

HISTORY TALK

Saturday 2 July at Vise House at 2:00 pm.

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DIARY DATES

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Saturday 2 July 2022

2:00pm – Vise House

SCHOOL VISIT

20 & 21 July 2022

Sunshine Beach State School

AGM – 10 Sept. 2:00pm

Our guest speaker will be **Simon Whittle OAM** who has had a lifetime in Buderim. Most of us know a little about his interests and involvements...however few know it all. He has offered to put it together in a talk titled *My Fortunate Life*.

This will be a very interesting talk, come along, bring your friends and stay for afternoon tea.



President's Report May 2022

I once again welcome you all to our meeting. I thank the members for their continued efforts in maintaining our collection, providing the upkeep of grounds and buildings and hosting visitors. The wet weather has significantly interrupted our openings to the public. Unfortunately, illness has also been an issue with some of our door guides and, as a result, existing volunteers have stepped up and provided extra support ensuring that our roster commitments are met. I thank our volunteers for their great efforts during these difficult times.

Fingers crossed I am pleased to be able to report that the work done by Doug and John with their silicon guns at the ready has put a temporary stop on the issues with our leaky roof. While there is a temporary stay with this matter, we are still moving forward, all be it slowly, with the ultimate replacement of the roof and gutters on Pioneer Cottage. The BWMCA has provided us with a letter allowing us to act on its behalf which is a requirement from the Department of Environment and Science before an exemption certificate can be issued. Our volunteer maintenance men have been carrying out excellent work around the

grounds. Doug's masterpiece with the pavers at the back of the cottage makes a great connection with the rear entry to the cottage and the ramp for our disabled visitors. The rear gate has also been swung from the opposite post so that the new pathway is easily accessed without becoming entangled in the garden shrubs. Well done all concerned.

I am pleased to be able to report a small group of the committee was able to attend the Buderim Volunteer Awards for 2022 on Tuesday 17 May. The individual award was won by our one and only Lorraine Buhk OAM. All of us are well aware of the contribution that Lorraine makes to BHS, whether working in the gardens, cottage or on committees, Lorraine is a force to be reckoned with. The second nomination received from BHS was for the group award which was applied for on behalf of the 21 volunteers who fill our roster

positions over a monthly cycle. While we did not win this award, we did receive an excellent mounted certificate to recognize the valuable contribution that all our volunteers make to BHS.

Group visits have returned to Pioneer Cottage and the two visits that have taken place this month were very positive. A year one/two class from Buddina State School with five supervising adults enjoyed the delights of the cottage. The teacher thanked us for the resources that we supplied prior to their visit and I thanked her for the preparation that she had done with the students before attending. The teacher and helping parents were very pleased with the quality of our guides and their interaction with the students. A gardening group visited Pioneer Cottage in the late afternoon on the 16 May. The visitors thoroughly enjoyed visiting the gardens and then visiting the indoor wonders of the cottage. The two visiting groups loved their visits which was all made special by the quality of our resident guides. We look to further growth in this area of our operations.

I attended the Management Meeting of the BWMCA on 10 May. Points of interest that we received included the notification that the Buderim Foundation would be moving into the Old Post Office once the renovation was completed (mid-June). There are some ramifications for BHS and this will become clearer when our discussions with BWMCA are complete. These matters will be discussed at our meeting with Errol (President BWMCA) and Steve (Vice-President BWMCA) which will take place with Margaret, Ruth and myself next Monday, 30 May.

Jarrad McCarthy, Principal Licensee at Harcourts Buderim is continuing to develop his office mural in his new building. I have met with Jarrad again and I have supplied him with a copy of Bill Lavarack's thoroughly prepared Buderim Timeline. I am currently enlisting the help of Janet and Geoff Baker to help provide photographic images that would support timeline being worked upon.

The 'new chums' on the block, when it comes to grants, Margaret and Kevin, have broken their teeth on the acquittal process of the Art Nuvo restoration project. The acquittal process has been submitted and awaits Heritage Department approval. As a final action in the process, Ross Eason came and photographed the ten hangings and Jess will now use the images to enhance the eHive listings of each of the items in our collection.

Jess, our Curator, will be leaving us in September when she leaves us to take up residence in Sydney where her family are all located. This move will certainly make life a little easier for her as her children will be near to offer her support with the care of her husband Stan who has significant health conditions. We shall miss Jess' contribution that she makes caring for the items in our collection. She is training and supporting the curatorial team members who will continue the work needed to care for our vast collection.

Prue's jams and marmalades have once again been replenished with some three cartons of them arriving last week. I thank Prue for the wonderful work that she does in providing these popular preserves for sale to people who visit the cottage. It is activities like this that help support financially the running of the cottage.

AN EVENING IN THE MUSEUM - Wine and Cheese Night by Jenny Christensen

On Saturday, 28 May 2022, an idea I had approximately twelve months earlier came to fruition on the verandah of Pioneer Cottage, Buderim. A chance meeting with a delightful local lady, who had popped in 'just to have a look at our beautiful garden' and who ended up staying to talk about the Cottage, gave me the encouragement, along with other members of BHS, to set my idea in motion.





After a bumpy start due to the postponement of the original date because of very bad weather, and the subsequent loss of some very disappointed guests who were then unable to attend, the Night got under way. The Cottage was dressed in lights, and the guests were treated to a lovely sunset, while sipping wine and nibbling cheese on the verandah. Then, with everyone dressed in black and armed with torches, they filed into the darkened candlelit Cottage with Ruth in the lead, and the sounds of laughter echoed throughout the Cottage and into the night. A great time was had by everyone.

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I thank Jenny on behalf of all our members for bringing to life this concept. Jenny was responsible for the ticket sales, catering, and the general organization. We are fortunate to have Jenny as an active volunteer at BHS. Her enthusiasm and love of the cottage are much appreciated and admired.
..... Kevin Briggs

BUDERIM VOLUNTEER AWARDS 2022

by Kevin Briggs

A small group of BHS members attended the Buderim Volunteer Awards which was jointly sponsored by Brent Mickelberg, Member for Buderim, and the BWMCA. The presentation of awards was at the Bloomhill café. The first presentation was for the nominated outstanding Volunteer Group Award for the Buderim community. The winner for this category was the Buderim Foundation. This group was recognized for the wonderful support that they offer across the entire Buderim community. Our team of volunteers at BHS, all 21 of them, was nominated for the outstanding work that they do manning the door as guides and helping to maintain the Pioneer Cottage collection. While we were not the winners we did receive a certificate recognising that we were a nominee for the Volunteer Group of the Year Award.



The other category for the Buderim Volunteer Awards was that of the individual Volunteer of the Year. I am pleased to be able to report that our very own **Lorraine Buhk OAM** was chosen as the Buderim Volunteer of the Year for 2022. To those of you who know Lorraine you would be well aware of all that she does for Buderim Historical Society. Lorraine volunteers all day as a guide on Tuesdays and is team leader with our garden beds. She is also very active with a cleaning cloth and her organizational skills with the Social Fundraising Group. Lorraine stood tall when it came time to select Buderim's Volunteer of the Year for 2022.

Annual General Meeting
Saturday 10 September at 2:00pm



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