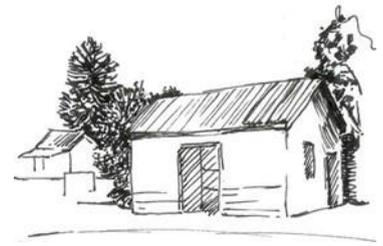


# Bundanoon History Group

## Monthly Newsletter



July 2019

### From the President

Hello everyone,

As I write this in front of the log fire, it's not only good to be back in chilly Bundanoon but also to know we are missing the current European heatwave.

As always there's plenty going on within the BHG and below is a brief update on some of our activities this past month.

### Oral History Morning

... staged this year part as part of Winterfest

This has become a regular fixture in the Group's calendar and was held on Friday 12 July in the Memorial Hall. It was very much Beryl's show, and introduced by Marianne. We had almost 50 attendees, mainly History Group members but one or two others as well. We took \$74 in donations at the door and lucky Christine Janssen won the door prize.

Beryl had done a huge job of selecting and enhancing the recordings, then integrating the photo images with the voices, adding an extra dimension and making the whole thing come alive. Marianne's introductions were perfect and everyone said how much they had enjoyed the occasion.

### Bundanoon Heritage Trail

Great news! You may remember we submitted our DA application to Council back in April to install interpretative heritage signs around the village highlighting what's special within our Conservation Area. The good news is that we have now received Council's formal approval to

proceed. We are now reviewing the signs' content, drafted by Helen. Members too will soon have a chance to a sneak preview before the signs are made.

### Greason's Abattoir, Ellsmore Road

... 15 months ago it was under threat of demolition

Back in 2017, following the death of Mick Greason, the property was sold for development. The combination of the sale and subsequent subdivision of the land by the new owner placed the abattoir under significant threat of demolition.

Consequently, as part of our advocacy role, and because of the historical significance of the abattoir buildings, the BHG requested Council to place the abattoir on an interim Heritage list. The good news is the Council's Heritage Advisor came out to Bundanoon, assessed the structures and advised they should be retained. The outcome of this is that the slaughterhouse is to be repaired and remain in situ on the lot, along with the fire pits area, to be used as decorative elements in a future garden.

There will also be interpretative panels affixed to drystone walls containing a short history of the site. The BHG has offered Council and the Developers to help with these panels which will contain photos, including one of Robert Greason.

In conclusion, an excellent heritage outcome for all, without having to place the Abattoir under a Heritage Order. Thanks to Caroline Cosgrove and Beryl Seckington for their sterling work.

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## The Memorial Hall Trowel

... presented to the BHG at the Bundanoon Hotel

You may have already seen this on Facebook or heard about it on local radio. It was a wonderful surprise, a most generous gift to the History Group and of significance to the whole village.

One of a group of regulars at the Bundanoon Hotel discovered on an auction site the historic silver trowel below.



We welcome them all.

Best wishes,

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The trowel commemorates the setting of the plaque at the Bundanoon Soldiers' Memorial Hall in 1934 and was presented to the Hon J M Dunningham. What a great find and thanks to the generosity of a group of regulars and the owners of the Hotel, the trowel has been returned to Bundanoon. The trowel, still in it's original box was presented to the Bundanoon History Group on 4 July.

Well done and a huge thanks to everyone involved!

As a token of our appreciation, each of the contributors has now been enrolled as a member of the BHG until the end of 2020.

## Coming Events

**Mon 5 Aug 10.30am:** *BHG Monthly Meeting* at the Memorial Hall. Guest speaker Andrew Killingsworth, Sydney Trains who will be talking about *Bundanoon Station 1 year on from the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary renovations.*

**Tue 13 Aug:** *Sutton Forest Churches & cemeteries self-drive tour with Linda Emery.* Meet at St Patrick's Catholic Church at 10am where we will inspect the church and cemetery, followed by morning tea at All Saints Anglican Church and a tour of the church and cemetery. Finish 12.30-1pm

**Mon 26 Aug 4.30pm:** *Committee Meeting* at David's

**Mon 2 Sep 10.30am:** *BHG Monthly Meeting* at the Memorial Hall. Our speaker will be Helen Clark, on the Evolution of the Woodside Estate, Bundanoon.

**Tue-Thu 10-12 Sep:** *Coach trip down the South Coast,* stopping 2 nights at Narooma and visiting numerous places including the Tilba's, Bermagui, Tathra, Merimbula, Eden. The cost of only \$495 (Single supplement \$110) includes travel, accommodation, all meals, our traditional "happy hours" and admission to historic homes and other places of interest. Bookings to Treasurer Graham Morgan please, 4883 7714

**21-22 Sep:** *Camden Park Open Weekend.* Not a formal outing but an opportunity to visit this historic house built in 1835, and gardens.

**Mon 30 Sep:** *Committee meeting.*

**Mon 7 Oct:** *Monthly meeting.*

**Sat 19 Oct:** *BHG BIG Book Sale.*

**Thu 14 Nov:** *Coach trip to Arthur Boyd's Bundanon home and Kiama*