

Recollections

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“Changing of the Guard”

The AGM was held on Tuesday 6 September at the museum with attendance by many museum members and invited guests from Redland City Council. Mayor Karen Williams declared all positions vacant on the Management Committee and members voted for their choice to fill the committee positions.

As no nominations had been submitted for secretary, nominees were called from the floor and Rick Thomason was elected to the position.

Our new Management Committee is:

President:	Sylvia McGarry
Vice President:	Tony Spinks
Secretary:	Richard Thomason
Treasurer:	Jan Spinks
Past President:	Doug Alexander

Committee Members are:

Peter Adam
Liz Blumson
Deirdre Hargreaves
Paul Jones



The new committee with officers from Redland City Council

Congratulations to the Management Committee; we look forward to an exciting year ahead.

President's Notes- Sylvia McGarry

Hello Members and welcome to our new members.

Your new Management Committee members are settling into their role. The revised Constitution is almost finalized. We have leased new printers/photocopiers. We have also invested in a new computer system as the old one has been “crashing” almost every other day. Our new library is progressing and will be a major asset to the museum when it is completed. Don't forget our Christmas party on 2 December. Everyone is welcome.

Finally, the contribution that our volunteers make to the museum never ceases to amaze me. Thank you for your extraordinary efforts for the *Caravan and 4x4 Wheel Drive Show*. This was hugely successful. Thank you also to the many volunteers who keep the museum running on a daily basis.

Sylvia



Vale

It is with sadness that we note the passing of three valued community members, two of whom were members of our Museum.

Harry Barker – kindly donated the beautiful Kershaw hand-operated projector, dated in the 1920s. Volunteers will be restoring the projector and operating it as a part of our museum's many great treasures- a fitting tribute to Harry.

Ed Hendy – a long standing member of the Rotary Club of Cleveland and member of the Redland Museum for 10 years. Ed worked on projects to improve and develop Redland Museum, drawing on his ability as a handyman, who had previously owner-built two homes and renovated numerous others.

Ellanor (Ellie) Durbidge – Ellie is remembered fondly as a staunch supporter of North Stradbroke Island's environment and cultural heritage. In 1978, she was a founding member of the Stradbroke Island Management Organisation and local councillor from 1969-1973. In 1994 she was awarded an Order of Australia for her services to conservation. You can read more about Ellie's amazing achievements at the museum.

The Museum Members send condolences to their families.

Blast from the Past on the Silver Screen - Norm J

After many years of videoing, taking stills, and generally recording many of the Museum's activities for archival use, Norm J. Dean is retiring from the Audio Visual Group.

Norm J. (as he is well known), would have been seen at many of the Exhibitions, Display Openings, Festivals, Open Days and Model railway shows, creating many videos.

On **Sunday 20th November at 1.30pm**, there is a premier entertainment opportunity to view a selection of these screenings, and maybe see yourself on the silver screen!

A sample selection will include videos on:

- Roy Bushell – Master model maker,
- Art shows with Smart Arts, and Karen Fourie,
- A talk on a wonderful local identity, Jack Venman,
- A trip on the *New Endeavour*,
- The 2011 Heritage Festival, where many museum members and the community dressed in period costume.

The videos, eight in total, have been trimmed down from their original lengths, and the entire screening will be 2 X 1 hour sessions, with an afternoon tea break.

For catering purposes, please book by phoning or emailing the museum. Members are free; Non-members; \$5 entry plus gold coin donation for afternoon tea. Please book online.

Also available from reception:

- Archive Slide Show copies of our recent exhibitions:
- *Sri Lankan Impressions*, *Transience* and *Charcoal and Ash*.
- *'Textile Story with Jan Banks'* - has received many accolades.
- DVD of the Model Railway Group's show



The Australian Ukulele Show

Saturday November 12th at 6.30pm

Experience a wonderful musical journey paying tribute to the people and events that have helped shape the music of Australia. Immerse in the music from Tommy Emmanuel, Banjo Paterson, Yothu Yindi and Troy Casser-Daley to name a few. Free entry to the museum included. Doors open at 5pm. Book at Reception or online at www.redlandmuseum.org.au



Mater Christmas Markets

Wednesday 16th November 5.30pm-9pm - Free Entry

Get a head start on your Christmas shopping! The Mater Hospital Ladies Auxiliary is holding a night market at the museum. Lots of stalls with a wide range of gift ideas available for purchase, including jewellery, photography, fashion, beauty products and much more! Purchase some raffle tickets and win your 'Mantra'. All funds raised will support patient care at Mater Private Hospital Redland.

Annabelle Alexander



Rum Rebellion

An adventurous band of volunteers headed to the Beenleigh Rum Distillery on Wednesday 21 September. The taste test was a highlight with everyone (almost) sampling the six different alcoholic beverages. It was enormous fun watching the non-drinkers step out of their comfort zone and actually buy a couple of bottles. No names though...what happens on bus trips, stays on bus trips! Sorry to all those who missed the fun.

Doug Alexander



Model Train Show



The Fifth Redlands Model Railway Show was held on 27 and 28 August. We had more exhibits than previous years and two new displays by Mick Wise and Cindy Scott. We also sold two layouts to enthusiasts and raffled another.

Our members also enjoyed a social pizza evening after Saturday's exhibition.

We wish to thank all the helpers that assisted in the show, Cleveland State High School Performing Arts Department, who raised money for their overseas trip next year, the Redland Museum who provided free entry, BayFM, ABC, and the Redland City Council for opening our show.

John Burt



Off the Beaten Track -Travels in Thailand

After a lovely introduction by Liz Blumson, guests were treated to a very informative talk about the 'real' Thailand. Trevor Tindall is an experienced traveller, living his adventures within the everyday lives of those areas he has visited, especially influenced by time spent in Papua New Guinea.

Trevor's approach to travel includes studying the local history and language. Conversations in the local language are a great icebreaker, Trevor says, as attempts brings respect, new friends as well as laughter. An interesting link to Australia comes in the name of the racehorse Phar Lap, which actually means 'lightning' in Thai.

The talk was further brightened by the colourful, vibrant photographs of local festivals, markets, horticultural displays, local crafts, fabrics and ornaments. Even the food was colourful and a feast for the senses.

Trevor described fondly his year spent in the Kingdom of Nan, a province in the far north of Thailand near the Laos border. Lots of inquisitive questions followed, guests willing to prolong such an interesting talk. Trevor's travel books are available for purchase at reception.

Tracey Mann



Compliments are Flying High

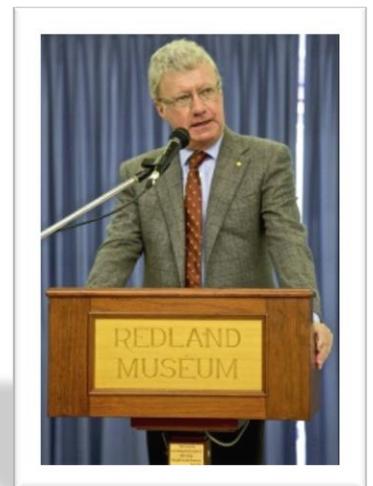
In September this year a friend, QANTAS Flight Attendant Michael Tung Yep, met up with Queensland Governor, Paul de Jersey on, on a flight from Japan to Australia. Michael had attended our exhibition, "Wings Over Redlands" last year and when he mentioned this, the Governor made some very complimentary comments about the exhibition and



added that he was very impressed with the museum, saying it was the best regional museum he has visited. Michael, in turn, was also very impressed with the Governor, whom he found friendly and sociable.

In part because of the nature of his employment, Michael found "Wings Over Redlands" very impressive, too!

Sandra Davis



Caravan, Camping and Boating 4x4 Expo



For the three days of the expo the museum was buzzing with activity. From the steam engine and machinery area, all the way through the main body museum to the kitchen, food selling area and outside to the blacksmiths, volunteers were busy.



Over three thousand people visited the museum during the expo with many coming from the west and northern suburbs of Brisbane. Many spent as much time in the museum as the expo, with lots of compliments about the museum, its volunteers and lovely fresh food. The contribution of fifty five volunteers made the 2016 expo a great



success and gave our visitors a positive experience. *Jan Spinks*

Museum Clippings

Congratulations - Ken Hanson has been nominated for Redlands Volunteering 'Greg Cook Recognition Award'. Other nominees from our museum are Peter Robertson and Barbara Matthews. Winner will be announced at the Volunteering Redlands Expo at the Donald Simpson Centre on Monday 5 December.

Charcoal and Ash Exhibition - This lovely exhibition will close soon. Despite being created from devastation it has a serene atmosphere, so don't miss the opportunity to experience the 'calm'.

Digging up the past - another axe to grind - During some recent excavations at the showgrounds an old axe was extracted from the rubble. On proper identification it appears to have been made in 1680 by a British naval blacksmith in Virginia USA and brought here on a British ship in 1830s or 40s. It was probably used to clear bushland. A replica of the axe has been forged, and Paul Jones (one of our resident Smithys) has donated both to the museum.

Guiding-

Our guides do a great job of showing off our amazing museum to visitors; young, old and everyone in-between.

Comments from a local school include: "It was a fun and amazing excursion. I learnt that old things were useful in the past and (learned) about people who did not have what we have today"

"My favourite part was looking at the Main Street area where I saw how people in the olden days in school write on a slate board. When they were naughty they got the cane."

"I had a fabulous time at the museum. Thank you for a great day"

My favourite..."I learned that the old stuff was useful" - *maybe there is hope for us oldies after all!*

What's on ...

November

- 1st General Meeting 8.30am
- 10th Management Meeting
- 10th Plastic Planet Exhibition commences 
- 12th Australian Ukulele Show
- 16th Mater Hospital "Night at the Museum" Christmas Markets
- 20th Norm J's "Silver Screen" 

December

- 2nd Christmas Party 6pm 
- 5th Volunteering Redlands Expo Donald Simpson Centre
- 6th General Meeting
- 8th Talk - Bill Bridgeford "Cycling the Western Front" 
- 15th Management Meeting

Christmas Gift Ideas



Trevor Tindall Travels

- The Kingdom of Nan
- Bread Buttered in Many Lands
- Tomodachi



Colin Offord

- Book and CD

Jan Acton

- Wildflowers of Wallaby Creek (Sheldon)



James G Lergessner

- Oysterers of Moreton Bay
- Embattled Seacows

Organic Goodness

Tea - www.embraceorganictea.com.au
Honey from Ormiston

Shop Crafts

Handcrafted glassware
Hand knitted toys
Pet rocks
Artist cards

Upcoming Events

REDLAND MUSEUM PRESENTS
The Australian ukulele show
A show not to be missed \$26
Access to Museum included in price. Doors open 5pm
SATURDAY 12th NOV 2016 6.30PM
REDLAND MUSEUM 60 SMITH ST. CLEVELAND, QLD
UP CLOSE & PERSONAL
FEATURED GUESTS:

Mater Private Hospital Redland Auxiliary
Christmas Market
All funds raised from the evening will support patient care at Mater Private Hospital Redland.
Come along and join the Mater Private Hospital Redland Auxiliary for an evening of pre-Christmas shopping.
Date: Wednesday 28 November 2016
Time: 5pm to 9.30pm
Venue: Mater Private
Mater Private is a two night stay in a two bedroom apartment at Mater on Sale at Kingshill.
Parking: Parking is available on Smith Street and also in the car park north of Redland Museum.
Cost: Entry is free and there will be tea and coffee provided with what available for purchase.
There will be a variety of stalls on offer including: bath, jewelry, photography, lingerie, hair services, Doctor's Kitchen (health, balanced, prepared meals), gym, essential oils, Thermonix, Mater Pharmacy, florist and candles.
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