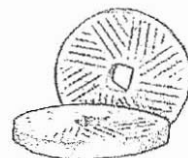


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The Kurrajong-Comleroy Historical Society is dedicated to researching, recording, preservisin and championing the history of "the Kurrajong", the district bounded by the Hawkesbury River at North Richmond, the Grose River, Cut Rock at Kurrajong Heights, along Comleroy and Blaxland Ridge Roads to East Kurrajong, to the Colo River.

BTTK - It's on again!!
Friday Night October 22

A preview of our new photographic exhibition

2 great guest speakers and supper—all for \$15.00—but be quick!

Numbers are filling already.—Phone Joy 4571 1524 for a seat.

Patricia Downes is coming from Canberra to talk about her ancestor Joseph Douglass and his family. of Ivy Lodge (now known as Lochiel) at Kurrajong Heights. Joseph arrived in the Colony as a convict in 1814, and was not joined by his wife and five children for eight years. Trish will entertain you with the stories of their early days in Kurrajong Heights.

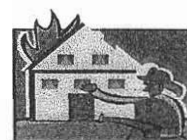
Ian McEwan is one of those guys who always seems to have been there over the years when help is needed, pulling folks off the roof of their house in the floods, saving the machinery, or trying to keep the flames at bay, or just working behind the bar at the bush dance, to raise funds for the Fire Brigade. He has had Hawkesbury floods lapping at his own doorstep as well. When some of us were kids, Ian and his two brothers were our local dentists. Like a lot of retirees, he is now working harder than ever, for the local Community. He has seen a lot more than he may care to speak about over the years, and we are grateful, not only for the chance to share his knowledge, but his major contribution of photographs towards our

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**FLOOD, FIRE AND FAMINE
EXHIBITION...**

WHEN? October 23 and 24

WHERE? Kurrajong CWA

WHAT TIME? 9am to 4 pm



A HUGE THANK YOU TO....

**The Richmond School of Arts Committee
for hosting our AGM this year**

We learned that behind that solid exterior there is a buzzing hub of activity on a full tour of the Building by the President, Margaret Thorn. We got a sneak preview of the next Players' production - (don't miss it!) as well as an amazing range of classes and activities going on.

All this, a good AGM and general meeting, followed by a delightful supper, hosted by the School of Arts Committee, rounded off a very successful night.

It was deep regret that the resignation of our founding Secretary and Editor, Louise McMahon was accepted. Her talent and hard work in getting the Society established initially, and her on-going commitment will not be forgotten. Louise is still staying on as a member, and we look forward to her involvement again in the future. We also thank our committee of last year for their enthusiasm and efforts in the last twelve months.

New committee members elected were:-



President: Jennifer Stackhouse

Vice President: Kathie McMahon

Secretary: Val Holland

Treasurer: Joy Shepherd

Public Officer: Frank Holland

Millstone Editor: Ian O'Toole

Research Project Officer: Frank Holland

Acquisitions: Val Birch

Minute Secretary: Pat O'Toole

Committee Members: Aidrie Martin, Marguirite Wyborn

We congratulate all new and on-going members of the Committee and wish them well as

A Reminder:

"A Walk Through Kurrajong" with Ken Bennett commences at 10 am on Thursday, October 21st, meeting at the Millstones. Please book 4573 1228 for rain contingencies, and wear your walking shoes. It's going to be the start of a very big week in Kurrajong,

And..... We are going to need lots of helpers for our huge weekend - please phone Joy on 4571 1524 and put your name down if you can help out for an hour or two.



KURRAJONG VILLAGE c 1926

From the KCHS Photo Collection - Contributed by Carol Bateson

Dates for your diary (for your fridge door!)

* Thursday 21st October

Kurrajong Walk with Ken Bennett

Where: Meet at the Millstones in Kurrajong Village at 10am.

Bookings: 4573 1228 (Bennett Properties)

After the walk we will adjourn to lunch at own cost!

* Friday 22nd October

Exhibition preview, talks and supper night. Come along to preview 'Flood Fire & Famine' a display of photographs from our collection. The preview will be followed by talks by Trish Downes on 'The history of the Douglas family' and Ian McEwan on 'Flood, Fire, Famine and Other Events'.

Where: CWA Hall, Kurrajong Village (and supper at Valley View Café at the conclusion of the talks) at 7pm – talks will commence at 7.45pm.

Bookings: 4573 0836 (Jennifer) or 4567 7921 (Airdrie)

Cost: \$20 (post cheques to PO Box 174, Kurmond, 2757)

* Saturday 23rd-Sunday 24th October

'Flood Fire and Famine' display continues in the CWA Hall from 10am-4pm with an informal opening at 2pm, Saturday. All welcome. Main Scarecrow Festival activities on Sunday.

Volunteers are needed to man the display on Saturday and Sunday. To add your name to the roster call Joy Shepherd on 4571 1524

* Friday 12th-Saturday 13th November

Exhibition of 'Flood Fire and Famine' photographs at the Small Farms Expo at Clarendon at the Showground.

Volunteers are needed to man the display on Friday and Saturday. To add your name to the roster call Joy Shepherd on 4571 1524

* Monday 22nd November

Date of next regular meeting. Guest speaker, meeting and supper. Full details next newsletter.

Where: CWA Hall, Kurrajong Village at 7.30pm

Apologies: 4573 0836 (Jennifer) or 4573 2226 (Valerie Holland)

Bring your own mug for supper.

* December

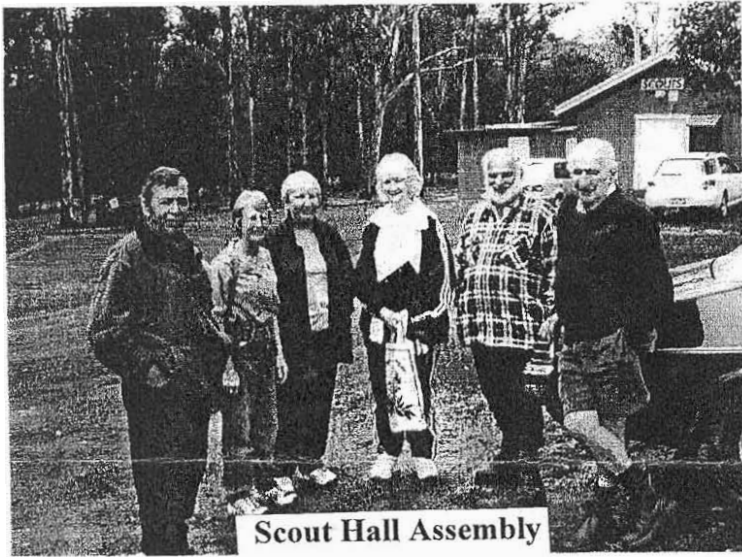
We will be having an early evening social event for Christmas. More details next newsletter.

* Australia Day, 2005

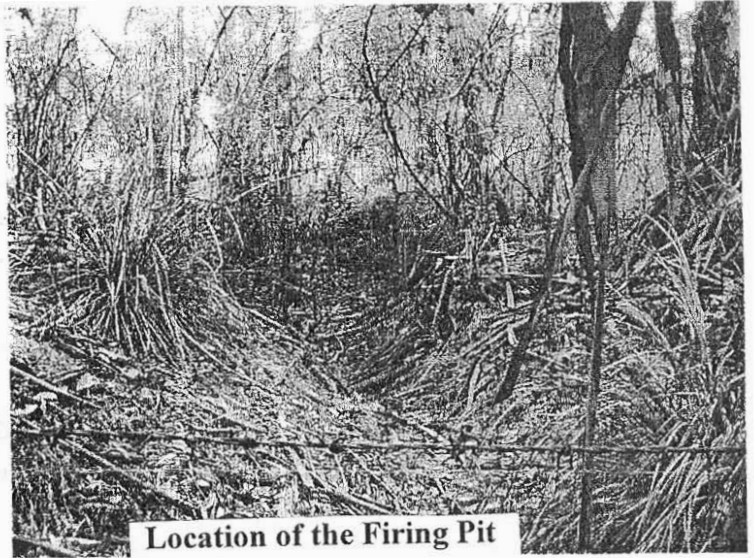
Keep the morning free for our breakfast birthday celebrations (details next newsletter).

MILL ROAD BRICK WORKS c1930

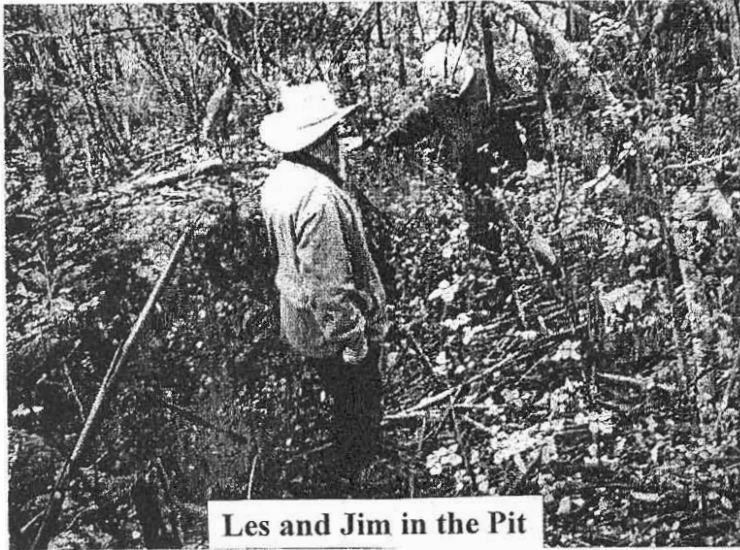
In overcast weather on Thursday, 30th September, a small group, guided by long term Kurrajong resident, Jim Hawkins, inspected the remains of the Newcomb brick pit, off Mill Road. The visit was timely as the remains are likely to disappear with the proposed development on the site.



Scout Hall Assembly



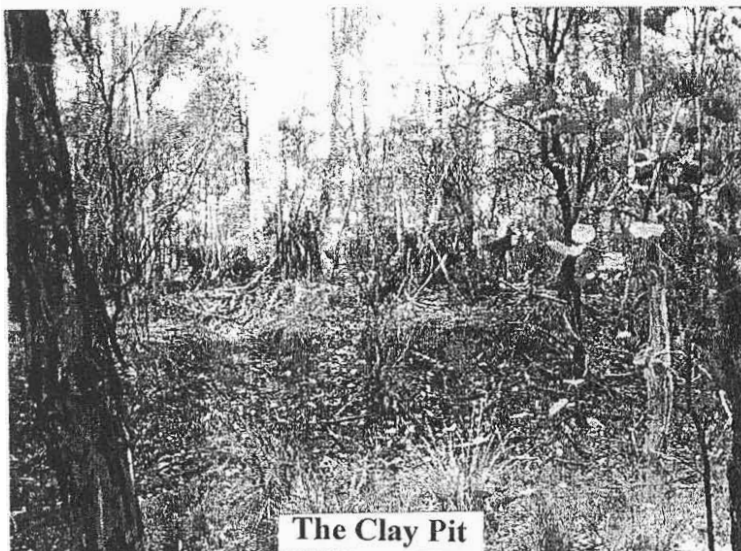
Location of the Firing Pit



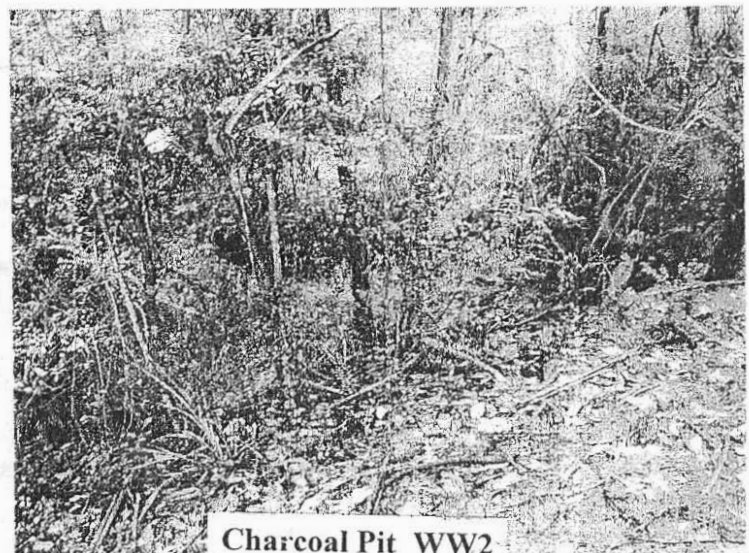
Les and Jim in the Pit



The Proof !



The Clay Pit



Charcoal Pit WW2