

Heritage For All Ages

The newsletter of the
**Tea Tree Gully
Heritage Museum**



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CHOCOLATE COATED HISTORY

Wed 17th to Sun 21st May, 2017
10am-2pm daily



**A chocolate adventure
like no other**

This display is a must see, every room depicting all things chocolate.

See the historical timeline, weird and wonderful facts and enjoy many fun activities.

Excite the senses of sight, sound, touch, smell and – especially – taste.

Enjoy the “Chocolate Bar” buffet. Gift Shop is stocked with unique craft

Entry: Adults \$5, Conc \$4, Children Free



Tea Tree Gully Heritage Museum
 Managed and maintained by volunteers
 National Trust of SA - Tea Tree Gully Branch
www.ttgmuseum.on.net



ACCREDITED MUSEUM in the Community Museums Program of History SA

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CALENDAR

17-21	May	Chocolate Coated History	p. 1
Sun	18 Jun	Heritage on Sunday – Miniature Magic	p. 8
12-16	July	(school hols) Time Travel back to 1917	
Tues	8 Aug	Annual General Meeting	
Sun	20 Aug	Heritage on Sunday – All Bottled Up	

Heritage on Sunday - third Sunday of the month 1:00 – 4:00 pm
 (except Dec and Jan)

Heritage on Sunday - Nov 2016 - A musical interlude



On a lovely sunny day, 54 visitors took the opportunity to relax in the Museum gardens and be entertained by local musicians.



Christmas High Tea – December 2016

In the busy lead up to Christmas, 123 visitors (over four sessions) joined with their friends in a refined High Tea at the Museum.



Heritage on Sunday - February 2017 - Dr Marvell

Dr Marvel (Alan Starks) gave his 'quacks and quackery' presentation to a crowded main meeting room.

With 54 visitors, he had to repeat the presentation for the overflow!



Heritage on Sunday - March - Strawberry Fair

A massive 555 visitors turned up for this event. Museum volunteers in all areas were run off their feet and more food had to be brought in.

One of the busiest was Mary Jo Zwar, in the sun running children's games, with the highlight being a strawberry piñata.



Heritage on Sunday - April – Anzac Bites

Over 100 people visited, with time and space to reflect on the ANZACS and the sacrifice of other service personnel.

A range of memorabilia, military models and miniatures were presented. A highlight was local artist Barry Spicer's paintings covering WWI to Afghanistan.

Graham Bridgland, of Porky's Militaria, set up a wide and comprehensive display of military memorabilia on the rear lawns, along with various defence uniforms displayed through the main building.



[Barry Spicer Inspired Art www.barryspicer.com]



Porky's Militaria
"Lest we Forget"
 Australia's Involvement in the Vietnam War
Public Displays & School Visits.

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 Don't let our history end up at the Dump

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The Anzac biscuit bake-off was contested - thank you to our judges, Emma and Dinabee, from the CWA.



Vale – Jamie Shephard

Long term member Reginald James (Jamie) Shephard passed away peacefully at the Mary Potter Hospice on 27 December 2016 - aged 79 years. A number of members attended his funeral on 10 January.

Jamie was a member of the National Trust and an enthusiastic volunteer in the Tea Tree Gully Branch. He was a great contributor to the Museum ... an enthusiastic and knowledgeable guide to the general public and to school children. He was a gentle man who showed interest in all he met and made them feel special. He was always looking for ways to contribute – from donating to special projects to hosting our end of year get-togethers at his home.



Jamie will be missed personally by many and his presence will be missed at the Museum, along with many other organisations.

Volunteer Survey

Thank you to those who responded to our Volunteer Survey in Feb/March. All respondents rated their volunteering experience as 'excellent' or 'good'. Unfortunately, virtually all did not want to help out more and did not know others who may be interested.

There was a wide range of ideas to make things better for volunteers, to conduct new events and to improve the site. The Management Committee will work through these.

Respondents were in favour of an identifiable garment and willing to pay for it themselves. Subsequently a maroon garment with white text naming the Museum on the left breast has been selected. The price is being partially subsidised, leaving volunteers to pay \$20 for the polo shirt and \$36 for the jacket.

Kitchen upgrade

Plans are underway to upgrade the working kitchen – to ease the congestion when more than a couple of volunteers are at work. This involves opening up the current kitchen, laundry and bathroom/toilet into one large room with built in cupboards and benchtops. We are currently waiting on approval of the plans submitted to the City of Tea Tree Gully. One of the first tasks will be the professional removal of old asbestos panels. Portions of the subsequent work will be able to be performed by our own volunteers.

Clarrie's Shed extension

Many of our Monday volunteers, overseen by Geoff Francis, are continuing to work on the extension to Clarrie's Shed. The walls have been clad since this image part way through the project.



New Grants

CMP 2016-17 - \$9,700 – interpret blacksmith shop and implements
- \$3,000 – Preservation Needs Assessment Survey

Grants applied for

Community Voices Program 2016 – unsuccessful
Aust Govt Volunteers Grant 2016 – unsuccessful

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Heritage on Sunday

MINIATURE MAGIC

SUNDAY 18th JUNE, 2017
1-4 PM

Be charmed by room settings in miniature and amazed by their precise detail.

Hear enthusiasts talk of their small obsessions.



Enjoy the afternoon as you visit 13 rooms in the Museum, 4 pavilions, blacksmith shed, police cell and laundry. Surrounded in a beautiful garden setting take time to wander, explore and be entertained.

Devonshire Tea is available and our Gift Shop is a delight with unique craft.
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