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NEWSLETTER

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From the President's Desk



My brother is one of that often-misunderstood breed, a collector. Our parents were both bus conductors/fare collectors during the 1950s and 60s for a small outfit called Wheeldons in

Staffordshire, UK, whose bus livery was a dark green. For most of us, a bus is what we use when we don't have access to a car. For my little brother a bus, particularly a green one from the previous century, is something to be revered. He has amassed a collection of over a thousand black and white photos of green buses. He has recently been entertaining the idea of sharing a selection of these treasures in a self-published book which would also include a pocket history of each of his chosen few.

A book focusing on old faithfuls would be an interesting venture, for how often do we actually consider the buses we maybe grew up with during our early years in the Highlands? Buses really are the Cinderellas of public transport down here. Railways companies have an air of the charismatic about them whereas a bus company will disappear from our streets unnoticed except by their most frequent users.

According to AI, Sydney Burnett operated the initial Moss Vale to Bundanoon bus run from his Four Ways Garage. He sold out to Charlie Parker in 1952 and Fred Lynam bought the little operation in 1959.

Understandably it was only in the 1960s when demand was there that the larger bus companies began to muscle in and operate out of dedicated depots to link up our scattering of towns and villages.

It would probably surprise no one that not-for-profit Southern Highlands Community transport is the most appreciated bus service around in the local district.

So, what do we have on our destination board at the front of our favourite newsletter this month? We have booking details for a place at our Christmas lunch on Thursday 11 December at Exeter Village Hall on page 2.

Next stop is yet another invitation, this time to our Society's AGM with the prospect of being entertained by films with a local history connection and the much applauded ABC Four Corners programme, Bradstow. I am particularly looking forward to that as I had not even heard of Bradstow. Where next? Oh, there are lots of stops for you to enjoy during the next section of our journey starting with Linda Emery's Archives Annual Report on page 3, then John Schweers' Museum Annual Report the next one, followed by the other reports to enjoy in comfort.

Then, before you reach the terminus, on page 7 you have Books for Sale to Members so you can load up with reading in preparation for that next bus journey.

You may enjoy the photo of a locomotive on page 2. No picture of a bus anywhere you notice.

Stuart Handley

GENERAL MONTHLY MEETINGS 2025

NOVEMBER 2025: Thursday 27 November at 2:00pm, Civic Centre, Moss Vale
BDH&FHS Annual General Meeting plus films, popcorn and ice-cream
AFTERNOON TEA is served following the meeting and films

DECEMBER 2025: Thursday 11 December at 12:00 for 12:30pm
Our Christmas Luncheon at Exeter Village Hall – see details next page



Moore Memorable Musings



WASHING DAY BLUES

After discussing our washing day experiences with a couple of my male colleagues, we have all come to the same conclusion and that was: "I'm trying my darnedest to get the sack!"

A few of us fellas meet for coffee every week and we were concerned when one of the group who was always a stickler for promptness was running unusually half an hour late. He gave us the reason behind his lateness.

'I was kept in!', he grimly stated with head bowed. 'Because of the washing,' he added.

We all looked surprised when he followed up with, 'I pegged them out the wrong way.'

Now us blokes who have retired after years away from routine domestic duties, have no clue as to the etiquette of laundry days. I feel it's only proper to help with the pegging of heavy sheets seeing I'm home most days. My bride, over the years, must have hung out tens of thousands pairs of knickers, ranging in size from tiny to "oh, my gosh, these must belong to a sumo wrestler!"

A friend of mine was telling me that his wife won't let him near the clothesline now as he drops too many items on the ground and they have to be washed again.

There is a certain way of hanging socks, separately I'm told, and that the elastic tops should not be pegged. The same goes for any garment that tends to stretch, like t-shirts.

I've been guilty of draping a sheet over the line without any pegs. Das ist verboten! What was I thinking? I was thinking it was a still, sunny morning and by draping a sheet carefully over the line, it would dry in no time flat.

Unfortunately, the wind suddenly increased to gale force and the sheet billowed beautifully over the fence and was seen firmly impaled on the top of next door's lemon tree!

Bummer, still I haven't got the sack!

Bruce Moore

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Our **Family History Group** meets on the first Wednesday each month, at 1pm. Convenor: Denise Mackey.

The Society's **DNA Interest Group** meets at the archives on the third Thursday each month at 1pm. Convenor: Robyne McKinnon

NOTICE

2025 Annual General Meeting

The AGM of the BDH&FHS will be on Thursday 27 November at 2pm along with a monthly meeting, in Civic Centre Theatrette Moss Vale.

Our Christmas Luncheon

**Thursday 11 December 2025
at 12:00 for 12:30pm**



EXETER VILLAGE HALL

Luncheon will be a cold buffet of ham, chicken

and salads, followed by desserts, tea and coffee. Feel free to BYO alcohol.

There will be lucky door prizes, raffle and a trivia quiz conducted by Linda Emery. Cost is **\$40** per person.

**If you wish to attend, please let us know at the archives so we can add the names to our list. You then need to pay in person, by credit card or by funds transfer to our account:
BSB 633 000 Acct No 200107100
Bendigo Bank (surname as ref).
Booking/payment by 2 December.**



BERRIMA DISTRICT MUSEUM

1a Marketplace cnr Bryan St, Berrima

OPEN: FRIDAY to SUNDAY

10.00am to 3.00pm

throughout the year including school and public holiday periods. Closed Christmas Eve, Christmas Day.

Groups welcome at other times by arrangement. Ph John 0434 623 402

Museum: Phone 4877 1130 or email bdmuseum@bigpond.com

Managed and operated by members of our Society who volunteer their time and expertise.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Renewals were due 1 October

A Renewal Form was provided with the September newsletter and is also available on request from the BDHS archives.

Special RAHS event with Trove

The Royal Australian Historical Society is not holding an annual conference this year. Instead, it hosted its first hybrid seminar on 11 November, for attendance in person at History House or online at a discounted rate.

Collections and Community: Trove and NSW Historical Societies was presented in partnership with the National Library of Australia and focused on how affiliated societies can make their collections more discoverable through Trove. More information about the seminar is provided on the RAHS website



Mathew Cockburn and his 'new' P class locomotive No.518, at Armidale, 1892. Photo provided by Frank Mitchell with credit to Andrew Callander of "Cockburn Family Tree" in Ancestry. Mathew later became a publican at the Railway Hotel, Glen Innes, c1895. See Research Officer's Annual Report on page 5.

Our AGM plus film screening

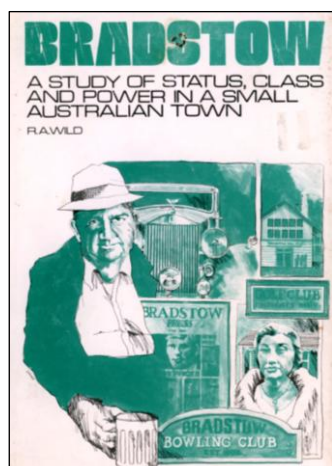
Our Society's Annual General Meeting will be held in the Moss Vale Civic Centre Theatrette at 2:00pm on Thursday 27 November. Along with the annual election of executive positions and announcement of appointed positions, minor changes made to the BDHS Constitution will be explained at the meeting.

After the formalities there will then be a showing, for the entertainment of attendees, of some films with a local history connection. There will be a screening of the 32-minute ABC Four Corners program, first aired in 1974, about Bowral personalities and the then just published book *Bradstow: a study of status, class and power in a small Australian town* by Dr R A Wild.

The ABC Four Corners program traces the history of Bowral – its character, economic structure and social divisions, and was produced as a result of widespread interest aroused by Dr Wild's book. Bradstow was a disguised name for the Southern Highland's town.

Written after two years of participant observation, the book is described by Dr Wild as a factual account of everyday relations between people and groups. Its release aroused major controversy locally because, although names and places were changed to provide anonymity, many Bowral residents knew the book was based on their town and their lives and it was not that difficult to ascertain who some of the key figures were.

Come along and enjoy seeing a few familiar faces from the past, along with popcorn and ice-cream!



As I write this report, we are in the throes of moving into our new abode which is a very light, welcoming space. The move has been a huge undertaking, and our wonderful volunteers have worked very hard to make it happen. I have nothing but praise for Council staff and Councillors who have made us welcome and are giving us tremendous support. It will take us time to tweak the space but I have no doubt the decision to permanently relocate to Moss Vale was the correct one.

We have had some interesting acquisitions during the year, including two wooden photo frames carved by a German internee in 1916.

The most recent acquisition was a bundle of photos, letters and documents recovered from the tip at Moss Vale by an eagle-eyed historian, Judith Dunn who recognised their worth. The papers belonged to Jim Shepherd, the editor of the Moss Vale Post, later the Berrima District Post, and contain some wonderful local photographs and letters from Jim and his cousin from World War I. Jim died in 1986, so where the material has been for the last 40 years – who knows! What a shame that material like this can end up being dumped rather than being offered to a relevant organisation.

Our volunteers are undertaking a variety of projects. Denyse Barker is busy scanning a box of negatives that we discovered while packing up to move, which contain quite a few images we have not seen before. Our digitising team of Diane McAllery and Denice Welch have been hard at work again this year and have completed digitising our building files. Shylie Brown has finished scanning and cataloguing streetscapes in the major towns of the highlands taken in the 1980s and 1990s. It is amazing how much change has taken place in the intervening years. Kathy Cupitt and Sandy McKenzie have both completed indexing projects that will be added to our website as searchable research aids and Sharon Lamont has done excellent research on the origin of the street names of Bowral which we will hopefully have ready for publication early in 2026.

The most important part of my report is to thank all the volunteers who come in on Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays. We have a regular team of more than 20 members who all do valuable work to keep the society running smoothly.

We have gained several new volunteers this year and we are very happy to know that our archives continue to attract those interested in helping to preserve the history and heritage of the Southern Highlands.

Archives Annual Report

Linda Emery

This year has been a momentous one for our archives. The challenge of moving to new premises on a temporary basis while the Mittagong building was being renovated has been superseded by the subsequent offer from Wingecarribee Shire Council of 'permanent residency' in the Civic Centre in Moss Vale. Although not as large as the space we had at Mittagong, it is more workable and offers many advantages that will see us well set up for the future.

Museum Annual Report

John Schweers

The end of the Society's financial year provides me with the opportunity to review and report on the Society's Museum. This year we hosted 1901 adult visitors to the museum generating an income of \$15,501 with a net profit of \$1,365. This year we have gained some new volunteers which has been of great help in the day to day running of our museum.

Next year we will be celebrating the 50th year of the museum's present location in Berrima. The Museum Sub-committee has already begun planning events to celebrate this significant milestone.

Our roster and meeting volunteer, Venessa Dalglish, has done a great job in maintaining the roster and record keeping for the year. The Accessioning team on Thursdays headed by Lyn Hall is working hard to keep all donation records up to date. The setting up of a Facebook editor by the Management Committee has helped spread news about museum activities. I thank the Society's Management Committee and the Museum Sub-committee and volunteers for all their contributions this year.

BDHS President Annual Report

Stuart Handley

The most appropriate place to begin this review of the past twelve months is right here, in the currently unnamed space within the Civic Centre. Situated to the left of the main entrance and at the end of a short corridor, this location marks a significant new chapter for our Society.

Our journey to this new location began in March, when the Council kindly offered us accommodation while the Mittagong Memorial Hall/Playhouse underwent renovations. After thorough negotiations, our Management Committee made one of the most consequential decisions in our Society's sixty-five-year history. Thanks to the remarkable commitment of our volunteers, we now find ourselves comfortably settled within the Council's premises, with only about eighty boxes of archive research material left to unpack and organise in their new home.

As I sit at one of our research desks, with sunlight streaming through the northeast-facing windows, I am reminded of the immense efforts required from our volunteers throughout this relocation process.

Every piece of furniture was carefully labelled before being loaded onto five separate trucks for the short journey to our new residence. Packing and moving hundreds of boxes of newspapers, which serve as invaluable resources for researchers, was a major

undertaking. The process was time-consuming and for many long-serving members, emotionally challenging. Our Mittagong headquarters had become a second home for those who have dedicated over a decade to the Society.

Despite the upheaval, I have been so impressed by the unwavering dedication of our volunteers who ensured that business continued as usual. Linda consistently found time to assist visitors with family history or research into their new homes, all while overseeing the complex relocation of our extensive archive. Denyse and Shylie remained steadfast in their mission to upload and catalogue every locally significant old photograph, undeterred by the surrounding commotion.

Diane and Denice continued to make numerous valuable newspaper cuttings available to the public through our online platform, while Sandy and Kathy maintained their focus on transferring historical data from paper to digital storage. In the midst of chaos, our digitisation team worked tirelessly to keep the history of our Shire accessible to all.

Jenny and Alan, our skilled microfiche readers, faced disruptions as the equipment was only intermittently available. Meanwhile, Ian managed several practical aspects of the move and Carolyn, our dedicated librarian, oversaw the relocation of our entire reference collection twice within just a few weeks. The result is an open-plan library that now welcomes and attracts visitors. Well worth your efforts Carolyn.

Business continued for Denise and our Family History Group, who appreciated the upgraded venue for their monthly meetings in the Civic Centre theatre. Robyne and the DNA Group also benefited from the improved technological resources for their research.

To add an unwanted problem to the mix our website platform encountered significant issues, resulting in a frustrating drop in e-sales for our publications officer, Jenny Frost. Thankfully, Anne, our webmistress, stepped in and worked wonders to restore our online presence and sales capabilities.

I have had the pleasure of regularly meeting with our Museum Sub-committee to share in the challenges and joys of running an award-winning regional museum. Connie and Bud impressed us all with the *Egyptian Gardens in the Southern Highlands* exhibition. Administrative responsibilities were faithfully managed by Vanessa, John, and Michelle, while Sylvia exemplified the loyalty of our museum's meet-and-greet staff, who generously donated their weekends to ensure visitors can fully experience our beloved Berrima museum. The collections continue to be overseen by Lyn and our team of dedicated accessionists.

Assistant Treasurer Steve held the fort while, in addition to their regular duties, our Treasurer

Rhonda and Secretary Patricia engaged in a health check of our Society's governance with Jenny Morison, a highly experienced and respected accounting consultant.

Researchers Frank and Janet each stepped up to prepare and present to our September and October general meetings respectively, and you now know all this thanks to Philip for studiously avoiding all distractions to keep to his newsletter deadlines.

Thank you to everyone for your unwavering commitment over the past year. Our volunteers are truly the heart of our Society, and your efforts continue to illuminate the lives of those who seek our guidance in exploring local history.

Treasurer's Annual Report

Rhonda Brown

I am pleased to present the Society's Annual Financial Statement for the year ending 30 September 2025. The Financial Statement will be available at the AGM. The Society has had another good year. There were some additional one-off expenses incurred by the move. Our main income sources are membership fees, Museum entry fees, research fees, and sale of books and photos together with generous donations.

At our request, Jenny Morison AM FCA AIM, an independent Chartered Accountant, undertook a health check of Governance and the Society's 2023-2024 financial statements and presented the outcomes to the October Management Committee.

While the overall result was very favourable, several issues were raised and recommendations proposed which are in the process of being implemented.

Publication Officer's Annual Report

Jenny Frost

We continue to sell our quality range of publications relating to the history of the Southern Highlands with over 60 titles across many subjects. I am pleased to report that book sales continue to contribute to the financial income and objectives of our Society, with sales this year generating \$5,085.00. While this is slightly down on last year, it is a good achievement considering all the upheaval of relocation.

Thanks to the dedication and enthusiasm of our volunteer members, we have been able to participate in several local community events by running a book stall promoting the sale of books and the Society in general. I would also like to thank our webmistress Anne Wood for setting up the new Square online shop and especially Melissa Coorie, a new member, who has been of invaluable assistance to me.

Research Officer's Report

Frank Mitchell

Another satisfying year has elapsed where our indefatigable 'Research Team' sought those elusive answers from public inquiry by email, letter mail, telephone and verbal requests on site. We have done our utmost to satisfy our customers, most of whom seem overjoyed and some that we never hear from again! But never has a complaint been received, well not to our team's ears at least it appears!

An extensive inquiry and request came from the Heritage Consultants advising the Contracting/Construction Company 'Degman' on the Moss Vale Rail Yard upgrade to provide additional storage sidings for local trains.

Several new and existing members now know just exactly where and what their Ancestor Railway people did in the early 20th Century, including the one in the photograph shown on page 2. They also know if they had a good or not-so-good employment history, and whether or not they joined the 'Great Railway Strike' in 1917, the 'Lilywhites vs Loyalists', and what a battle that turned out to be, leaving bitter scars and memories for decades post the strike.

A query about a very early land holding in the impenetrable Robertson-Yarrowa Scrub on the Illawarra escarpment was resolved by using our recent and fabulously found 'Rare map' of 1866; published by the *Office of the Surveyor General, Sydney, September 1866*. You too may consult this map on-line at: <http://nla.gov.au/nla.obj-231594706> It may also be found by searching Trove maps by Tag 'County of Camden' or 'Braddock and Baly'.

I am pleased to report that at least two of our members can now see their Trovelling Text Corrections in the 'Trove Hall of Fame': well done Robyne McK and Alan J. Are there any others out there 'Text Correcting' in Trove?

Conservation Officer's Annual Report

Denise Mackey

It has been a year of change, challenges, disruption but also new directions. Upon notification by Wingecarribee Shire Council that the Society would no longer occupy its current premises in Mittagong to be relocated in the Civic Centre in Moss Vale, the enormous task of packing the large amount of conservation items began. After transportation, the job of unpacking started. When all was completed, word was received of another relocation to a different section in the Civic Centre. So began another round of packing and moving. Fortunately,

our much-prized grandfather clock required only one relocation. Our clock specialist, Peter Donnan, carefully disassembled and serviced the mechanism before re-assembling our beloved time piece in the atrium at the Civic Centre.

Other tasks undertaken included cleaning, repair, framing, labelling and storage of photos, documents, maps and artwork. The team looks forward to the new year in our new location. My thanks to the volunteers who have willingly given assistance during the year with special mention of my appreciation to Sharon Lamont for her unceasing enthusiasm and significant contributions.

Librarian's Annual Report

Carolyn Dougherty

Since last year's Library Report much has happened. With a move to Moss Vale imminent and with the prospect of reduced space we sold those books surplus to our needs and held in 'stack'. Our first move was undertaken by removalist Chris who packed all books in boxes for us to unpack at the Moss Vale end. Shelving had to be re-erected and re-adjusted. My thanks go to those volunteers who helped over the days it took to complete this task.

Then Council offered us another space within the Civic Centre and so a few months after the first relocation we were on the move again. Not far, just across the corridor. Easy – NOT!! All books had to be removed to the new room, placed on tables and on the floor, then shelves were re-erected once again, followed by the tedious task of placing all books back on the shelves yet again. I was extremely grateful to the volunteers who assisted.

Another step forward this year has been the placing of our library catalogue, entered in alphabetical title order, on our website. I urge all members to support our efforts by visiting our library to view and use our valuable collection held in the Max Rogers library.

Family History Group Annual Report

Denise Mackey

On the first Wednesday of each month an informal self-help group of enthusiastic family historians gather for an engaging Family History Group meeting. This year the number attending the get togethers averaged 18. During the year there has been an interesting and varied program including group discussions along specific themes and presentations by individuals. What is always assured is lively dialogue. Attacking brick walls, sharing discoveries and successes; methods and systems of recording family history; wartime stories of forebears; writing a

family history or memoir; travelling in Trove; the group project "Emigration of Forebears"; events in Irish history that influenced emigration and a visit to the State Archives following the popularity of last year's visit, were some of the activities.

A sincere thank you to all our presenters for their thought-provoking expositions and for generously sharing their knowledge and expertise.

Any member is welcome to join the Family History Group. The last meeting for 2025 is Wednesday 3 December at 1 pm in the theatre at the Civic Centre, Moss Vale. The first meeting for 2026 is Wednesday 4 February at 1 pm also in the theatre.

DNA Group Annual Report

Robyne McKinnon

Our DNA Group started in June 2024 with 6 members and has steadily grown in numbers. We are all still learning and open to new ideas. We happily share our collective knowledge and try to assist each other with technology, programs, tools and resources. We have fun and take pleasure in each other's progress.

Since September our meetings have been held in the Theatre and we have taken advantage of the technology and "the big screen" to share new tools, recommend and watch YouTube clips, collate and display our shared projects. We are a small but enthusiastic group and we have made lots of discoveries and connections. Society members are welcome to join our group, we meet at 1pm on the 3rd Thursday of the month. Looking forward to more successes on our DNA journeys in 2026.

Dennis McManus' Heritage update

A Public Exhibition of a Planning Proposal to implement the Community Heritage Study, outlined in last month's newsletter, will run from 22 October to 30 November.

Background information and a link to the exhibition page on the NSW Planning Portal are on Wingecarribee Shire Council's website, under Community Heritage Study.

It is hoped that as many as possible support this Proposal as well as actions 2 and 3 suggested below:

- 1. Support the recommended listings in the proposal.**
- 2. Support the earliest possible heritage processing of 15 deferred items, 9 deferred conservation areas and 20 newly nominated items.**
- 3. Call for the early re-establishment of a positive heritage management in the Shire – currently there is no heritage advisory committee, no dedicated heritage officer or free heritage advisory service to assist owners and DA applicants, no heritage local grants and no heritage local awards program.**

Submissions must be received on or before **30 November 2025** and can be lodged on the Portal or directly to Council.

Yet more books for sale to members

Once again, our Librarian has been busy culling books from the Society's collection that are surplus to requirements. To grab yourself a bargain, best be quick and email us at bdhsarchives@gmail.com or phone the archives on 4872 2169.

BOOKS FOR SALE NOVEMBER 2025

A History of the Berrima District 1798-1961 by James Jervis. Hard cover. Published 1962. **\$5.00**

A History of the Berrima District 1798-1973 by James Jervis. Revised edition published 1973. 2 copies. Hard cover. **\$5.00 each**

A Land Half Won by Geoffrey Blainey. Revised edition published 1982. Hard cover **\$2.00**

Above Queensland by John O'Connor. Text: Graham Beith, Photography: Leo Meier. Published 1986. Hard cover with dust jacket. **\$3.00**

Australia's Yesterdays: The illustrated story of how we lived, worked and played. A Reader's Digest publication. Third edition published 2000. Hard cover. **\$5.00**

Beautiful Bowral: A Pictorial Celebration by Leah Day. Published in 1997. Hard cover. **\$5.00**

Bowral YWCA 1888 – 1988: A Journey of a Thousand Miles by S.M. Murley. Published 1988. **\$3.00**

Celebrating 50 years, Colo Vale. A Short History of the Village & Surrounding Properties compiled by Jeanette Schofield. Published 2000. **\$3.00**

Early Industries in the Mittagong District by R. Else-Mitchell. Published 1981. **\$2.00**

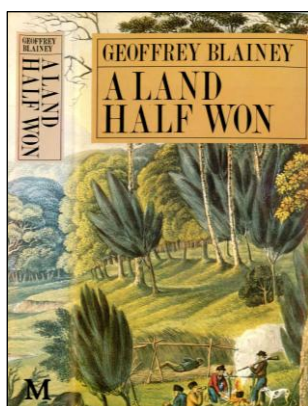
Exploring Exeter by Linda Emery. Published 1998. 4 copies. **\$2.00 each**

Fifty Years at Frensham: A History of an Australian School by Esther Tuckey. Published 1963 by Winifred West Schools, Mittagong. Hard cover. **\$5.00**

From Jordan's Crossing to Bundanoon: The Growth of a Highland Village. Published by Bundanoon History Group 1990. **\$5.00**

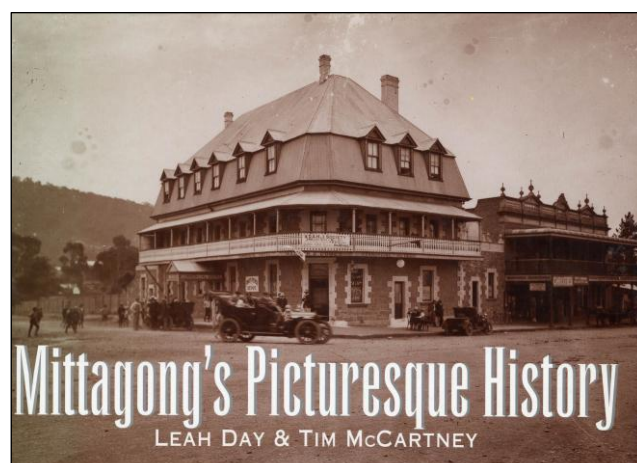
From the Hawkesbury to the Monaro: The Story of the Badgery Family by Bobbie Hardy. Published 1989. Hard cover. **\$10.00**

Gardens of the Southern Highlands NSW 1828-1988 by Jane Cavanough et al. Published by The Australian Garden Journal. 2 copies at **\$3.00 each**



Marulan: A Unique Heritage by Maureen Eddy. Published 1985. **\$3.00**

Mittagong's Picturesque History by Leah Day & Tim McCartney, published 1996. Hard cover. **\$10.00**



Pioneers on Parade by Miles Franklin and Dymphna Cusack. Illustrated edition published 1988. Hard cover. **\$2.00**

Some Southern Homes of the Southern Highlands of New South Wales by G. Nesta Griffith. Facsimile ed. Published 1976. 2 copies. **\$5.00 each**

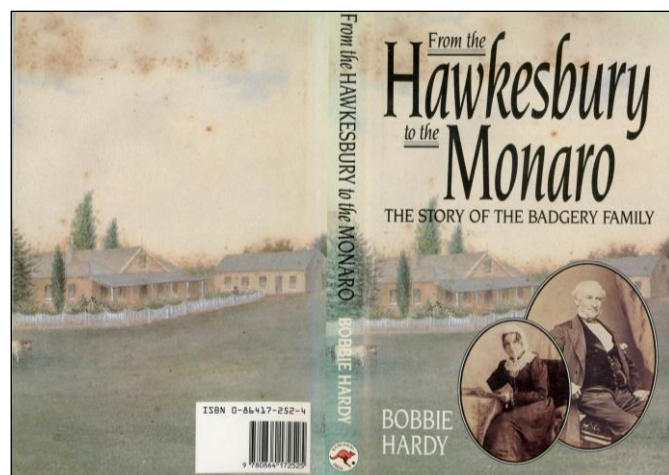
The History of Ironmaking in Australia 1948-1914 by JLN Southern et al. Published 1986. Hard cover. **\$5.00**

This House of God. The Centenary Brochure of St. John's, Largs 1843-1943 by Rev. John L. Riach, B.D. plus *Fifty Years On ... 1943-1993*. Published 1993. **\$2.00**

The Letters of Rachel Henning edited by David Adams with Forward by Norman Lindsay. Published 1969. **\$2.00**

The Mittagong to Joadja Railway. Booklet – condensed from *The Shale Railways of NSW* by G.H. Eardley & E.S. Stephens. Published by the Australian Railway Historical Society, 1996. **\$2.00**

The Winds of Change: A History of Robertson A. & H. Society and Agriculture of its District. Edited by Ian S. Giles. Published 1979 by Robertson A. & H. Society. **\$2.00**



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AT PRESENT, OPEN: 10.00am to 3.00pm, Fridays to Sundays.
This includes during school and public holiday periods.

MEMBERSHIP: Any person wanting to join the Society may do so at any stage during the year by completing a form and paying the appropriate fee. Joining Fee \$10.00 – Single \$25.00 – Family \$35.00.

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