>- Coffee</i>	<i>- Cakes</i>
	<i>- Slices</i>	<i>- Birthday Cake</i>

Entertainment details will be advised soon. It all sounds very nice so put it in your Diary straight away!

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Brisbane Water Historical Society Inc. owns and maintains Henry Kendall Cottage and Historical Museum at 25-27 Henry Kendall Street, West Gosford, which is open for inspection every Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday from 10.00 am to 3.00 pm.

COACH / GROUP VISITS are always welcome, any time day or night, out of hours BY APPOINTMENT, Phone (02) 4325 2270

The Society's Meetings are held in the Henry Kendall Cottage and Museum Complex, West Gosford.

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME!!!!

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