



Rylstone & District Historical Society

Monthly Newsletter

October 2014

Upcoming Events

Saturday 18th October, 2014

Excursion to the Capertee Valley

Saturday 25th October, 2014

Working Bee 9am - 3pm BBQ
lunch provided

Saturday 1st November, 2014

RDHS Stall at StreetFeast

Thursday 20th November, 2014

General Meeting 7pm in the BVI
Dining Room followed by a light
supper.

11th December, 2014

General meeting followed by our
Christmas Party. (Date to be
confirmed)

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Detail of the Rylstone Autograph Quilt currently being researched
by members. Photo D. Hatton

Dear Members,
Welcome to the October newsletter. As you can see, the newsletter is in a new and brighter format this month. The aim of our newsletter is to keep members and other interested people informed about the Society's activities.

New Committee

A full committee is now in place. The new committee includes President - Helen Marsonet, Vice President - Eric Williams, Secretary - Debra Bush, Treasurer - Lori Grabham, Ordinary committee members - Virginia Hollister, Shirley Tunncliff and Jeannette McCarthy. The Society would like to sincerely thank Owain James and Fiona MacDonald for their past service to the Society as committee members.

Welcome to new members

A number of new members have joined the Society. A warm welcome to Maralyn Bennett, Adrianna Brown, Judy Channon, Lorraine Endicott, Annabel Combs, Lori Grabham, Robin Johnston, Robert Johnston, Terrence Keech, Justine Lang, Wendy Lewis, Jolieske Lips, Catherine Livingston, John Metcalf, Muriel Nevell-King, Michelle Oldfield, Chris Pavish, Mike Pridmore, Sue Pridmore, Diane Quaife, Mike Quaife, Michael Satterthwaite, Kathy Sutton, Lyn Syme, Shirley Tunncliff, Anne Ward, Kevin Williams, Ed Windle. A special welcome to Student Member Kodie Ward.

Rylstone StreetFeast



We will be having a stall at StreetFeast on 1st November, 2014. The stall is a great opportunity to promote the Society as well as supporting our local community.

Volunteers are required to man the stall so if you can spare a couple of hours, please contact Eric on 6379 0990.

Cottage Museum



Volunteers are needed to open the Cottage Museum on Sundays. Training is available.

Family & Local History

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

A Sad Note

It is with sadness we note the passing of long time Society member, Peter Docker. President Helen says, " Peter was a civil engineer who used his extensive knowledge and skills in a consultative role when RDHS was restoring the Bridge View Inn and the kitchen rooms. He also provided advice in the restoration of church buildings in Rylstone. Peter was a true gentleman and never seemed to tire when he was engaged in a project. He will be greatly missed."

Capertee Excursion

An excursion into the Capertee Valley has been organised for 18th October, 2014. We will visit Glen Alice and Glen Davis and enjoy a picnic lunch at the Cooroongooba recreation area recently established by National Parks. A separate communication with all the relevant information will be emailed/mailed to members separately.

Working Bee

There will be a working bee on Saturday 25th October, 2014 from 9am to 3pm. Jobs will include cleaning the BVI verandah railing; oiling timber screens, cellar doors and possibly the top verandah floor; weeding gardens, tidying the wood pile and compost; cleaning gutters, downpipes and pits and inspecting and cleaning Cottage water tanks.

Even if you're not up to manual labour, we also need people to help prepare lunch and to undertake light jobs. A BBQ lunch, tea and coffee will be provided but a plate of salad or something sweet to share would be appreciated. Please contact Eric on 6379 0990 if you are able to come along.

Committee Meeting

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

- ✦ The Snug and Bar have now been leased. We look forward to a new shop opening up soon.
- ✦ Strategic Plan for 2014-2017
- ✦ Orientation for new committee members
- ✦ Roles & responsibilities of committee members
- ✦ Copies of *Rylstone Area - A History of Settlement* and *A History of Rylstone 1820-1988* have been received from the Staff family. These books will be for sale in the Museum. All proceeds will go to the Society. Our thanks have been conveyed to the Staff family.
- ✦ Initial discussion of Think Tank recommendations for Cottage Museum.

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