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MUSEUM HOURS

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 10am—2pm

Sundays or other days by appointment. Group bookings welcome.

Admission: Adults \$5, Children and students free.

Membership: Single \$20, Couples \$30, Junior \$5.

BULLETIN ISSUED: February, May, August, November.

GENERAL MEETINGS: 2nd Saturday – March, June, September, November 10am at Museum.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS: 1st Monday of month at 9.45am at Museum.



BANK OF NSW -NOW WESTPAC

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Welcome to all our members. Visitor numbers have been up at the Museum due to Beef Week. Our thanks go to all who make it possible to open the Museum by giving their precious time. Our Beef Week Saturday BBQ once again was a huge success with great takings. Rather a long day but all went smoothly. A huge contribution by member Malcolm Field for the donation of the BBQ, gas, delivery to and from the BBQ area. Thanks to Alan Berry owner of Casino Hire and Hardware. We will continue to support you also when possible.

Our Mothers Day raffle was a huge success, thanks to Kay Francis for her donation of the three prizes, Not forgetting the ticket sellers as well. We have two new Members Robert Lane and Mary Ann Anderson. Welcome to our group hope you enjoy our company.

At our Quarterly Meeting in June, we had Elizabeth Lane as guest speaker. Elizabeth spoke on the Wooroooolgen history (Sextonville Road where she lived,) a very interesting talk on history. We have a Fathers Day Raffle for September, be sure to buy a ticket just \$1.

We have just lost one of our members David Greenstreet. Sincere sympathy to the Greenstreet family. David has done door duty for many years and we will miss him, rest in peace David

Warren Armfield
President

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Our Museum Building

Located in the grounds of the Casino Public School. Built as a Domestic Science block for the Casino Intermediate High School in 1929. The building was primarily used for teaching cooking to the senior girls. Other classes like history and Latin were also conducted here if classrooms were in short supply. The Museum was opened in 1966 when the building became vacant after a new high school was built on Queensland Road, North Casino. The building has been altered by the addition of the side annex and a front room. The Annex was built by members of the Rotary Club in order to protect machinery and farm implements on display in 1975. The front room, known as the Manyweathers Room was added in 1988 after a Bi-Centenary of Australian Grant was received from the State Government.

BANK OF NSW 1905

The Casino Branch of the Bank of NSW opened on 9th Dec 1889 in an unknown location. In February 1890 the bank leased a larger office in the Town Hall buildings at \$130 per year.

In 1904 the Bank purchased the corner allotment of Walker and Barker Streets known as Mooney's Cow paddock for \$4,300. The buildings are two storey's, the main portion roofed with slates and the back office with galvanized iron. The main building has brick walls throughout, all the rooms being plastered and the ceilings will be of stamped steel in various artistic patterns. It has cedar counters and desks, a large strong room and a manager's room. A spacious hallway gives access to the dining room, kitchen – fitted with range, with water laid on from both tanks and town supply and wash house complete the ground floor.

On both floors fronting the two streets, there are balconies 8ft wide. At the rear of the main building there are stables, coach house grooms' room and gas house and other conveniences.

The building was completed in December 1905. The first manager was MR W C Lumsdine and Mr Munro the first teller. The first customer was Walter Hindmarsh an auctioneer, who registered his signature on 9 December the day the bank opened. The bank was extended in 1912 and altered in 1963. It is now the Wespac Bank.

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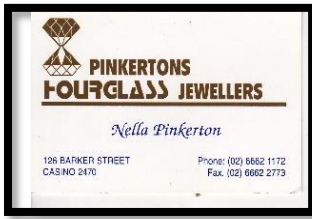
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CASINO TOWN HALL

In 1884 land was granted by the government for a site for the town hall in Casino. It was section 19 lot 9 which was in Walker Street. It was February 1889 that tenders closed for the building of the Town Hall, W K Mackney & sons from Grafton were awarded the contract.

It is of brick, having a frontage of 50ft, depth of 36ft and rises to a height of 44ft to the top of the pediment in the centre of the front elevation. The ground floor has two shops, an office and main entrance hall. The largest shop is occupied by the Bank of NSW. The upper floor contains the council chamber. cedar as well as all the skirting boards. It was in 1936 that the council decided to build a new town hall and civic centre on the site of the the old town hall and the old one will be demolished.





GOOD OLD DAYS

In 1904 the shops opened for business at 7.00 am. Wednesday was a half holiday and on Saturday shops opened until 10 pm.

Imagine the housewife of those times distant days, over eighty years ago drawing up a chair, most probably a chair with the famous Arnott's Biscuit parrot advertisement on it. She would read her order on a white aproned assistant, who would note her order on a docket book. This would make it easy for her to check her order. The assistant would get all of her groceries for her, usually measuring each item on open scales. She didn't have to move from her chair.

Probably while this was taking place town events and items of family interest would be discussed. This made the weekly or monthly shopping expedition a pleasurable affair. If the shopper lived in town goods would be delivered by horse and cart. In the case of country shoppers the family shopping necessitated a whole day in town. Sometimes three days would be taken if the distance from town over the bad roads made travelling slow. Trips could not be taken weekly, so orders had to cover a wide range of goods.

While the housewife was placing her order, the husband would most likely be in the hardware department. His order would probably read like this.

1 tin of axle grease 1/- 1 broom 1/11, 1 camp oven 8/8, 1lb copper rivets 11/-, 1 shovel 4/-, wire 12/- 1 bag corn 11/- 1 bag bran 10/10.

Shopping in the good old days had much to commend it, no tiring walks around the supermarket, no lifting and pushing laden trolleys, not having to search the shelves for items not in stock, at the moment.



AVOID freezing soups with seafood, potatoes or pasta in them as the texture of these ingredients will suffer.

CASTOR SUGAR If you run out, ordinary sugar can be ground fine enough in a blender or food processor to substitute.

CITRUS TIPS To get more juice from citrus fruit, microwave them for 10 seconds before juicing

COFFEE As an alternate to sugar sweetening your coffee, try adding a few drops of vanilla

COLD SORES Dab a little bit of acidophilus yoghurt on sore 3 times a day and watch it disappear, also drinking Yakult will help quickly

CORNMEAL Put small piles of cornmeal where you see ants. They eat it, take it home, can't digest it so it kills them.

CRUMBED FOOD For tasty crumbed food use seasoned stuffing mix instead of the usual breadcrumbs. It kills them.



Happy 90th Birthday to our Life Member
Nina Handford.



Opening Casino-Kyogle Railway 1909

The opening of the Casino-Kyogle Railway in 1909. The sod turning ceremony in connection with the Casino Kyogle railway line was a gay time for the far North Coast. Every part of the great Northern Rives District sent representatives. Kyogle was for the day practically deserted for so many residents journeyed over 20 miles to be present at the gathering.

***OUR NEXT COLES BBQ ON SATURDAY 13TH JULY
AND 12TH OCTOBER.
TRUCK SHOW BBQ IS 3RD AUGUST
DIY BBQ 21ST SEPTEMBER
DIY BBQ 16TH NOV***



June DIY BBQ



Elizabeth Lane spoke at our June General meeting

Hints

Don't mix cut daffodils with other flower in a vase, as they produce a toxin that kills other flowers.
Salt will kill a dandelion.- Azaleas like a bit of white vinegar added to the water.- Try Epsom salt around tomatoes.
Stop blooms on gardenias and camellias from turning brown, by sprinkling with salt. To ensure your garden roses produce great blooms, add a teaspoon of Epsom Salts to a bucket of water and pour over roots.

CDHS ROSTER 2024	AUG-SEPT-OCT		
AUGUST			
THURS 1ST	J NEWMAN	M ANDERSON	
FRIDAY 2ND	B DENNIS	R PHILPOTT	
WEDNESDAY 7TH	J HEDISON	B KEEP	
THURSDAY 8TH	S GIBSON	M ANDERSON	
FRIDAY 9TH	D SULLIVAN	R LANE	
WEDNESDAY 14TH	W ARMFIELD	G ROONEY	
THURSDAY 15TH	G AUSTIN	R LANE	
FRIDAY 16TH	B DENNIS	R PHILPOTT	
WEDNESDAY 21ST	W ARMFIELD	G ROONEY	
THURSDAY 22ND	G AUSTIN	R LANE	
FRIDAY 23RD	D SULLIVAN	S GIBSON	
WEDNESDAY 28TH	W ARMFIELD	M ANDERSON	
THURSDAY 29TH	G ROONEY	D JAMES	
FRIDAY 30TH	G AUSTIN	R LANE	
SEPTEMBER			
WEDNESDAY 4TH	W ARMFIELD	S GIBSON	
THURSDAY 5TH	G AUSTIN	R LANE	
FRIDAY 6TH	B DENNIS	R PHILPOTT	
WEDNESDAY 11TH	J HEDISON	B KEEP	
THURSDAY 12TH	G ROONEY	D JAMES	
FRIDAY 13TH	W ARMFIELD	R LANE	
WEDNESDAY 18TH	G ROONEY	M ANDERSON	
THURSDAY 19TH	D SULLIVAN	R LANE	
FRIDAY 20TH	B DENNIS	R PHILPOTT	
WEDNESDAY 25TH	W ARMFIELD	D JAMES	
THURSDAY 26TH	S GIBSON	D SULLIVAN	
FRIDAY 27TH	M ANDERSON	G AUSTIN	
OCTOBER			
WEDNESDAY 2ND	D SULLVAN	M ANDERSON	
THURSDAY 3RD	G AUSTIN	R LANE	
FRIDAY 4TH	B DENNIS	R PHILPOTT	
WEDNESDAY 9TH	J NEWMAN	G ROONEY	
THURSDAY 10TH	G AUSTIN	M ANDERSON	
FRIDAY 11TH	G AUSTIN	R LANE	
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THURSDAY 24TH	D SULLIVAN	R LANE	
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