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Welfare

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Bev Blockey, Bob Rider, Sylvia Marshall, Margaret and Ron Pearce, and anyone else who hasn't been 'travelling well' recently. Glad to see Patricia Moffett back 'on deck'.

Street Stall

We had a successful Street Stall on October 2nd and made \$567. We also sold \$94 worth of tickets in the Rotary Raffle. Thanks very much to all those members who worked very hard leading up to and on the day itself. Left over items were donated to the Red Cross and Fairhaven

COMING EVENTS

Spring Gathering – 18th November

At our Spring Gathering we will welcome our Guest Speaker, Winsome Andrews and her topic is **Jacebo (James) Cutter**. It's a rather sad story but an interesting one. Check out the headstone towards the rear on the verandah sidewall of the museum. The inscription on the headstone is unusual as it's written in Latin and Pitman's Shorthand, as well as English.

Christmas/Birthday Party – 9th December, 12.00

Our caterer this year is **Barry's Spit Roast**. We had this caterer for quite a few years in the past and found the food to be delicious. Cost is \$35.00 a head. Please RSVP to Margaret Pearce – 4322 2922.

The **Menu** that the Committee has decided on is below:

Meats - (3) Beef, Pork, Ham (hot) – (Gravy if desired)

Jacket Potatoes (cooked in foil)

Salads - 3) Cole Slaw, Greek Salad, Potato Salad

Fresh Bread Rolls and Butter

Desserts Pavlova

Fruit Salad

Tea and Coffee

Entertainment will be provided too, by the beautiful voice of 'Stick' Richards and his keyboard.

WWI History Display

Do drop in to view the model ships on display if you haven't seen them. These are by our member, Peter Rea of History and Heritage, Hunter to Hawkesbury (4HR). The Honour Roll Exhibition will continue until the end of November and also includes a great display of WWI postcards (courtesy of Gwen Dundon) and many photographs.



Two of Peter Rea's beautiful Model Ships – HMAS Swan and HMAS Sydney



WWI History Display (cont'd)



Photos and postcards are also on display

Garnet Adcock – Embarkation Details – WWI

Rank: Lieutenant

Roll title: No 4 Tunnelling Company and 1 Reinforcements (May 1916). No 5 Tunnelling Company and 1 Reinforcements (May 1916). No 6 Tunnelling Company and 1 Reinforcements (June 1916). Tunnelling Companies - 2 Reinforcements (July 1916)

Conflict: First World War, 1914-1918

Date of embarkation: 25 May 1916

Place of embarkation: Melbourne

Ship embarked on: HMAT Warilda A69

Program - November & December 2014

Please check the Newsletter for updates

NOV - Tue. 18 1.00

**Spring Gathering – Guest Speaker
- Winsome Andrews
Topic : Jacebo (James) Cutter**

DEC - Tue. 9 11.30 (for 12.00)

Christmas/Birthday Party

DEC - Sat. 27

Bunning's BBQ

BBQ

We're pleased to report that our new electric BBQ was installed on Saturday, 1st November. Our wonderful workers were David & Danny Benwell, Garry Sanders, Lou Forster, John Rousch, and Frank Courts, and Neville Scott, employing his electrical expertise, carried out the electrical installation. They tried it out and cooked themselves a lovely sausage sizzle – well deserved! Hard work especially on a hot day. Thanks so much guys – we'll think of you whenever we have a sausage sizzle.

Some people may have noticed the remains of our brick BBQ. At one time we were considering installing our new BBQ in the brick shell but it had deteriorated badly and therefore was not strong enough. So we had to say goodbye to our lovely old BBQ which has given long and faithful service over the years.

The new BBQ is bound to get a lot of use and we have a booking already. Gosford Blue Waters Probus have booked it for their Australia Day BBQ function in our Grounds on January 26.

New Book

We have more copies of *Terrigal : a history of the area* by Liz Parkinson for sale at \$27.50. This is a wonderful book for anyone with an interest in this area, very readable, with some great photos. It would make a good Christmas present too.

Bunning's BBQ

Kate and David have very kindly offered to organize our Bunning's BBQ on December 27th. Thanks heaps guys! This can be tiring hot work and it's up to the rest of us to make sure we purchase a sausage sizzle that day!

Subscriptions

Just a gentle reminder to those members who haven't paid their 2014 subscriptions. Unfortunately we won't be able to send any more **Cooranbean Couriers** to our unfinancial members. We know it's very easy to forget things like this so hopefully this will 'jog' your memory. 2015 Subscriptions will be due in January 2015.

Stop Press! Birth Announcement!

Two baby Tawny Frogmouths born in the museum grounds during October. One still has plenty of down but the other has nearly all feathers.

Group Bookings - November & December

DATE	DAY	TIME	PLACE	NO. ATTENDING
Nov, 20	Thur.	10.00	Terranova Tours	40
Dec. 18	Thur.	9.15	Rhapsody of the Sea (A&K)	TBA
Dec. 20	Sat.	10.00	Terranova Tours	40
Dec. 26	Fri.	10.45	Treetops	TBA

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 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.

Rotary Raffle

It's on again this year and tickets are selling well. Tickets cost \$20 each and a book of tickets (25) costs \$50. You can just take half a book if you don't think you could sell a whole one, or just bring back the unsold tickets. Prizes are great – 1st prize is a \$3 000 voucher, 2nd prize a short break at Magenta Resort, North Entrance, 3rd prize \$150 jewelry voucher, and 4th prize a \$50 voucher on Coles. Tickets and books are available at our Front office or contact Secretary, Margareta Tauni, at 4332 5408.

BWHS Calendars

Our 2015 Calendar has been produced and copies are now on sale at the museum. It contains lovely old photos of the Central Coast from Gwen Dundon's fabulous collection and costs \$9.00. It would make a great Christmas present, as well as gracing your wall.

Ten Years Ago

..... Shirley Rider

I have a little anniversary this year. It's 10 years since I started compiling and editing our **Cooranbean Courier!** (September 2004 was my first Issue). Thanks for your contributions to an interesting 10 years.

This inspired me to look back through our **Cooranbean Couriers** for 2004 and I've picked out a few items of interest - but not a complete list.

The Committee Members were – *President, Elaine Fry : Snr Vice President, Margaret Pearce : Vice Presidents, Shirley Rider & Frank Chalk : Treasurer, Roma McAlister : Secretary, Fred Koch : Committee, Joan Koch, Ruth Logan, Bob Rider : Publicity Officer, Margaret Pearce : Public Officer, Ron Pearce.*

In February the mystery tree growing in our grounds was identified as a Davidson Plum by the Royal Botanical Gardens from samples of leaves, fruit and flowers shown to them by Frank Courts. Over the years Frank has supplied many members with pots of his delicious Davidson Plum jam.

Stan Fry was appointed a "Fellow" of BWHS at the March AGM after 32 years of devoted service to the society. He was only the third member of the Society to be appointed as a "Fellow". A Certificate of Appreciation was awarded to Elaine Fry "As a Significant Woman of the Central Coast, profiled for International Women's Day 8th March, 2004" ... Elaine's accomplishments were listed in the book that was published.

A successful Heritage Fete was held on 1st May, with quite a few familiar names mentioned, many of whom are still hardworking members such as Kate Rowlands & David Benwell, Margaret & Ron Pearce, Shirley & Bob Rider, Frank Courts, Fred Koch, & Sylvia Marshall.

There was a Local History Coach Tour on 14th May to local historic sites and buildings, with some history talks along the way – cost \$20. (Maybe a possibility for us to do a similar Mini bus tour sometime)

Social Functions included a Soup Luncheon at the Cottage in August, and a Luncheon at Margaret and Ron Pearce's in September, Members' Morning Teas, Training Days, and an Historical Event with other Historical organisations in Gosford and Wyong, held in the Cottage Grounds. On 6th December our 54th Birthday and Christmas Function was held in the Grounds at HK Cottage (catered for by Barry's Spit Roast who are catering for our Christmas Function this year).

Other activities throughout the year included Elaine and Shirley attending the RAHS State History Conference at Blacktown.

QUITE A BUSY & EVENTFUL YEAR!

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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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