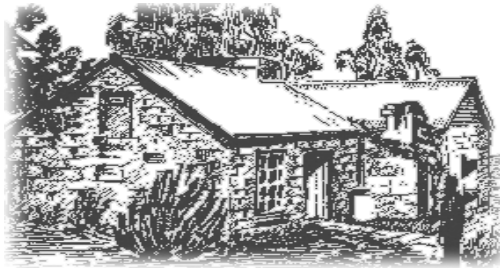


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OUR WONDERFUL QUARTO SEPTCENTENNIAL!

What a wonderful day we had! The weather could not have been kinder (especially seeing what it's been like since!). How blessed we were!

Our excellent publicity certainly was very effective. Loads of visitors (over 1000 estimated!) came and stayed, to listen to our interesting speakers, view all the varied stalls and enjoy the music.

Gosford Town Crier, Stephan Clarke started things rolling with his stentorian announcements. By this time many visitors had started to arrive. Master of Ceremonies, Chris King, then looked after Proceedings, and President Edith gave an Acknowledgement to Country.

Senator Deborah O'Neill officially opened our event with a great speech, demonstrating her love of our local history; Bob Ward, Deputy Mayor, filled in well for Patron, Mayor Lawrie McKinna; and we were delighted to greet our other Patron, Charles Gosford, Earl of Gosford, a charming man, who stayed all day, enjoying our speakers and music.

Our Meet and Greet stall was beautifully set up and operated and the mini street stall was very successful. Tracey Dixon created lots of attention with her spinning wheel and Jay Sider had a fascinating display with the copy of the 9 mm film he unearthed in our museum. It was run a few times throughout the day and created quite a bit of interest.

Stall-holders of the big variety of stalls included National Parks & Wildlife, Central Coast Machinery Club, Australian Lace Guild, Wood-Turners' Co-op, Old Sydney Town, Wyong Historical Society, Central Coast Family History, Central Coast Art Society, Central Coast Poets, and Dharug & Lower Hawkesbury Historical Society.

For the children we had The Fun Engine (Vintage Fire Engine), the very cute young animals from Party Pets Farmyard animals, the fascinating snakes from Reptiles Rule, drawing with the Art Society, and many young faces were 'face-painted' by Smiley Face Painting.

Visitors also toured the cottage and museum, some of them viewing the complex for the first time with many vowing they would be back. There are some very nice comments in our Visitors' Book.

A sausage sizzle was run by Wires, crepes by Master Gozleme, and there was an ice-cream van and a Coffee Cart; all well patronized.

Interesting and entertaining historical speakers were Tracey Howie, from the Guringal Tribal Land Corporation. Tracey is a descendant of the legendary Bungaree and informed us of the Aboriginal Heritage of the Brisbane Water area; Professor Waterhouse, of The History Council of NSW, spoke on Henry Kendall; Gwen Dundon, Local Historian, told us about the Fagan Family; and Geoff Potter, Local Studies Librarian, covered Garnet Adcock.

Lovely music was performed by the Central Coast Conservatorium youth group, and later on, the bright fun music provided by The Wheeze & Suck Band was really enjoyed by our visitors. Poetry was read by Central Coast Poets and Bush Poetry by Peter Mace, of Gosford Bush Poets.

NBN televised our cottage and interviewed some of our members, and we were very pleased to see it featured on their 6.00 News.

The Power House Museum very kindly loaned to our Society, just for our special day, one of their very valuable items, the ***Cantata*** written expressly for the opening of the Sydney International Exhibition in 1879. This was composed by Paola Giorza and the lovely words were written by ***Henry Kendall***. We were so fortunate in obtaining this short loan, arranged by our Curator, Kreenah Yelds. The ***Cantata*** is so precious that it travels in its own special cabinet, accompanied by Powerhouse employee, Katrina Hogan, who lives on the Central Coast. It cannot be touched but copies of extracts were displayed in a glass cabinet alongside and are still there.

The Recipe Book was officially launched during the day and proved to be very popular with more than 100 copies sold. It's an attractive item and contains some great recipes. Those members who worked on it are to be congratulated!

Our Raffle was well received with many tickets sold. It was drawn in the afternoon and most of the prize winners were still there to receive their prizes.

Our Special Day was a tremendous effort by many dedicated people. The Grounds looked beautiful, lots of work and effort went into the displays, the stalls went up and came down at the end of the day very efficiently and everything ran really well. It was a real team effort by all our members and we should congratulate each other on a great performance.



The Wheeze & Suck Band and two Admirers



Crowds are starting to arrive



Our Patron The Earl of Gosford and Councillor Jeff Strickson

PROGRAM 2014 : please check the Newsletter for updates!

MAY - Tue.	20 1.00	Autumn Gathering – Speaker: Kevin Royce Baker, “Patonga Area – WWII”
JUNE - Fri.	27	Outing: Carisbrook House, Lane Cove Coach - Leaving HK Cottage at 8.30
JULY - Tue.	15	Winter Gathering – Speaker: Brian Madden 75th Commemoration of WWII ; “Herne Bay : Sydney’s Wartime Hospitals at Riverwood”
AUGUST - Fri.	29	Outing: Cockatoo Island (more details later)
SEPT. Sat.-Sun.	6-14	History Week – Theme: The Great War
OCTOBER		Street Stall
	tba	Outing: tba
NOV.- Tue.	18 1.00	Spring Gathering
DECEMBER		Christmas Party

Annual General Meeting

Our AGM was held on Tuesday, 18th March, 2014 and we thank Councillor, Bob Ward, Deputy Mayor of Gosford City Council, for acting as our Scrutineer. All Committee positions were declared vacant and the newly elected Committee is as follows:

President	Edith Campbell
Snr. Vice President	Margaret Pearce
Vice President (2)	Shirley Rider
	Trish Scott
Secretary	Margareta Tauni
Treasurer	George Boettiger
Committee (3)	Bev Blockey
	Gwen Dundon
	Brian McCafferty

Appointments

Charles Gosford, Earl of Gosford, and Counsellor Lawrie McKinna, Mayor of Gosford City Council, continue as our Patrons. Mr. W. Rutledge will continue as our Honorary Solicitor, and Mr. A. C. Westbury will continue as Auditor.

The following members have agreed to continue in their appointed roles:

Publicity Officer	Margaret Pearce
Newsletter Editor	Shirley Rider

and Brian McCafferty has been appointed as Public Officer.

Vale

Sadly we have to report the passing of Mrs. Rutledge, wife of our honorary Solicitor, Bill Rutledge. Our sympathy goes to Bill and his family on this sad occasion. The Society has sent an appropriate card.

We also report the passing on 18 March of Colette Tabuteau, widow of Philippe Tabuteau, historian and founder of the Gosford District Local History Study Group. Philippe died in 2006.

Our sympathy also goes to Colette's family. Unfortunately we don't have enough room in this issue but our May *Cooranbean Courier* will contain an article about the interesting life of Colette Tabuteau.

Group Bookings

DATE	DAY TIME	PLACE	ATTENDING
Apr. 15	Tue. 11.00	Lane Cove & N/S C/Ser	30-35 visitors
Apr. 30	Wed. 12.30	St. Mary's Uniting Church	20 visitors
May 6	Tue. 2.30	Holiday Coast Tours	40 visitors
May 21	Wed. 10.30	Bevington Shores	22 visitors URN
May 26	Mon. 12.00	Terranova Tours	40 visitors
Jun 19	Thur. 1.30	Tugg.Lks Nat.Serv.Ass.	10 visitors
July 9	Wed. 12.00	Terranova Tours	40 visitors
July 14	Mon. 10.30	Bateau Bay Garden Club	tba – URN
July 21	Mon. 12.00	Terranova Tours	40 visitors
Aug. 6	Wed. 2.00	Stuart Coaches	20-30 visitors
Aug. 19	Tue. 10.30	Bronte Probus	20-30 visitors
Aug. 20	Wed. 10.30	Blue Mountains Bus Co	30-40 visitors

Roster

If you wish to go on the Duty Roster please let Margaret know (4384 3271). You would be with experienced members for your first few duty days and then always with one or two others. Members find it interesting and a nice little social occasion.

Museum Duty

Would Duty Members please confirm with Margaret Pearce, our Duty Roster Officer, when they are on duty. Upcoming Tours are published in the Newsletter but this is issued monthly, usually on the first Wednesday of the month. Group Bookings can still come in or be altered after that date. A list of Bookings is in our Front Office and is progressively updated. Please make sure that if you suddenly find that you can't do your museum duty you contact Margaret (or Shirley or Bob Rider if Margaret is unavailable) to advise of this. It only takes a phone call! If a Duty Member just doesn't arrive it means having to try to contact that member and/or then having to organize another member to fill in.

Carisbrook House

We have a great trip coming up to Carisbrook House at Lane Cove. Morning Tea and Lunch at Gladesville 'Sporties', and an afternoon trip to Canada Bay Museum are included. Cost is \$66 each – payment to Margaret Pearce please. Coach leaves HK Cottage at 8.30 sharp.

Coming Events :

- 3-4 May Alison Homestead Colonial Day
- 10 May Dangar Island – celebration of 125 years since opening of Hawkesbury River Railway Bridge. (details on their website)
- 10 May Terrigal UCA Antique Show

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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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