



UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday 29 March, 2014

9am - 3pm Working Bee and BBQ lunch

Thursday 22nd May, 2014

General Meeting 5.30pm in the BVI Dining Room

Sunday 31st May, 2014

Excursion to Capertee Valley

Dear Members,

Welcome to this month's newsletter. We extend a warm welcome to new member, David Warren.

New Meeting Times

It was decided at the last General Meeting that winter meetings would begin at an earlier time. Please note the May and August meetings will begin at 5.30pm.

Stall at the Show

Thank you to those who volunteered their time to man the stall at the Show. We raised \$239 from the sale of merchandise and the raffle.

Working Bee

A working bee will be held on 29th March between 9am and 3pm. Some of the jobs will include: cleaning gutters, verandah railings and windows; repainting toilet floors,

oiling timber work, weeding gardens and cleaning the BVI kitchen fridge. We look forward to fair weather and a good turnout. A BBQ lunch will be provided.

Rylstone Autograph Quilt

This WWI quilt was discussed at the last General meeting and great interest was shown. A list of the names embroidered on the quilt will be emailed to all members of the Society. Printed copies will also be available for anyone who would like to assist in research. If you would like to pass on the list to family and friends, electronic and printed copies are available from the Secretary.

Museum Survey

The Museum Think Tank has prepared a survey to gauge community opinion on the 5 most significant items in the Museum collection and the most important stories the Museum should tell. A survey is attached to this newsletter for your use. The survey is also available online at

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/N87LTHH>

Paper copies will also be available at CRT, Cafe on Louee, Anglicare, Café 47, Gourmet Deli, Westpac, Kandos Post Office and Shine.

Surveys are due back by 30th April.

Committee Update

The Committee discussed the following at its last meeting...

- Thank you to Cafe 47 for their donation of a couch for the apartment.
- A new forward and an index are being prepared for the reprint of *History of Settlement*.
- Buildings & Grounds...
 - Preparations for the Working Bee on 29th March were discussed.
 - Fly-wire doors for the cafe and barbershop have been repaired and upgraded.
 - Termite inspection to be booked.
- Calendar of Events - planning for future events.
- Museum business...
 - Dr. Howe's brass surgery plaque has been donated.
 - A photograph of Margaret Turvey c1850 has also been donated.
- BVI iced cake made for the 50th anniversary last year will be displayed at the Bathurst Show.

Don't Forget!

Working Bee

29th March,

2014 9am - 3pm

BBQ lunch

provided



Rylstone & District Historical Society

Cottage Museum – Survey

The Rylstone and District Historical Society is surveying the community to find out how to make the Cottage Museum more appealing to locals and visitors. All contributions are anonymous.

1. Please list up to 5 items in the Museum collection that are most interesting to you.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

I don't know what's in the museum collection.

2. What are the 3 most important stories our Museum needs to tell? e.g. history of the district, convicts of the area

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

3. Please suggest any ways in which you think the Cottage Museum could be improved.

4. How can we make the Cottage Museum more appealing to locals and visitors?

5. Your postcode please _____

If you have stories or material you would like to share please provide your name and contact details or contact the Society.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Thank You!
Please return
this survey by 30th