

COORANBEAN COURIER



RED COW INN COORANBEAN
HENRY KENDALL COTTAGE
WEST GOSFORD CIRCA 1836

NEWSLETTER OF THE BRISBANE WATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Vol. 39 Postal Address: 25- 27 Henry Kendall St., West Gosford, February
No. 2 Phone: (02) 4325 2270, (02) 4325 2689 - Fax (02) 4322 2587 2015
Internet: www.henrykendallcottage.org.au email: info@henrykendallcottage.org.au

BRISBANE WATER HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

Founded 1950

Henry Kendall Cottage and Historical Museum

Affiliated with Royal Australian Historical Society -
Museums Australia - Museum & Galleries of NSW – National Trust

Disability Access : Free Parking

What's in this Newsletter

Around the Grounds

- Welfare : New Member : AGM : Australia Day p2
- Australia Day : Bunning's BBQ : Subscriptions p3
- Summer Gathering p4
- Footprints p5
- Program 2015 p6,7
- Program 2015 : BWHS Calendars : Group Bookings :
Roster : Museum Duty p7
- Committee p8

Supported by



Welfare

Best wishes to anyone not feeling well. Hope you're better soon. It's good to hear that Sylvia Marshall and John Rousch are improving.

Welcome to New Member Jim Wilson. Hope you enjoy your time with us Jim.

Annual General Meeting

Our AGM will be on Saturday, 21st March at 1.00 and all positions will be declared vacant. Only financial members will be able to nominate anyone for positions on the Committee or to vote at the AGM, or to accept a position on the Committee.

Nomination and Proxy forms are included with this Newsletter and are available from the Office also. If you wish to nominate for any position yourself, or you want to nominate any other members for any of the positions, just ask any of the members on duty for more forms if required. Give completed forms to Secretary Margareta Tauni or put them in her folder in the Archives Room. Completed Nomination forms can also be sent by email or snail mail.

Nominations are due 7 days before the AGM – Saturday, March 14th.

Australia day

Well, after a few very hot and humid days Australia Day was much cooler with some misty showers throughout the day. We hope it was an enjoyable day for everyone. It's great to see the interest and participation now in Australia Day activities. It commemorates the anniversary of the First Fleet of 11 convict ships from Great Britain and the raising of the British flag at Sydney Cove by Captain Arthur Phillip in 1788. It's a day for local communities and families to celebrate. Governor Macquarie made it a public holiday in 1818. It was called Australia Day in 1935 but only declared a public holiday by all states and territories in 1994.

Gosford Blue Waters Probus had an Australia Day BBQ Picnic in our Grounds and because of the misty, showery weather enjoyed their picnic on our verandah. Their sausage sizzle was the first one (apart from our trial runs) using our new BBQ which performed very well. (see photo).

Australia Day (contd)

Some great music was provided by new member *Jim Wilson* from his fabulous collection of music from the 1940s on. I wore two hats this day, my H/S one, and my Probus one (I'm a member of G. Blue Waters Probus also).

Thanks to David Benwell for mowing the grass – the Grounds looked great. Thanks also to Neville Scott and Jim Wilson for their excellent assistance to Tricia Scott in setting up. (I had a bit of 'a finger in the pie' also). Thanks to Neville also for raising the Australian Flag. Despite the misty conditions it was a successful and enjoyable day.

Launching our new BBQ



Bunning's BBQ

Talking about BBQs, we're happy to report that the recent Bunning's one on December 26 gave us a profit of \$1255.80 – a wonderful effort. Thanks heaps to David and Kate for their cooking and the other terrific members who assisted on the day.

Subscriptions

Unfortunately we have had to increase our fees. It's been many years since this has happened but we find it necessary now. Services such as Water, Electricity & Telephone have gone up and repairs to HK Cottage and Grounds are an ongoing expense. Fees from 2015 will be \$20 p.a. for singles, and \$30 p.a. for couples at the same address. Children's fees of \$7 p.a. remain the same. ***2015 Subscriptions are due now.***

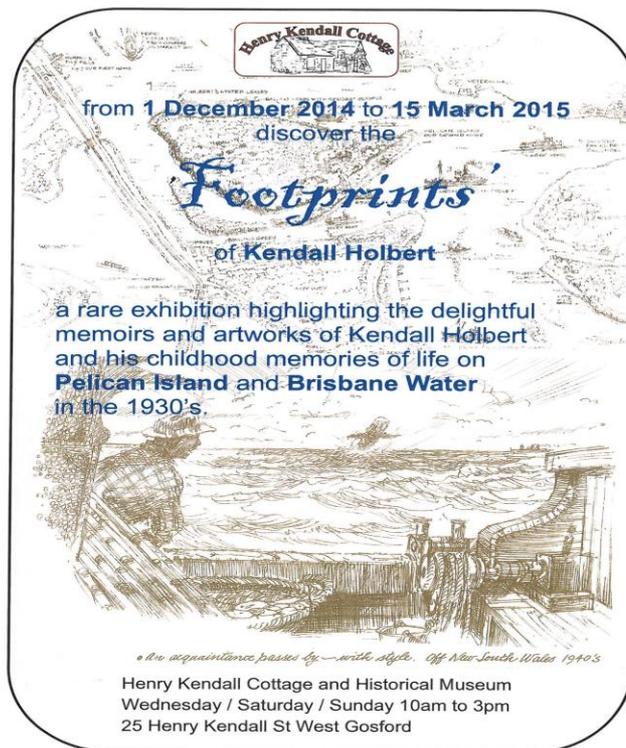
Summer Gathering

Our **Summer Gathering** was on January 17th – the third Saturday of the month.

The Guest Speaker was Colin Margin of Margin's Soft Drinks' fame. Margin's Cordials were founded at Woy Woy in 1914 by Colin's grandfather and were well known on the coast for many years until bought out by Coca Cola in 1985. Colin and one of our members, Research Officer Joan Patrick, have just completed a Family History of the family and the Company at Woy Woy during the 20th Century and this was the subject of Colin's very interesting Presentation.



What a fascinating enjoyable life Colin has had, not only in the successful business of Soft Drinks and related fields but in the world cruise that he and his wife May enjoyed for nine years. I think we could have kept Colin talking for quite some time before stopping for Afternoon Tea.



This special display will be available until mid March when the Heritage Week Display goes up. **Footprints** is based on the memoirs of Kendall Holbert who grew up on the Central Coast in the 1930s and 1940s. Kendall's family had oyster leases around the Woy Woy area and were probably the only people to live on **Pelican Island**. Kendall has done some delightful drawings of the area which have been copied for the exhibition. If you haven't seen it already, do visit the museum to see this interesting display.



PROGRAM 2015

Planning is underway on our Program for 2015. This is the Program so far for the early part of 2015.

Four Outings are scheduled and also two smaller Outings. In response to quite a few requests, this year we are trialing Saturday afternoons for our quarterly Gatherings. Hopefully this will enable some of our members who work during the week to come along to the meetings and also perhaps encourage some new members to join in.

Saturday afternoons are usually pretty quiet so we don't think there will be any problem of the meeting conflicting with visitors.

FEBRUARY – Saturday 21st 1.00 – Instead of an Outing on this day there will be a social occasion of a BBQ lunch for our members and their family and friends to 'launch' our new electric BBQ. We received a Government Grant from NSW Government's Community Building Partnership Program to purchase and install an electric BBQ and 2 extra tables with benches in our grounds. All is installed now and 'up and running' so please come along and enjoy a relaxing afternoon in the Grounds. Sausages etc. and salads will be provided but if you are able to bring something sweet (finger food) to go with our tea and coffee that will be great. We need to make sure that we have enough sausages so please ring Margaret (4384 3271) or Edith (4329 5212) to let us know if you can come.

MARCH - Saturday 21st 1.00 - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Following the AGM there will be afternoon tea as usual. Nomination forms are included with this Newsletter.

APRIL - Heritage Week - Saturday 4th April – 11th April. Please note that our Open Day will be held on the **second Saturday, 11th April.** Our normal meeting day would be on the same day as the Central Coast Wide Celebration of the Centenary of Gallipoli being organised by Gosford RSL and other RSLs. We have been asked to prepare a display for this which Kreenah is organising. Our meeting on 11th April will commence about 10.30 am followed by lunch. Geoff Potter, Local Studies Librarian from Gosford Library, will be one of the Guest Speakers. The National Trust theme for Heritage Week is "Conflict and Compassion". Details of times and other speakers will be advised next month.

MAY - Autumn Gathering – Saturday, 16th at 1 pm.

- Working/Cleaning Bee – to be held one Saturday, date TBA.

PROGRAM 2015 (cont'd)

JUNE – Outing- Parramatta History Trip. Our bus is met in Parramatta by Judith Dunn who will take us around to the many historical places in Parramatta. Judith is a member of the RAHS committee and runs an organisation called Past Time Tours which organises History Tours around Sydney - highly recommended by people who have been on them. We will let you know exact date and time soon.

JULY – Winter Gathering – Saturday 18th July – 1.00**BWHS Calendars**

The calendar contains lovely old photos of the Central Coast from Gwen Dundon's fabulous postcard collection and costs \$9.00. There are still copies available for sale at the museum but supplies are dwindling so don't delay if you would like to purchase one.

GROUP BOOKINGS – February & March 2015

Feb. 9	Mon.	11.00	Monday History Group	20-22 Snrs
Feb. 18	Wed.	9.15	Rhapsody of the Sea (A&K)	TBA
Feb. 20	Fri.	10.00	Terranova Tours	46 visitors
Mar. 9	Mon.	12.00	Terranova Tours	46 visitors
Mar. 13	Fri.	10.15	Celebrity Solstice	visitors TBA
Mar. 13	Fri.	10-10.15	Wanderers – Penrith	20 visitors
Mar. 18	Wed.	11.00	Bouddi Peninsula Snr Cit.	15 seniors
Mar. 24	Tue.	12.00	Terranova Tours	46 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 our 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 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.

PATRONS:	Charles Gosford, The Earl of Gosford	and	Lawrie McMcKinna, Mayor of Gosford City
-----------------	---	-----	--

PRESIDENT:	Edith Campbell	4329 5212 e.cam@bigpond.com
SNR VICE PRESIDENT & PUBLICITY OFFICER:	Margaret Pearce	4384 3271 rpearce31@bigpond.com
VICE PRESIDENT & NEWSLETTER EDITOR:	Shirley Rider	4322 2911 rider@smartchat.net.au
VICE PRESIDENT:	Tricia Scott	4369 2796 neville.scott6@bigpond.com
SECRETARY:	Margareta Tauni	4332 5408 marg_tauni@hotmail.com
TREASURER:	George Boettiger	4382 4882 jorgenb@bigpond.com
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Bev Blockey	4369 0069
COMMITTEE MEMBER:	Gwen Dundon	4325 1777 gfgm2@bigpond.net.au
COMMITTEE MEMBER & PUBLIC OFFICER	Brian McCafferty	0431866190 brian.mccafferty@y7mail.com
CURATOR:	Kreenah Yelds	0409664325 kreenahyelds@bigpond.com

AUDITOR:	Mr. A C Westbury	
HONORARY SOLICITOR:	Mr. W Rutledge	4323 3333

PLEASE NOTE:

All correspondence should be forwarded to our actual street address of 25-27 Henry Kendall Street, West Gosford, 2250 - unless otherwise noted.

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!!!!**

COPYRIGHT: Articles from this Newsletter may be reprinted by other groups without permission, providing acknowledgement is made of the original source and author, unless they are specifically marked copyright.

DISCLAIMER; Whilst every effort is made to check the accuracy of articles published in this Newsletter, the Society accepts no responsibility for errors and the views expressed are not necessarily those of the Society.