



# Rylstone & District Historical Society

Monthly Newsletter

June, 2015

## Upcoming Events

### Saturday 22nd August, 2015

Annual General Meeting 2pm in BVI Dining Room. General Meeting to follow.(please note date change)

### 4th-11th September, 2015 - History Week "Stitches in Time"

Rylstone Autograph Quilt Exhibition in Rylstone Hall

### 10<sup>th</sup> October 2015 Working Bee at BVI & Museum 9am – 3pm BBQ lunch provided.

### Saturday 7th November, 2015

Stall at StreetFeast 8am - 4pm

### Saturday 21st November, 2015

General Meeting 2pm in BVI, guest speaker to be confirmed,(please note date change).

### Saturday 5th December, 2015

Christmas Party 6pm (still to be confirmed)

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Dear Members,

## AGM and GM date changes

At the May General Meeting members voted and agreed that the Annual General and General Meeting will NOW be held on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2015 commencing at 2pm in the BVI.

Also the November General Meeting will be held on Saturday the 21<sup>st</sup> November 2015 this decision was made to give ALL members a greater opportunity to attend these daylight meetings.

## Succession Planning

At the upcoming Annual General Meeting, several committee positions will be vacated. Nomination forms are available from the Secretary, Debra Bush by ringing 0404 999 092 or by emailing on [rylstonehistory@westnet.com.au](mailto:rylstonehistory@westnet.com.au). Our President & Museum Curator Helen Marsonet and our Vice President Virginia Hollister will not be standing again for the 2015-16 committee. If you would like to discuss what is involved in representing RDHS on the Management Committee please contact Helen or Virginia. *We do not want a repeat of the 2014-15 AGM.*

## Welcome to New Members

A warm welcome to new members Greg Dollin and Margaret Skropeta, we hope you enjoy your association with the society.

## History Week 'Stitches in Time Exhibition' 4th to 11<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2015

Volunteer helpers are needed by Helen on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> September to help set up the exhibition. Do you own a utility or small truck and are you available on the 2<sup>nd</sup> September to collect and move display equipment such as glass cabinets and projector stands into the Rylstone Hall from

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# HAVE YOU RENEWED YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2015-16? IT IS NOW DUE

PLEASE ENSURE YOU  
FORWARD YOUR MEMBERSHIP  
RENEWAL FORM AND ANNUAL  
FEE TO RDHS, PO BOX 66  
RYLSTONE 2849 .

## Cottage Museum

Volunteer Guides are needed

for the Cottage Museum which is open  
each Sunday between 10am and 3pm.

The new roster from the September 6<sup>th</sup> 2015  
is now being prepared.

Training is available contact

Debra on 0404 999 092

## Family & Local History

Join us on the  
first Wednesday of each month  
in the  
BVI Dining Room  
10am - 3pm

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local organizations for the exhibition and then again on the 11<sup>th</sup> September for the pull down and return. Please contact Helen Marsonet on 6379 0772.

Helen showed the committee 1 of the 100 hand made felt brooches resembling a red poppy which will be sold at the exhibition.

### Museum Working Party

The Museum Working Party has completed its work on developing a new Museum Collection Policy and is currently looking into options to increase storage for the museum and provide a multipurpose space for Society and museum activities as well as improving public access to the Society's library and resources.

The MWP sought the advice of local heritage architect, Barbara Hickson and representatives of MWRC in relation to the options listed in the Think Tank recommendations. The construction of a separate building behind the Slab Shed was preferred over closing in the Cottage verandahs. The advice received was useful in providing the requirements of any new structure to ensure it fits in with our heritage site. A full report on the MWP's activities will be provided to the membership at the AGM in August.

### Committee Meeting

At our June committee meeting, the following items were discussed...

- At the May General Meeting it was suggested that the General Meeting minutes be uploaded onto RDHS website for member use with access via a password – *the management committee opposed this suggestion.*
- Approval for the purchase of 10 upholstered timber chairs and the upholstering of 5 existing chairs for the BVI dining room.
- Transfer of \$10,000 into a term deposit account with the CBA for 8 months.
- Sub-committee draft guidelines – recommendations and procedures for consideration by management committee. *To be discussed further at the July Committee Meeting.*
- Future promotional activities at the BVI to have 'meaningful negotiations' for the recoup of utility costs.

If you would like any further information please ask a committee member.