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History Queensland Inc. AGM Saturday 21 May 2016

This year the AGM will be hosted by the North Pine Historical Society. Further details will be sent later.

MESSAGE FROM MARIE & MARIONNE REGARDING THE AGM.

All positions will be declared vacant at the AGM. We will not be available to stand as newsletter editor and secretary this year, and would like to thank all members for their continued support and friendliness during our time in these positions.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind members that they should use the HQ Inc. generic email addresses, when sending emails to the society, rather than hitting reply, which we acknowledge, is easier and often what we all do. Our webmaster will be setting up forwarding from the generic email addresses – president@historyqueensland.org.au, secretary@historyqueensland.org.au, treasurer@historyqueensland.org.au and insurance@historyqueensland.org.au.

If emails go to a personal email address, and that person is ill or away, or has computer problems, the email may not be read, or other committee members may not be aware of it.

Marionne has been slowly working through old paperwork, in accordance with the society's retention and disposal policy, in preparation to handing over to a new secretary. This has proved a timely reminder that we all need to be aware that metal, rusts particularly staples, paper clips and bull dog clips etc. These have rusted badly in the older paperwork.

HARD COPY OR EMAIL

COULD SOCIETIES PLEASE ADVISE THE SECRETARY IF THEY PREFER TO RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER AS HARD COPY OR BY EMAIL OR BOTH. AS YOU ARE ALL AWARE, POSTAGE HAS NOW INCREASED TO \$1.00

Bank transfer payments

Please remember to put your name (at least the first word plus initials for the other words as space is limited) on any payments made by electronic funds transfer AS WELL AS an email giving notification of payment.

Australian Government's Community Heritage Grant (CHG)

The program provides grants up to \$15,000 for projects including significance assessments of collections; preservation needs assessments of collections; conservation activities and collection management; and training workshops.

The grants are provided to assist with the preservation of locally owned, but nationally significant collections of materials that are publicly accessible including artefacts, letters, diaries, maps, photographs, and audio visual material.

The next grant round will open on 7 March 2016.

News from our members

Peachester Hall

A Gambling Community Benefit Fund grant has been received to “upgrade the facility” – in fact to extend the annex and include a lock-up storage area.

Peachester Hall Committee, as an incorporated association sponsored the application, and a grant of \$34,925.00 was approved.

[Source: Peachester History Committee’s March newsletter]

Vale Clare Boulter

Mt Gravatt District Historical Association

History Queensland Inc. notes with sadness the passing of Clare Boulter, former President of the Mt Gravatt District Historical Association.

Chermside Historical Society

A free lecture series organised by the 9th Battalions Association Inc. programme has been finalised.

All lectures will be in the Milne Bay Memorial Library and Research Centre (Drill Hall) at the Chermside Historical Precinct, 61 Kittyhawk Drive, Chermside.

The first lecture will be on 17 April.

For more information contact the Chermside Historical Society.

Coochiemudlo Island Heritage Society

At the Coochiemudlo Island Heritage Society AGM in 2014, members voted unanimously to return to the Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation (QYAC) the two grindstones and also many artefacts that had been collected and labelled when sewerage lines were excavated by Redline. The grindstones and artefacts were already on loan to the Corporation for its heritage trail.

The grindstones were used to grind roots and nuts for flour. An important food item was flour from the roots of the Swamp Fern, small stands of which struggle to survive on the Island. These were called bangwhal and hence the grindstones are called bangwhal mudlos.

The Society began to build a relationship with QYAC some five years ago when Gavin and Michael Costelloe visited the Island and conducted a walk. QYAC went on to be the custodian of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act when the Quandamooka people were given Native Title in 2011, and Michael became the Cultural Heritage Officer.

Woodford Historical Society

The Woodford Historical Society has obtained a Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Grant. The RADF grant is for researching and the collection of information and stories from the Woodford / Durundur QLD area since the Archer Brothers settled in Woodford to the present.

A lot of the family names in the history books of saw millers and bullock teamsters have descendants all over the country and if anyone wishes to contact us with any information or memories they have, big or small, we can be contacted on 07 54961363, 0429899115, grigorearthmoving@bigpond.com or through the Woodford Historical Society and Museum Facebook page.

Memories people have of the saw mills are not in any written form and if we don’t collect them now, in time they will be lost forever. The stories don’t necessarily have to be from saw mill workers. They can be stories of what people remember of the saw mills and bullock teams of Woodford. We would like to encourage anyone reading this article to pass it on to family and friends so the word spreads on what the Historical Society is doing. The Regional Arts Development Fund is a partnership between the Queensland Government and Queensland local councils.

[Source: Peachester History Committee’s March newsletter]

COOPERS PLAINS LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Their new book *A Closer Look at Salisbury* is ready for printing.

The group has begun gathering information (on histories of churches, schools, shops and industries), maps, photographs, housing developments, parks, street names for *A Closer Look at Acacia Ridge*.

If you have any Acacia Ridge / Archerfield information, newspaper clippings, photographs, maps and/or would like to assist with this project, please contact Beryl <bberylroberts@gmail.com>

The **Mapping Brisbane Southside History** project funds will soon be acquitted. A great amount of work was undertaken on this project by Neville Buch. Check out the website.

Aboriginal Campsites of Greater Brisbane: An Historical Guide

Ray Kerkhove’s *Aboriginal Campsites of Greater Brisbane* is the first book of its kind in Australia to share a history of Aboriginal campsites. It is the first guidebook to the location and features of the numerous Aboriginal camps that flourished in and around Brisbane from convict times to even as late as the 1950s. Many of Brisbane’s suburbs trace their names, parks and key events to these former campsites. The book, at \$29.99, is available from Boolarong Press.

[source: Coopers Plains Local History Group newsletter]

Q ANZAC 100: Memories for a New Generation

Q ANZAC 100: Memories for a New Generation shares untold stories, commemorates our state's past and captures contemporary perspectives of Queensland's experiences during and after the First World War. This four-year program provides opportunities for organisations and individuals across Queensland to explore, understand and contribute to Anzac Centenary commemorations, leaving a legacy beyond 2018 — for future generations.



State Library of Queensland is excited to offer heritage workers and volunteers a comprehensive range of workshops and programs about the First World War. Discover what's coming up in 2016.

Heritage Leaders Workshop: Creating a legacy Thu 12 and Fri 13 May

Join fellow Queensland heritage workers and volunteers for a free two-day program of workshops to explore capabilities in researching, interpreting and sharing First World War collections and content. The workshop will feature dynamic keynote speaker, Professor Bruce Scates FASSA, Chair of History and Australian Studies at the National Centre for Australian Studies, and an intensive workshop program.

On the Home Front Tue 10 and Wed 11 May

Like much of Australia during the war years, Queensland was a divided society. Debates about conscription, the changing role of women and the growing number of broken families characterised a society that was struggling to cope with rapid systemic change. Join symposium facilitator, broadcaster and historian Kate Evans for the opening evening and full day of presentations about the social challenges and changes Queensland experienced during the First World War. Symposium keynote speaker Professor Joan Beaumont, Strategic and Defence Studies Centre, Australian National University, opens the symposium on Tuesday with a discussion about the experience of war by those at home.

Register online to attend the symposiums.

Full program and workshop session registrations will be announced by Friday 1 April. Please visit the Q ANZAC 100 website for program updates.

North Pine Historical Society

In 1994/5 Petrie Historical Society was formed by a group of local people coming together under the guidance of its Patron David Dwyer and the Pine Rivers Shire Council Strathpine Local Studies Librarian, to record the history of the area and its people with stories and photographs. In March 2006 under the guidance of local historian, Leith Barter, the then Local Studies Librarian, the society became incorporated, with its name changed to North Pine Historical Society.

The Historical Society meets monthly in the Leith Barter Room at The Pine Rivers Heritage Museum, in Old Petrie Town, Dayboro Road, Whiteside. Old Petrie Town.

Many of you will remember Leith Barter, (1947-2002), who gave an interesting talk at a History Queensland Inc. meeting some years ago. The Leith Barter Room was opened in his memory on 30 November 2013.

The Sunshine Coast Discovery Guide

Our heritage, our stories

This is an easy-to-use, pocket-sized 68 page guide which includes information on the Coast's aboriginal sites, historic sites, museums and heritage places, and historical societies and research collection. There's a handy fold-out map as well as details on parking, toilets, meals, tea and coffee facilities, disabled access, fees and websites where you can find out more. It's now available from council's customer service centres, libraries and gallery, and an electronic copy is available on the Sunshine Coast Council website.

[Source:Peacheater History Committee's March newsletter]

Deductible Gift Recipient

Can you be endorsed as a DGR?

To be entitled to DGR endorsement, your organisation must have an ABN and fall within a DGR category. Many of the DGR categories require the organisation to be a registered charity. Your organisation may also be required to have dissolution and revocation clauses, maintain a gift fund and be in Australia. [https://www.ato.gov.au/Non-profit/Getting-started/Endorsement/Deductible-gift-recipient-\(DGR\)-endorsement/Can-you-be-endorsed-as-a-DGR-/](https://www.ato.gov.au/Non-profit/Getting-started/Endorsement/Deductible-gift-recipient-(DGR)-endorsement/Can-you-be-endorsed-as-a-DGR-/)

Black Gully

(1840s-1914)

The Manufacturing Centre of Toowoomba

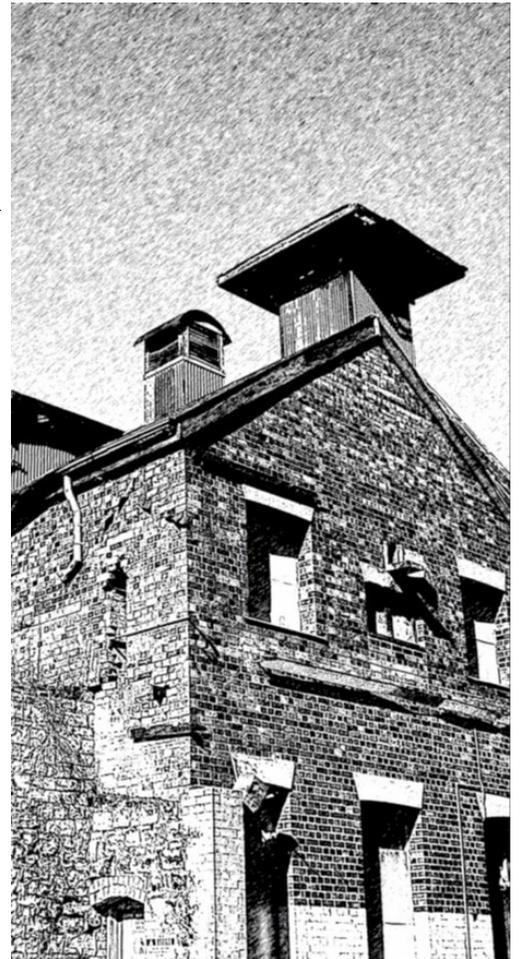
A history of Black Gully, *Black Gully (1840s-1914), The Manufacturing Centre of Toowoomba*, a tribute to the people who lived in, worked in and developed the area, has been written by local historian, Diana Beal, and published by the Toowoomba and Darling Downs Family History Society Inc.

Black Gully started on its industrial period in the 1840s, because it was away from settlement, and therefore industrial odours would cause less offence, and it had a plentiful and secure supply of clean running water, which on the downstream side became a cheap effluent dispersal system. The first industry was fellmongering or the initial treatment of raw skins and hides so that they would not rot before further treatment or tanning could take place. Later came tanning and wool-scouring, and this group of smelly industries was undertaken in the Gully for about 150 years.

Malting was the second most enduring industry. It was undertaken in Black Gully for almost 120 years. A malthouse was established in the Gully in the 1890s and continued, with some breaks, until very recently. The Redwood family was intimately involved in the enterprise, as was the large English malter, William Jones and Son (Maltsters) Ltd, for about 20 years. The bluestone and brick drying kilns and the long malting floor still remain on site, and are the best physical remnants of the industrial past of the Gully.

Other industries include brewing, bacon and smallgoods manufacturing (centrally in the Gully near Gordon Avenue (and not to be confused with the KR site at Willowburn), foundry, saleyards and flour mills. Apart from these secondary industries, the Gully supported a vigorous farming community for many years, including the famous Eton Farm, whose owner, John Shipman, showed many a newcomer how to farm on the Downs.

Perhaps the most conspicuous reminder of Black Gully's industrial past for casual observers is the perceptible bump which they experience when driving in Mort Street and crossing the railway tracks by the Toowoomba Maltings building. These tracks are no longer connected to the main line and are partly covered with bitumen in the old maltings yard. The book will be launched by Emeritus Professor Maurice French on Monday 11th April at 2 pm at the Society's library, 452 South St, Toowoomba, phone 46347377. The book comprises 70 A4 pages, contains about 550 names, and is available at the library for \$15 or can be posted for an extra \$5.



Queensland Memory

Queensland State Archives webinars

Queensland State Archives holds many records that can support and add colour to your Queensland family history research.

This webinar is an introductory guide to uncovering some of these records and will offer hints and research tips.

This session will be broadcast online on Thursday 21 April 10-11am by Queensland State Archives as a webinar. You may sign up as an individual to watch at home, or some local libraries and other groups are partnering with Queensland State Archives to facilitate group viewings. If your virus programme won't allow you to view archived webinars, some are available on <https://www.youtube.com/user/qldstatearchives>.

National Library of Australia's Trove

As most of you will be aware, there is a suggestion that funding cuts will be made to the programme. A petition has been set up at <https://www.megaphone.org.au/petitions/fund-trove-1>.

The background to the project is: The National Library started the Australian Newspaper Digitisation Program in 2007.

At that time the National Library preferred to undertake the scanning and OCR processing on behalf of the contributing organisation, with funds transferred to the Library to cover the costs of the work and welcomed opportunities to support funding applications by contributing organisations.

Charges then were \$2.31 per page (including GST).

Additional charges could apply. We do not know how it has been funded recently but the February release was funded by the National Library of Australia with microfilm supplied by the ANPlan partners.

Further information may be found at <https://www.nla.gov.au/content/contributor-guidelines>.