



THE PIONEER

BUDERIM HISTORICAL SOCIETY Inc.

November/December 2022

President's Report September 2022

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NEWSLETTER:

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DIARY DATES

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday 26 November 7am – 2pm

At War Memorial Hall

CHRISTMAS SOIREE

Friday 2 December 2022 5pm -7pm

I wish to welcome our new Management Committee to our first meeting following our AGM held on 10 September. I wish to sincerely thank those members who are continuing in previous roles that they have filled and welcome those members, Geoff Baker and John Nichols, who have joined us on the Management Committee. I look forward to working with the committee as we meet the challenges of the next twelve months.

We are patiently awaiting on the decision regarding a small preservation and conservation grant that will provide funds to repair our water damaged chifffonier, 17th century donated chair and restoration work on the frame of a 1897 watercolour painted by 19th century artist, Neville Cayley. On Saturday, 10 September, we were presented with a grant from the Buderim Foundation to help us establish an historical research facility in Vise House and I am pleased to report that the funds from the Foundation went into our bank on 13 September. It is now time to start enacting the vision of developing a research position.

The maintenance of the two external doors in Vise House continue to require attention and we need to prepare a budget or get quotes to rectify the current situation. The roof on Pioneer Cottage continues to be a work in progress. The council and Redleaf Environmental have prepared a report on the existing roof and produced a second report highlighting possible revenue streams that BHS and BWMCA could explore. I wrote to Redleaf Environmental on 26 September stating that, given it is almost October, I believed that 2023 was a more appropriate time to look towards the project of a roof replacement, when possible sources of funding for the project will be more open to our needs. I stated that we were looking for the roof to be funded externally given the ongoing financial needs of maintaining the operating costs of our museum and associated facilities. Two essential steps needed to be undertaken prior to applying for grants. These are the application of an Exemption Certificate (Dept Environment and Science) and a formalised quote for the roof replacement from a registered builder (roofing contractor) with heritage experience.

Our Harcourts' project has drawn to a close and it is a win for Jarrad's new office and a win for Buderim Historical Society with an excellent exposure of some of our photographic collection. The wall in Jarrad's conference room has become a montage of historical photographs and written historical intrigue. Janet and Geoff Baker's hard work and research and Bill Lavarack's historical timeline provided the photographs and content for the project. The long hours and effort put in by Janet and Geoff are to be commended and praised. The wall being used at Jarrad's new office is a large wall in a common meeting room that the general Buderim public will be able to use for small meetings. Thanks to all involved in this project.

Jarrad has generously donated \$1000 to the Buderim Historical Society for the work that was done by our members to help bring his dream into reality.

On behalf of BHS, I sent a letter of congratulations to John Lyon and the Buderim Garden Club for the prestigious award that they received from Garden Clubs Australia. The award was for the outstanding service that the Buderim Garden Club offers to the Buderim community. I said to John that the award is a small measure of the personal contribution that he makes to the highly successful Buderim Garden Club. Another great achievement for an affiliate of the BWMCA.

Our Assistant Curator, Gail, is about to receive a donated knife found during a major landscaping project on the south-eastern slopes of Buderim. The knife was offered to the Heritage Department of the Sunshine Coast Council. James Abernathy kindly directed the potential donor to BHS. After contacting the donor, Lara Tzafaris, I organised that the knife be delivered to the cottage on Saturday the 1st October. Gail and Lorraine are developing a new display area in the slab hut where a collection of preserved soldering irons and tools will join the displays already on the southern wall of the hut. We need to explore the qualities of the display board checking to make sure that asbestos is not present and will not be disturbed.

The *Museum Mystery Madness* concludes today, 30 September, and I thank Ruth and all the guides involved in this well-organized program. **[Winning entry: Meeka Bailey and Carey Ross]** The Social Fundraising Group have been busy organising the upcoming event *An Evening in the Museum*, the Lions Christmas Fair and our annual Soirée. Thanks once again to our hard-working volunteers.

Kevin Briggs

CHRISTMAS FAIR

The Christmas Fair – Saturday, **26 November** at the War Memorial Hall
8:00am – 3:00pm.

We will be having the usual stall with a range of BHS publications, second hand books, slices, ‘Guess the Mystery Object’ quiz and raffle tickets.

CHRISTMAS SOIREE

Friday 2 December

on the veranda of Pioneer Cottage
5:00pm – 7:00pm.

Come along, bring your friends, join us for Christmas cheer at our annual event. The Christmas Raffle will be drawn during the evening.



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

1st Prize: Christmas cake, wine & Christmas goodies.

2nd Prize: A bottle of GLENLIVET Scotch

Merry Christmas to all from Buderim Historical Society