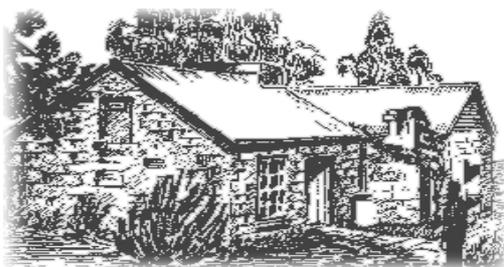


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WELCOME BACK EVERYONE!

2020 was certainly an eventful year and we were probably all glad to wave goodbye to it and we hope that 2021 will see a successful vaccination program and a more settled and happier year - things seem to be pointing that way. Visitors are starting to arrive and Groups are starting to book for future visits. It's nice to see familiar faces and visitors in the museum and cottage and enjoying our lovely grounds.

It's still necessary to follow our Safety Plan so keep up the good work.

SAFETY PLAN

With the Museum and Cottage now open to visitors, protecting the health of our visitors and volunteers is paramount and we have implemented a Safety Plan covering a range of hygiene and physical distancing measures in accordance with the NSW Government's Public Health Order (No 3) 2020. A copy of the plan is available at Reception.

Entry

We are limiting the number of visitors to each section of the premises and you are asked to follow signage to maintain 4 square metres of space for each person. Signage will be displayed at each building entrance and internal area advising of the maximum capacity allowed. Please note that as a condition of entry, we are required to record the contact details of all visitors to assist with contact tracing in the event of a confirmed case of COVID-19. You are asked to record your name and email or phone details in the log book on entry. The information will be held according to relevant privacy law requirements.

Due to COVID restrictions, limited tours and school groups can make bookings with our Booking Officer, Shirley Rider: rider@smartchat.net.au

Cleaning

General cleaning is undertaken daily on days when site is open to visitors and high touch areas cleaned frequently during the day.

Hand Washing and Sanitizing

Soap and paper towels are provided in the toilets for visitor use. Hand sanitizers are available at entry points and inside the buildings.

Staying at a safe distance

Social distancing rules will be in place throughout the site. Please keep everyone safe by staying at least 1.5 meters distance from others at all times.

Offering contactless payment

We are encouraging contactless payments as much as possible, so please bring a credit or debit card to pay for entry, membership and any on-site purchases.

Compliance

Please comply with any directions from volunteers on duty.

Richard has supplied the following rules to obey at the Museum/Cottage.

Maximum Capacity for each area, based on 4 sq.mtrs per person

Museum	10 people	Cottage	5 people
Kitchen/Reception	2 people	Maitland Table	3 people
Entry/Waiting	5 people	Archive/Back Office	1 person
Slab Shed	3 people		

Extract from Media Release - 2 January 2021

Update on restrictions -

Mandatory legal requirements for visitors:

On entry please scan the QR code with your smartphone camera or the ServiceNSW QR code reader.

Then follow the prompts.

Your phone will need mobile data turned on.

Face Masks must be worn at all times in the Museum and Cottage

The following measures for Greater Sydney (including Wollongong, Central Coast and Blue Mountains) are now effective. The media release has been printed and placed at the entry and on the table at the museum

- Face masks will be mandatory in the following indoor settings:
 - shopping (retail, supermarkets and shopping centres)
 - public/shared transport, indoor entertainment (including cinemas and theatres)
 - places of worship
 - hair and beauty premises.
- Face masks will also be mandatory for all staff in hospitality venues and casinos and for patrons using gaming services.
- Compliance will start from Monday, 4 January 2021 with \$200 on the spot fines for individuals for non-compliance. Children under 12 are exempt but are encouraged to wear masks where practicable.
- Gym classes reduced to 30 people.
- Places of worship and religious services limited to 1 person per 4sqm up to a maximum of 100 people per separate area.
- Weddings and funerals limited to 1 person per 4sqm up to a maximum of 100 people.
- Outdoor performances and protests reduced to 500 people.
- Controlled, outdoor gatherings (seated, ticketed, enclosed) reduced to 2,000 people.
- Night clubs not permitted.

People are still encouraged to limit non-essential gatherings and reduce their mobility where possible to further minimise the risk of transmission in the community. <https://www.nsw.gov.au/media-releases/update-on-restrictions-2-january-2021>,

As our President Don has confirmed -

"I think it is clear, Retail is covered by the mask rules in our area (The Central Coast), we are operating in the **retail** sector and subject to the Government. These rules will be subject to change by the Government as necessary and override any other group instructions or advice, Brisbane Water Historical Society Inc. shall comply with this Media Release's instructions, advice and authorised updates. Please wear a mask in enclosed buildings & maintain distancing in all areas. We are responsible and have a duty of care to clearly instruct any customers, visitors and volunteers as to the media release and its basic requirements."

The NSW Government has improved the QR code (see above). Visitors now do not need the Service NSW App on their phone. They can simply scan the code with their camera and enter their details.

Our sign at Reception has been updated..

SNIPPETS

Membership

Please renew your membership for 2021 and we appreciate your support. Enclosed with the December newsletter was a Membership Renewal letter which contains details and various methods of payment of your membership fee. We now offer card payments through our point-of-sale system which was installed last year.

Rotary Club Raffle

Yes, it's on again this year! Fantastic prizes are -

- 1st prize - \$3000 in Cash donated by *Mingara Recreation Club*)
- 2nd Prize - Set of 3 *Tosca Luggage* value \$700 - donated by *helloworld Travel Bateau Bay*
- 3rd Prize - Accommodation & Breakfast for 2 adults from *The Clan Terrigal*
- 4th Prize - \$150 Voucher from *Gem Design Jewellers, The Entrance*
- 5th & 6th Prize - \$50 Voucher from *Bunnings Warehouse*

Tickets are \$2 each and may be obtained from HK Museum during opening hours.

FILMS from 10 years ago (2011)

One of the most popular films in 2011 was "*Contagion*" - easy to see what that was about - most appropriate. Actually, it was quite a good movie!

Some others you might remember were *War Horse*, *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Pt.2* - *The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo* - *The Help* - *Hugo* - and quite a few more.

Unearthed during our de-accessioning was a ***Pears Shilling Cyclopaedia*** c. 1913. It's a fascinating little book, containing an enormous amount of information for the time in its 1070 pages, on a wide variety of subjects, but in very small type. The book is intact but a rather unsympathetic and clumsy repair had been made in the past - maybe this could be remedied. I believe we should keep it in our collection as a novelty, to be looked at but treated carefully. It's probably worth just a few dollars.

(I remember when I was a small child my family had a copy of Pears Encyclopaedia but I don't think it was as old as this one.... Ed.)



Two nice senior ladies visited the museum recently. When they were going they said how much they had enjoyed their visit and how impressed they were by our interesting, (and dust-free exhibits !)

If anyone has any interesting Snippets - anecdotes, funny stories or jokes - please email them to me for the Newsletter. Thanks ... Shirley, Ed.

Here's another of Henry Kendall's lovely poems -

THE WARRIGAL

*The Warrigal's lair is pent in bare,
Black rocks at the gorge's mouth ;
It is set in ways where Summer strays
With the sprites of flame and drouth ;
But when the heights are touched with lights
Of hoar-frost, sleep, and shine,
His bed is made of the dead grass-blade
And the leaves of the windy pine.*

*Through forest boles the storm-wind rolls,
Vext of the sea-driv'n rain ;
And, up in the cleft, through many a rift,
And the voices of torrents complain.
The sad marsh-fowl and the lonely owl
Are heard in the fog-wreaths grey,
When the Warrigal wakes, and listens, and takes
To the woods that shelter the prey,*

*In the gully-deeps the blind creek sleeps,
And the silver, showery moon
Glides over the hills, and floats, and fills,
And dreams in the dark lagoon ;
While halting hard by the station yard,
Aghast at the hut-flame nigh,
The Warrigal yells - and flats and fells
Are loud with this dismal cry.*

THE WARRIGAL (cont'd)

*On the topmost peak of mountains bleak
The south wind sobs, and strays
Through moaning pine and turpentine,
And the rippling runnel ways ;
And strong streams slow, and great mists go,
Where the Warrigal starts to hear
The watch-dog's bark sharp in the dark,
And flees like a phantom of fear.*

*The swift rains beat, and the thunders fleet
On the wings of the fiery gale,
And down in the glen of the pool and fen,
The wild gums whistle and wail,
As over the plains and past the chains
Of waterholes glimmering deep,
The Warrigal flies from the shepherd's cries,
And the clamour of dogs and sheep.*

*He roves through the lands of sultry sands,
He hunts in the iron range,
Untamed as surge of the far sea verge,
And fierce and fickle and strange.
The white man's track and the haunts of the black
He shuns, and shudders to see ;
For his joy he tastes in lonely wastes
Where his mates are torrent and tree.*

(note : also known as a Native Dog or Dingo)

(written c.1867)

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Brisbane Water Historical Society Inc. owns and maintains Henry Kendall Cottage and Historical Museum that is open for inspection every Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday from 10.30am to 2.30pm.

Our Grounds are open every day from 10.00 am to 4.00pm for visitors to stroll around and view our outdoor exhibits. 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.

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