

PATRON Lorrell Jamieson PRESIDENT: David Wood 5477

0102

VICE PRESIDENT: Kevin Briggs 0488 021 894 SECRETARY: Bev Lavarack 5445

1355 **TREASURER:** Margaret Welshe 0414 452 722

GENERAL

COMMITTEE:

Lorraine Buhk 5444

1955 Doug Benckendorff 5445

4683 Ruth Ormerod 5326

1740

CURATOR: Prue Cawley 5445 1341

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Jess Harris 5476 9539 HISTORY TALKS: Bey & Bill Lavarack 5445

1355

4650

MEMBERSHIP: Ian Jackson 5445

DIARY DATES

Annual General Meeting Saturday 12th September 2020 @ 2pm

THE PIONEER

THE BUDERIM HISTORICAL SOCIETY Inc. September / October 2020

PRESIDENT'S REPORT July 2020

It's great to see Pioneer Cottage open to the public again and our Covid-19 safety measures functioning well. It appears that our Eftpos machine is doing its job, but a high proportion of our visitors still seem to pay cash. Visitor numbers also seem to be up a bit as local people emerge from lockdown. Welcome also to our new volunteers.



Great progress has been made with the repairs to the attic, with the upstairs bedrooms open to the public again. There is still one niggling leak which I think that I have located following the recent rains. The builder will be returning next Wednesday (5 August) to complete painting of the windows and he will attempt to stop the leak by re-sealing the flashing on the Southern dormer window. The invoiced cost for the repairs has been reduced due to BHS supplying the recycled

hardwood timber for the work, however any additional work for long term leak prevention will also be invoiced separately

A condition of the grant is that a report is prepared with photographs detailing the work that is carried out. I took copious photographs



and these with the report will be added to the Pioneer Cottage maintenance record. The new boards will be left as they are, to weather like the old boards, and a brief script displayed to inform visitors about the project to assist their understanding of heritage conservation. It was an inspiring project for all involved.

I would like to extend a special thank you to Ruth and Steve for their work in rearranging and covering the furniture before the repair work and reinstating the attic bedrooms after the work.

During the repair work I took the opportunity to tidy up the attic space, removing several bucket loads of old rat nests which included a lot of old macadamia seeds. I also removed bits of scrap

timber and what appeared to be a heavily dust laden record player. After removing the dust and some research on the internet, I discovered that the machine was an Emidicta, a machine manufactured by Electric and Musical Industries Ltd of Hayes Middlesex (EMI).

I also discovered a similar machine at the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences manufactured in 1948 (<u>https://collection.maas.museum/object/261846#&gid=1&pid=1</u>). I have since been in touch with Warren Redhead of L.F Berwick and Co in Brisbane who advised that most of their old company records no longer existed, but his retired uncle who was responsible for sales in this area, may remember who their clients were. Our discovery will be in the next newsletter from Sunshine Coast Council Heritage Group.

Our application for a grant to Sunshine Coast Council for a termite management system for Vise House and Pioneer Cottage (COV19FI1023) was successful. Our application was for the fully quoted cost of \$4225, however the grant awarded is \$3500. The contractor Suncoast Termite & Pest has confirmed that work will commence on this project on Friday 7 August.

David Wood President.

CONGRATULATIONS DAVID

David has done a superb job of assisting the builders who repaired our attic and the number of hours he devoted to this was huge. Not only did he source the extra timber needed but he planed the boards to the correct thickness and routed the tongue and groove to replicate the current boards. Of course, this was after cleaning out the ceiling spaces of years of muck and even vacuuming them as well.

He almost lived in the cottage for 3-4 weeks and the result has saved the BHS and BWMCA much money for these repairs.

Thank you, David.

EXCITING NEW PROJECT

The BHS was approached by Buderim photographer Ross Eason with a proposal that he would like to help us to improve the longevity of photos of Buderim. He suggested we need to have the original or negatives of any photograph that is historically important to digitalise them and develop them on long lasting backings.

He is willing to do the preservation work for which we will apply for a grant.

As most of our photos are copies, we are searching for any relevant photos or negatives that our local community has and which they are willing to loan or donate to us.

We would like to concentrate on photos from the late 1800s to 1950s. They should be of Buderim and its surrounds or people from this area.

Please contact Prue Cawley on 5445 1341 before 20th August and she will make an appointment for you to bring your photos to her at Pioneer cottage for appraisal.



NEW ACQUISITIONS.

These tools were recently donated to us by Brian Holliday and were used by his father during his time on Buderim. We have gladly accepted them for our Slab Hut, and this is the history of them as supplied by Brian.

Jack Halliday, my father, was originally from Tumut, NSW. During WW2 he was in the Civil Construction Corp as he was deemed unfit for military service because of back problems.

After the war he first came to Buderim working in a construction gang of Cadel who worked on the Ginger Factory.

My parents were married in December 1945. The first house they lived in was rented from Hanlon [hence Hanlon St]. Joyce and Les Short were then living almost opposite [55 Lindsay Rd] and had a 5-acre farm that went from Lindsay's fence around to their high stumped house of many years and adjoining Longs (who had 12 acres). Dad agreed to buy the block of land at 69 Lindsay Rd from Shorts for £100. Then, the government reviewed prices of land and they came back with a price of £90; Dad gave the Shorts the extra £10 under the table. When Shorts came to build their high stumped house at 73 Lindsay Rd, Dad built it with Mr Short labouring, on weekends. It took them 10 months to build the house. [The previous 3 sentences from Joyce Short.]

I am a bit hazy on when Dad built his house at 69 Lindsay Road, but I do have his official approval paper to build the house dated June 1949. He would have built it on weekends and as he could get materials as there were shortages post WW2. Max Nomus would be able to tell you more about that as it was his father who had the sawmill and sheeting distribution business.

My father worked in the construction gang for a time but later, - early 1950s at a guess, worked as a partnership with Joe Jenkins of Nambour building houses mostly. Most of the work was on Buderim. That partnership built the Underwood's house and did a lot of the work on the muffler factory. Around the mid-1960s [I am guessing] that partnership finished, and he went into partnership with Dale Usher.

On weekends my father built the Scout Hut in Lindsay Road with Fred Leek, the then Scout Master, labouring. Materials were donated by Mr McGowan who owned the sawmill at the time.

My father died in February 1977.

Brian

MEMBERSHIP

Have you paid this year's membership yet? We are still missing a few payments so please assist in the continued running of our Historical Society by paying as soon as possible. Of course, if you have paid thank you so very much. Prue

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Yes, it is that time again for us to stand up and be counted.

The AGM will take place on the 12th September at 2pm please come and join us.

Are you willing to take on an executive position in this great organisation? Or maybe you would like to nominate someone who you know would like to join us.

We have added a nomination form to this newsletter for you to fill in and return to us. We need them by 29th August for display at the cottage so please think about the future of your Historical Society.

If you do not wish to be an executive, we would still love you to attend and show your support.

We are aware of COVID-19 regulations and to physically distance we will hold the meeting on the veranda of the cottage.



Lorraine, Doug, Bev, Ruth Prue. Margaret, David & Kevin

MORE THANK YOUS

During our shutdown some of our door volunteers decided to retire after some excellent service to the BHS. Joan Perry, Jan McKay, Bernard Adcock, and Janet & Martin Newby. We wish to thank them for their help – Joan & Jan also served in the Social Fundraising Group helping with group visits, Christmas & Easter Fairs and at our Soirees. All will be missed but we appreciate their decisions and say THANK YOU.

New volunteers Geoff & Janet Baker and Donna Sharman have joined us. This is wonderful and welcome to our team

We have decided to keep the cottage closed on Mondays for the time being until we have enough volunteers to cover this.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING BUDERIM HISTORICAL SOCIETY Inc 7 Pioneer Crescent PO BOX 769 Buderim Qld. 4556 Web www.buderimhistoricalsociety.com Phone 07 5450 1966 E-mail bhsinc4556@optusnet.com.au

NOMINATION FOR EXECUTIVE POSITION

I, (full name of proposer), printed being a member of the Buderim Historical Society Inc, hereby nominate:

(full name of nominee) to hold the position of

.....

from the Annual General Meeting to be held on Saturday 12th September 2020

DATED : this	day of	2020
Signature of Proposer		
Signature of Seconder Accepted by the N	ominee for the position i	
•••••	•••••	•••••

Signature of Nominee

Date