

Heritage on Sunday

COME TO LIGHT

SUNDAY 21ST AUGUST, 2022, 11am-4pm

From Candle Wicks to Electric Watts.

Spills, vesta matches, candle moulds and kerosene lamps – a focus on lighting in the early days.

The day draws to an end, intricate craft by candlelight and a night light is lit at bedtime.

When did electricity first come to the Gully?

Come along and see the light!



Explore twelve rooms in the building, four display pavilions, blacksmith, police cell, laundry and the charming garden.

Sausage Sizzle and Devonshire Tea will be available and the gift shop is stocked with unique craft.

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

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Heritage For All Ages

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Heritage Museum



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Notice of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 9 August, 10.00 am
Tea Tree Gully Heritage Museum

Museum volunteers, National Trust members, stakeholders and local residents are invited to the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Tea Tree Gully Branch of the National Trust of South Australia. The Branch manages the Tea Tree Gully Heritage Museum.

The AGM gives participants the chance to review the past year and contribute to plans for the future, including the financial position and budget. A new Committee is elected.

Guest presenter: Peter Foster - 'Discovering the two headed six-pence' Peter will talk on his involvement with the State Horse Drawn Vehicle Collection located at Millicent Museum.

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CALENDAR

Wed – Sun	13-17 Jul	Fairies and Friends (<i>School Holiday event</i>)	p. 2
Tue	9 Aug	Annual General Meeting	p.1
Sun	21 Aug	Heritage on Sunday – Come to Light	p. 8
Sun	18 Sep	Heritage on Sunday – The Wheel Deal	
Sun	16 Oct	Heritage on Sunday – Spring in the Garden	



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National Trust of SA - Tea Tree Gully Branch

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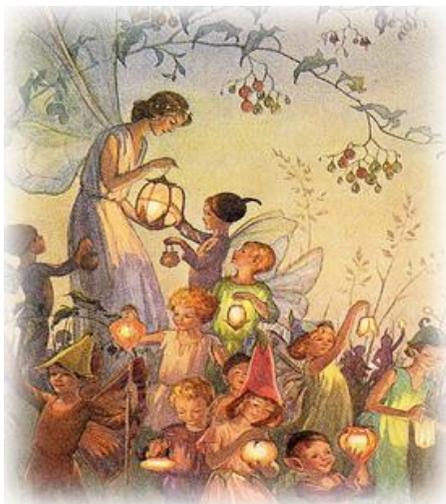
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A school holiday event for all ages

FAIRIES & FRIENDS

Wed 13th to Sat 16th July, 10am–2pm, daily

Sunday 17th July, 11am-4pm



A magical adventure awaits as you enter this 'once upon a time' experience.

Meet fairies and their fairy tale friends in this wonderful historic setting.

Every room is on display with imaginary creatures. See the elf, a mermaid, wizard, unicorn, gnome and more.

Explore the garden and visit the fairy ring and grotto.

Wed to Sat - entry \$3 per person

Hands-on activities + Craft + Treats

On **Sunday**, also visit the outdoor pavilions and our working blacksmith.

Watch local artist Scott Eames sculptor a fairy.

Enjoy a Sausage Sizzle and Devonshire Tea.

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

New addition to the Museum Collection

The Museum is pleased to accept a horse-drawn timber wagon from Barbara Francis. The wagon was her grandfather's and has direct local provenance. He was brother to the Hancock sisters, Ellen and Marjorie, who owned the buggy in our dairy display. Their dairy was on Hancock Road and Marjorie delivered fresh milk and butter house-to-house in Golden Grove and Tea Tree Gully.

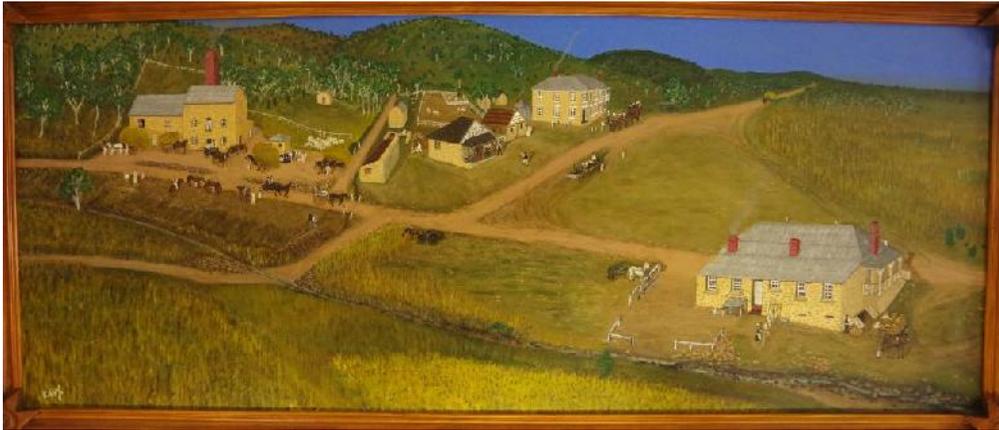
The wagon had been stored under cover locally, but was subsequently moved to Parsons Beach. Several of our volunteers transported it back to the Museum. It was cleaned, the timber oiled and the metal treated for rust, along with minor repair. It has now been moved into the centre of our transport pavilion – in the 'Lions lean-to'.

The wagon features a large tray with side and tail boards. A high driver's seat sits at the front above the load. It includes leaf spring suspension, unlike the Lokan wagon and German wagon each side of it.



Steventon painting?

If you have been paying attention at the Museum, you would have seen a large painting appear on the wall of the main meeting room. (It first appeared on our February Heritage on Sunday: 'What's New?')



This has been a labour of love by local painter Shaun S Kavanagh.

He spent much effort researching the state of the buildings from photographs in the 1800s.

For the painting, he chose a viewpoint from the rear car park of The Gully Public House and Garden. From that point nowadays, most of the scene is blocked by the garden 'circus tent' roof and trees!

He started by pacing out to buildings, creek, roads and park to make a map with pen and paper. He then made a rough 3D model with wooden block buildings. Next he had to calculate the rise and fall of terrain in order to create the eventual perspective. 'It took three to four months of hard work to get the initial layout right.'

Then came the painting ...

Shaun has included a tribute to his late father with the letters 'HAL' on the green carriage alongside the TTT Inn. This was part of his sales rep. father's vehicle number plate – an indication that he is visiting the inn!

Shaun has kindly lent the painting for display at the Museum.

Also currently in the entrance hall, we have been displaying various paintings/sketches of the Museum main building collected over the years.

A Wedding Yarn – May

This five day event was our contribution to the SA History Month. 351 visitors were met with 'yarn bombing' outside such as beanies on the picket fence and post box covering.

Inside, visitors were treated to an array of knitted and crocheted items. A decorated 'bicycle built for two' was on display in the Post Office. Wedding items ranged from floral arrangements to a six tiered wedding cake and 'bottles' of bubbly. A knitted wedding dress actually used by one of our volunteers was on display.

The theme continued outside, most noticeably with a beautiful hand crafted dandelion on the lawn.



Many items were for sale, including hand knitted tea cosies and toddler and doll clothes. Scones and cream were accompanied by a sugared almond treat!



Heritage on Sunday – June – Keeping Time

75 visitors came out on a cold day to explore history through clocks and watches. Clocks were distributed throughout the Museum, with the Museum's collection of antique and vintage clocks enhanced by volunteer contributions.

A local horologist (a person who studies time and makes clocks) added unique clocks from his personal collection. He also reviewed visitors' clocks and advised on their year of manufacture and value - for a donation of \$5. This money will be used towards restoring a Museum clock.



Time extended to the garden with a beautiful clock featuring pot plants and autumn leaves, along with our normal sundial.



Visitors were able to keep warm with Devonshire tea, egg and bacon, or sausage sizzle.

Know your volunteer – Karen Sim-Jong

Karen volunteers on our Kitchen team, in particular as Barista at Heritage on Sunday events. She has been a volunteer since 2018.

She is married to Danny, and they have a daughter and two furry babies living in Mawson Lakes. Karen was born in Kuching, East of Malaysia, which is well known as the Borneo Island, and she went abroad to study in the UK at the age of 12. She returned home to work after graduating as an Accountant after nine years of being away from her family.

Karen made a complete career change in 2011 when the whole family moved to Australia. She jumped into the Hospitality Industry with no experience along with her brave husband and daughter. They have been the proud operators of Balfours Café at City Cross for the past decade, which she and Danny very much enjoy. Of course, Karen is still the person behind the books and the finance and administrative work in their company. Karen is very passionate with her choice of Balfours as she felt connected to Margaret Balfour with her story back in the UK.

Karen expressed her interest via Volunteering SA & NT to volunteer at the Museum in October 2017 and our Chair, Gill Starks, contacted her. She has enjoyed working at the museum since and works along well with the Kitchen team.

Karen has seen us progress from instant to percolated to 'barista' coffee.

She now uses our DeLonghi machine to freshly grind the beans and brew your coffee to your request.

