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DIARY DATES

HISTORY TALK.

5th August @ 2pm Ellen de Chastle Re Churches and religion on Buderim from settlement.

Field Visit for Standards Review

8th August 10-3 pm.

School Visit

Chancellor Park College

14th & 17th August 9.30 – 1

AGM

Saturday 9th September 2pm



HISTORY TALK
Saturday 5th August at 2 pm
Our speaker will be
Ellen de Chastel
who has been eagerly

researching the subject "Churches and Religion on Buderim from settlement".

All are welcome – bring your friends. Wilma Hiddins

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Last newsletter was the cause of much stress to me as I had trouble with my IT provider not being able to send the publication out via group email. I changed providers then had trouble because I had too many large photos. The major hassle then became a time one and luckily Steve Ormerod came to my assistance and we were able then to get an abbreviated edition out. After this I sent a reminder to everyone about our History Talk and it didn't go through either. As a result we didn't have many turn up for our History talk which was one of our best yet.

Then we struck another problem. We were unable to record the talk by Laurel Asimus and Gwyneth Sadgrove. Gwyneth was the longest serving President of the Buderim Garden Club and her memory is amazing. She did give us a copy of a booklet which she had written about her achievements during her terms so all is not lost.

So! I wish to remind you all to take note of the above announcement about our talk in August – Please come as I know Ellen has gone to a lot of trouble and she has involved others to help with a PowerPoint presentation to accompany her talk.

Now what have we all been up to in the last few months – from my point of view MASSES of paperwork. We are getting through the Standards Review and we are looking forward to our Field Visit on the 8th August by Deannah Vieth, Training and Professional Development Manager at M&G, Bronwyn Roper, Museum Development Officer M&G as well as Dr Geraldine Mate, Senior Curator of Cultures and Histories Program at The Workshop Rail

Museum, Ipswich. They will travel up from Brisbane and spend the day with us looking at the collection and all our paperwork then offering advice on anything we or they feel we need help with.

I must express my thanks to Ruth Ormerod, Jess Harris, Robyn Edwards, Wilma Hiddins and the rest of the committee for their help during this exercise. Ruth especially has been wonderful. Her experience with this kind of paperwork has ensured we have everything up to date (we hope). She has also kept my nose to the grindstone when I stated to flag.

Jess has found this very interesting and said only a few days ago that she wished she was 10 years younger as so many exciting things are happening here.

I attended the opening of the wonderful exhibition "From the Mountains to the Sea" put on by the Sunshine Coast Council at the University Art Gallery on the 8th July and I can only advise you all to go and have a look. It is on until the 14th August and there are some wonderful bits of memorabilia of the area. We have several artefacts in the display as well. It is a celebration of the naming of the Sunshine Coast 50 years ago.

Another Council celebration coming up is the Horizon Festival from 25^{th} to 3^{rd} September. As part of this there will be another open weekend of all the historical museums on Saturday and Sunday 26^{th} and 27^{th} August. We plan to be open both days from 11-3 and will be serving our Devonshire Teas for \$5 ea. Entry to the museum will be free both days.

We will be hosting Chancellor Park College students on both the 14^{th} and 18^{th} of August from 9.30-1 pm. They have a wonderful time and many children do come back again with their families so this is an important part of our service to the community.

Bilai will be back again in November with Mountain Creek School for their visit with all their wonderful activities.



You may have seen on our Facebook page that we have received our fireproof cabinet for the safe storage of our documents. We were able to obtain

it because of the wonderful donation we received from the "St Patrick's Melody and Mirth Concert" back in March. Wilma and Jess have been very busy getting rid of the "Off Gas" before using it for storage.

As I mentioned before we have been very busy getting our paperwork up to date for our Standards Review and after all that trouble I

would hate to see it all go up in smoke - so a big sigh of relief from the whole committee.

I can assure you no one could ever steal it as we had to have a crane to off load it as shown here.



We had our second visit from Josh Tarrant re our Significance Assessment recently and we hope to have the results of that soon – before the Standards field visit I hope. This will tell us what are the most important items we have in our collection and give us guidance as to what needs professional conservation. Josh was very excited when we showed him our minutes from the Buderim Progress association from the early 20^{th} century. We recently received a couple of donations so we have sent these minutes off for conservation. This will take approximately three months then we will be able to let them be used for research.

There were several letters with the minutes – some from Mr Nicklin – so we purchased some more conservation equipment and Jess, Wilma and I have spent some time cleaning and conserving them, to the best of our ability and knowledge, which was great fun.

In May I attended the **Museums & Galleries National conference**. What a full few days I almost needed a holiday to get over all the information stuffed into my poor brain.

It was held at the Brisbane Conference centre. You need a satnay to be able to find your way around this building.

I found the first day by far the best for me. It was the Regional and Remote day and catered more for small museums.

The Keynote speaker talked about Kids in Museums. She has started a NFP group in England to encourage more families to attend museums and more museums to make themselves more family friendly. Excellent.

I have written a more comprehensive report which is available for anyone who wishes to read it by contacting the Historical Society.

Apart from the wonderful information gathered at these conferences it is always a great way to network. I spoke to many interesting people from all over Australia and New Zealand mainly. Our group from the Sunshine Coast were supported financially by the Sunshine Coast Council Cultural Heritage Levy.



Sunshine Coast representatives at the M&G conference Louise, Prue, Peter, Wendy & Kate.

We have a bit of a problem with the outdoor toilet and rotting wood. Our maintenance team and the BWMCA are going to be repairing it soon.

Shortly David Wood and I will be sitting down to complete another acquittal form for our Community Partnership Grant from Sunshine Coast Council Heritage Levy. This means another year of greatly appreciated assistance towards running costs has passed. We still have a grant approved for next year.

Our dear friends Ellen de Chastle and Moss Tremayne have been in hospital and we are very sorry to report that Moss has had to give up his volunteering. He will be sadly missed for his devotion to the history of Buderim and his door duty as well as spraying the weeds. Get well soon.

Now to our Annual General Meeting. It is on Saturday the 9th of September at 2 pm. We would love you all to attend if possible.

I have attached a Nomination Form so please feel free to nominate someone if you wish.

There will be a good afternoon tea as usual so come for that if nothing else.

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