



# BERRIMA DISTRICT HISTORICAL & FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY Inc.

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## NEWSLETTER

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### From the President's Desk

'Nothing is set in concrete' is being heard a lot around here as we discuss each new phase of our relocation planning.

However, no-one will dream of uttering it when we celebrate the digitisation of our almost full collection of Berrima Cement Works newsletters on Saturday 12 April with volunteers sharing the occasion with invited guests. *See page 3.*

Attending that launch is only part of our famed historian and Archivist Linda Emery's active April as three days later you can enjoy her company when she is in conversation with author Ryan Butta about his book *The Bravest Scout at Gallipoli* in the Henrietta Room, Bowral. *See page 3.*

Then on Thursday 24 April, Linda will be presenting her tribute to the men and women of the Southern Highlands who were in our country's armed forces during WWI and WWII in what will be our final gathering for a General Meeting in our Mittagong Archives for at least the next two years. *Stay on page 3.*

From humble beginnings in Berrima, keeping documents in the Courthouse there, Berrima District Historical Society, as we were known then, relocated to the CWA rooms in Bowral before moving into the old Shire

building in Mittagong in October 1982 'with the help of Wingecarribee Shire Council men and trucks' (quote from our Society's own *Celebrating 50 Years* book).

Firstly Bowral, currently Mittagong and from May we will be residents in Council's Civic Centre, Moss Vale. While the Civic Centre has a modern sounding name, it boasts the most interesting and varied history of our three residences. *For a taste turn to page 5.*

Our Research Centre/Archives will be closing for the first three weeks of May while we enjoy the adventure of moving from our HQ and home of the last 43 years to nestle within the walls of Wingecarribee's administrative heart.

We have such extensive collections of our Shire's memories it is no wonder that the removalists anticipate needing several days to move us out while taking the care such precious collections deserve. Over 8000 old photos, thousands of files on local families, of houses and buildings as well as hundreds covering such subjects as fire stations, local amenities and industries. Maps and plans, newspapers and the list goes on.

Our Society will pay homage again this year at local ANZAC Day services with individual members attending at Berrima, Bowral, Mittagong and Moss Vale. We will remember them.

Stuart Handley

### GENERAL MONTHLY MEETINGS 2025

**APRIL 2025:** Thursday 24 April at 2:00pm, downstairs at Mittagong archives  
**SPEAKER:** Linda Emery - Remembering our Boys in Khaki

**MAY 2025:** Thursday 22 May at 2:00pm, theatrette Civic Centre, Moss Vale  
**SPEAKER:** Ros Buick, BDHS member and former Frensham teacher with stories of Winifred West and the school

**AFTERNOON TEA** is served following the speaker

The **Family History Interest Group** meets at the Mittagong Archives on the first Wednesday each month, at 1pm



## Moore Memorable Musings



### LIVING WITH AIDS

This is for those whose partner tells them to get a Hairy Chest (Hearing Test) and for those who forgot to put in their hearing aids today. When I first got mine, I forgot to put in the batteries. My bride inquired, 'so what kind did you get?' 'Half past seven,' I quickly replied. That's when I knew I was in trouble.

It all began years ago at Sunday School when our teacher made us sing "The Cross I'd Bear for Jesus." I wasted my early childhood searching for that cross-eyed bear!

Going for my first hearing test, the audiologist came to the waiting room door and announced, 'come on through!' I thought she said "Kung Fu", so I said, 'I think I'm in the wrong place!' and began to head for the door. After sorting out why I was there, we settled down with some light conversation. 'I believe your wife is autistic,' she declared. 'Not that I know of,' I retorted. 'Is she still painting?' 'Oh, you mean she's *artistic*,' I realised. 'Yes, and I'm teaching her to strum the Euthanasia.' My audio person gave me the strangest look.

Without a doubt these earpieces have made such a difference. It wasn't so long ago that my bride asked me to turn on our new u-beaut Paralympic oven, which is now known, I believe, as pyrolytic. Not as bad as asking me to pre-heat the air fryer. She questioned, 'you didn't turn on the air fryer, did you?' 'Of course, sweetie, the hair dryer is plugged in, ready and waiting!'

I love music in the background. There's an old bossa-nova favourite from the 60s sung by Astor Tomato called "The Girl with Emphysema" or as my bride gently corrected me, "The Girl from Ipanema." I'm led to believe the singer was Brazilian and to sing clearly in English she took electrocution lessons after which she sang beautifully. One song comes to mind called "I've got two chickens with parrot eyes." I believe the correct title is "I've got two Tickets to Paradise." Oh well, I'm beginning to learn a new language.

Bruce Moore

## 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](mailto:bdmuseum@bigpond.com)

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

### History giving happy memories

Recently the Society received an email from a Bernie Irwin who had seen a copy of one of our newsletters published 13 years ago in September 2012 (No 443) and asked could we email him a copy because not all back issues are available on our website, only from 2013 onwards.

He was interested in our article about Claude Lee and Gladys *nee* Stokes. Bernie's father, Robert Neil Irwin, is a grandson of this couple, and Bernie was hoping to get a copy for him to read, as his father now has dementia but always had such fond memories of his grandparents and time spent in Mittagong with them as a child.

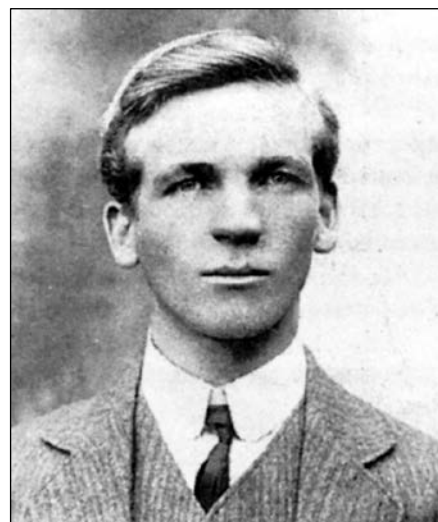
A digital copy of #443 stored in our archive was sent as requested, plus a longer article about the Lee family that had been compiled for the history column in the local paper.

Bernie was pleased, replying with thanks and saying that he would print these out and take them to his dad to read. Bernie also told us that his dad spent most of his life talking about his family in Mittagong and has many, many fond memories of living there himself, his parents being unable to care for him.

"He was actually born in Bowral hospital as his dad had gone to the war and his Mum had returned to Mittagong to be with her parents for the birth.

So much history you don't really understand as a child until you get older yourself and realise how important it is."

**From our history article:** Claude Newton Lee lived his whole life at Leslie Cottage in Queen Street, Mittagong. He became an incredibly energetic and capable man who took a leading part in social, public and community activities in the district. With great vision and a love of life, he was described as a man who dared to be different. In 1913 he married Gladys, daughter of Joshua Stokes, a prominent Bowral businessman and alderman. Their union was to prove incredibly fruitful. Both had musical talent and a love of music and theatre and made their gracious home a centre for artistic endeavour.



*Gladys Stokes, Claude Lee and their Leslie Cottage, Queen St Mittagong*



## General Meeting Speaker on 24 April

### REMEMBERING OUR BOYS IN KHAKI

Linda Emery



On the eve of Anzac Day, it is appropriate to pay tribute to the men and women of the Southern Highlands who have served their country in the forces. The main focus of this talk will be on those who served in WWI but will also include stories of some of the locals who gave their lives in WW2. We will remember them. **Venue: Mittagong Archives**

### A talk: Linda Emery and Ryan Butta

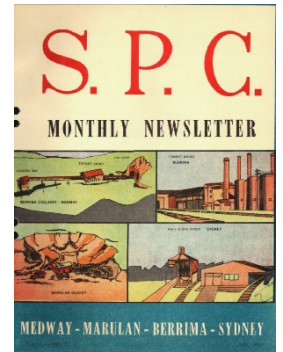
Friends of the Wingecarribee Libraries' April author talk on **Tuesday 15 April** will feature Linda Emery in conversation with author Ryan Butta about his book *The Bravest Scout at Gallipoli* in the Henrietta Rose Room, adjacent to Bowral library at 10am. Morning tea after the talk. Non-members welcome \$20, FOWL members \$15. Purchase tickets online via Eventbrite.

The book is about the many lives and tragic death of **Harry Freame**, the Anzac hero betrayed by his nation. The first Australian soldier to win the Distinguished Conduct Medal at Gallipoli he risked his life again and again to scout the battlefield, reporting invaluable intelligence and relieving stranded soldiers. Some say he should have got the VC but didn't because he was half-Japanese, a fact he tried hard to conceal.

After the war, Harry (Wykeham Henry Koba Freame) became a soldier settler and champion apple grower. But in the lead-up to World War II, he was recruited into Australian intelligence. Extraordinarily, this fact was leaked by the Australian press, and the Japanese secret police tried to assassinate Harry not long after his arrival in Tokyo in 1941. He died back in Australia a few weeks later. Harry was the first Australian to die on secret service for Australia, but his sacrifice has never been officially acknowledged. *The Bravest Scout at Gallipoli* is a fascinating and immersive investigation into a grievous historical wrong.

## Launch of SPC digitised newsletters

The Society has now completed digitising of the SPC-Blue Circle Southern Cement newsletters from 1959 to 1985. They have been uploaded to the website and are word searchable, being a really fantastic resource for researchers. Have a look at the wonderful information in this great piece of social history.



It is the only known, almost complete, set of original newsletters. The digitisation was a joint effort of the Berrima District Credit Union, who provided 60% of the funding for the project, and our Society.

**To mark this achievement, we are holding a launch at our Mittagong archives on Saturday 12 April from 11:00am. Tea and coffee will be available.**

Half a century ago, the Berrima Cement Works was the largest employer in the district and the monthly newsletter was a great record of the social history of the period as all aspects of life, both work and social, were keenly reported.

A list of known former workers at the Cement Works has been compiled and invitations sent to them.

Anyone with an interest is welcome to come along, so please spread the word, especially to any former workers who may not have yet been contacted.

There will be a demonstration on how to access the newsletters on the word searchable database on our website. Our set of the original newsletters will be on display and there will be a photographic display of over 200 images from the same period.



**A group of SPC employees photographed in the 1980s**  
left to right: Jack Schott, Sam Marshall, John Medland, Jack Goode, Jim Galloway, Bob Byrne, Jim Mitchell, John Zaranski, Col Pickering Snr.

## Pre-loved Books for sale 2025

The books listed below have either been donated or are surplus to our needs or are duplicates of library books we already hold. Contact the archives by email or phone to reserve a book(s). Once your selection is confirmed, payment may be made in person at the archives or by direct deposit.

**BUNDANOON HISTORY GROUP.** *From Jordan's Crossing to Bundanoon: The growth of a highland village.* Published 1990. Paperback. Excellent condition. **\$5**

**BURKE, David.** *Man of Steam. E. E. Lucy – A Gentleman Engineer in the Great Days of the Iron Horse.* Published 1986. Hard cover. Excellent condition. **\$10**

**CAVANOUGH, Jane et al.** *Gardens of the Southern Highlands New South Wales 1828-1988.* Published 1988. Paperback. Good condition. Writing inside front cover. **\$10**

**Centenary of St. Stephen's Church, Mittagong 1878 – 1978.** Paperback. 2 copies. **\$3**

**CHALKER, Marie A.** (Compiled by). A Chapter in the History of Mittagong: The Bush Fire of 1939. Excellent condition. **\$3**

**CHAPMAN, Yvonne.** *Celebrating 100 Years. Bowral Bowling Club 1914 – 2014.* Paperback. Excellent condition. Name of previous owner written in. **\$5**

**DARK, Eleanor.** *No Barrier. Part 3 of The Timeless Land Trilogy.* This Australian Classics Ed. 1980. Very good condition. **\$3**

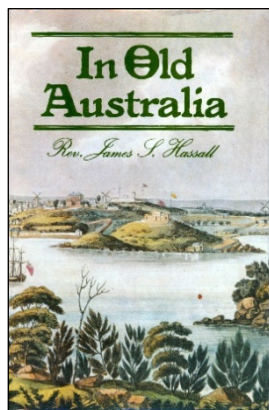
**DAY, Leah.** *Beautiful Bowral: A Pictorial Celebration.* Published 1997. Hardback. Excellent condition. **\$10**

**DEPT. OF RAILWAYS, NSW.** *The Railways of New South Wales 1855 – 1955.* Hard Cover. Very good condition. **\$8**

**DRYDEN, Jim.** *The Blue & White Wave. (Thirroul Surf Life Saving Club)* Published 2007. Paperback. Excellent condition. Writing on title page. **\$5**

**HALLIDAY, Ken.** *Call of the Highlands (The Tenterfield Story) 1828-1988.* Excellent condition. Published 1988. **\$10**

**HASSALL, Rev. James.** *In Old Australia: Records and Reminiscences from 1794.* First published 1902. This facsimile edition published 1981. Excellent condition. **\$10**



**HESLEP, Jan** (compiled by). *History of Yerrinbool Village.* Published 2019. 2 copies. **\$2**

**JERVIS, James.** *A History of the Berrima District 1798-1973.* Excellent condition. Hard cover. **\$5** (2 copies).

**KELLY, R.A.N.** *Kirkby & Emery Family Australian Settlers.* Excellent condition. **\$3**

**KNAPMAN, Leonie.** *Joadja Creek. The shale oil town and its people 1870-1911.* Paperback edition 1997. Good condition but with cello tape markings on inside cover and title page and with BDHS stamp. **\$10**

**LAWSON, Henry.** *Selected Poems of Henry Lawson.* Illustrated by Percy Leason. Hard cover. Facsimile Edition 1986. Excellent condition. **\$7**

**LISTON, Carol.** *Campbelltown: The Bicentennial History.* Published 1998. Excellent condition. Hard cover. **\$5**

**LONG, Lionel and DAVIES, Brian.** *Liverpool Sketchbook.* Published 1980. Hard Cover. **\$10**

**MARTYN, Peter.** *Waratahs and Wombats: Hill Top. A Selective History 1792 to 2001.* Paperback. Excellent condition. **\$5**

**NESTA GRIFFITHS, G.** *Some Southern Homes of New South Wales.* Published 1976. Facsimile Ed. Hard cover. Very good condition. **\$5**

**PATERSON, Andrew Barton 'Banjo' Paterson (pictured)**  
*Poems of Banjo Paterson.* Illustrated by Pro Hart. Two vols. Hard cover. Published 1974 and 1976. **\$3 each**



**PEARCE, Lee** (produced by). *The Northern Rivers of New South Wales.* Four books (soft cover). Slip case edition. Published 1985. Good condition. **\$5**

**PRICE, Leslie.** *Tales of the Southern Highlands.* Paperback. Very good condition. Writing inside front cover. **\$5**

**REED, A.W.** *Place-Names of New South Wales: Their Origins and Meanings.* Published 1969. **\$5**

**REID, Richard.** *Not just ned: a true history of the Irish in Australia.* Paper back. Excellent condition. (2 copies). **\$5 each**

**WRIGHTSON, S.O.** (Compiled by). *Notes on Early History of Berrima Village* (with line drawings by Rachel Roxburgh). **\$2**

## A history of Moss Vale Civic Centre

It is fitting that the Moss Vale Civic Centre, where our Society will be moving to in May this year, has a long history of community involvement and is designated as a War Memorial. An overview is provided here.

In 1933 *The Scrutineer* called for a public meeting on public baths in Moss Vale: "Let it establish a first-class set of baths, ladies, gents, and children's. We do not believe in mixed bathing, let each sex have their own particular bath with enclosures around each so nobody will be tempted to intrude." Such segregation was not the majority view of the meeting held that month at Moss Vale Council Chambers in Throsby St to discuss a baths. There were several suggested sites for a shared facility. One was on the creek just above the bridge at the Golf Links where a rocky bottom could be made into a sizeable baths. It was declared to be handy, with shady trees and, if it had picnic grounds, could rival the district's only other pool at Mittagong. The Mayor, Ald Anderson, proposed instead that the baths be at Bong Bong weir where the existing wall could form one side and there would be a never-failing supply of water at no cost. No decision was reached and swimmers continued going to Mittagong or making use of nearby waterholes.

In February 1933, the Wingecarribee Shire Council that then covered the rural areas surrounding Moss Vale including Robertson, Bundanoon and Berrima, amalgamated with Moss Vale Council, keeping the Shire name. The new council continued to occupy the former Council's building (*pictured*) in Throsby St.



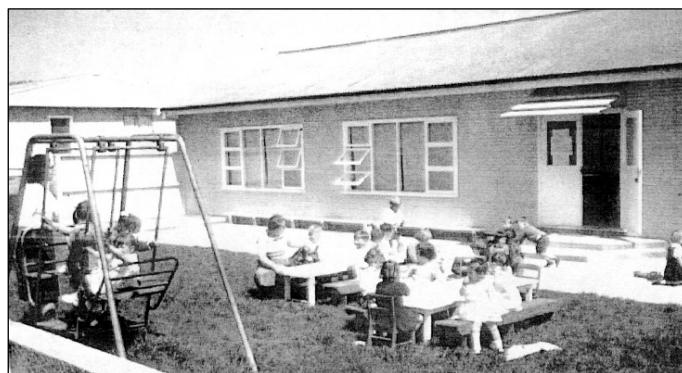
For Council, other matters took precedence over a pool. After World War II, however, it was proposed that a War Memorial Community Centre in Moss Vale be set up to provide for the cultural and recreational welfare of youth and to include a swimming centre. This was initiated by a generous gift from Katherine Donkin, a widow who had previously lived in Moss

Vale but moved to Bowral. She bought a large old house on two acres of land in Moss Vale, at the corner of Elizabeth St and Kirkham Rd, and donated it to the town on the proviso it be used as a community centre. This house had operated as a guest house for many years. The aim of her scheme was to build a memorial fitting for those locals who had served or died in the war just over, with a prime object being to raise healthy children. Designating the Community Centre as a War Memorial was a unique step, not done anywhere else in the State at the time. It provided a stimulus for fund-raising efforts and enabled tax rebates on donations and monies raised.

The main objectives of the Community Centre in 1945 were to: provide for the recreational and cultural welfare of the district's youth; and set up a nursery school and work with the Country Women's Association for the welfare of mothers and babies.

It was proposed that the Centre would also house a children's library and playground, an arts and crafts section, a youth technical training centre, with facilities to foster art, singing, dancing, debating and physical training. It was envisaged that eventually the Centre would include a swimming pool and a gym.

As the War Memorial project grew in scope, Shire Councillors unanimously agreed in September 1946 to take over its running and assets from the Trustees of the Moss Vale Community Centre and committed to acquiring a further 30 acres of land.



By 1947 the old house had become a nursery school, and a newly installed, large hall was in use nearby.

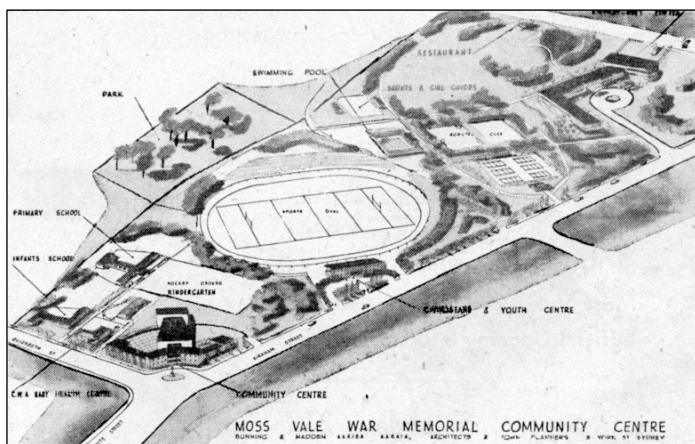
One of the most active members on the Community Centre Committee was Edwin Gordon Donkin, son of Katherine who had gifted the house. Known as Gordon, he was a retired grazier and a renowned traveller, deeply interested in youth movements.

It was he who found an extra-large ex-army hut at Dubbo that he had relocated to Moss Vale in 1947 to serve as the large hall mentioned above, providing for meetings and gatherings and frequently used by the Moss Vale Dramatic Club, by the Police Boys Club and the Girl Guides.



The Community Centre's two-acre site was enlarged in 1948 with the donation of land bought by Harriet Beatrice Donkin, Gordon's sister. This additional land is where the CWA building stands today and behind it along Donkin Ave to the Sports Oval. A number of community groups, including the Moss Vale Blue Gum Girls, raised money for the Centre.

Council set about acquiring adjoining land that took several years, eventuating in a 30-acre War Memorial site extending from Elizabeth St along the northern side of Kirkham Rd and including the area occupied by TAFE today. In anticipation of this, a grandiose plan was drawn up, including sports oval, swimming pool, playgrounds, parks, restaurant and hotel (the hotel to be where TAFE ended up instead).



This plan was published for the 'Back to Moss Vale' celebrations that were held over Anzac week in 1948 as a fund-raiser. The week of carnivals, float parades, stalls and gymkhana was a huge success. Funds raised, nearly 1300 pounds (a considerable amount), were provided to Council for War Memorial Centre expenditure. Grants were being sought for a sports oval that would eventuate in the 1950s.

**The Donkin family** Obviously this scheme owed its existence to the efforts and generosity of members of the Donkin family. Katherine Annie Donkin (*nee* Busby) was born in 1857 into a distinguished colonial family. Her father, William Busby, was a prominent grazier and he, in turn, was the son of John Busby who came out as an engineer to the Government in 1825 and, owing to his energy and skill, Sydney was supplied for nearly half a century with water from the Lachlan Swamps, by what is known as Busby's Bore. Katherine married John Boyd Donkin (b. 1848) at St Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney in 1880. They took up residence in Bellevue Hill in 1885 and then moved to Lake Cowal Station, a grazing property near West Wyalong in central NSW.

The Donkin family also had a distinguished colonial history, beginning with the arrival of Rev. Thomas Donkin (1800-1890) who was Darlinghurst Goal's

Chaplain and later served at Prospect. He and his wife raised eight children including John Boyd.

Katherine and John Boyd had three children, Edwin, William, and Harriet, who all grew up at Lake Cowal. After the death of her husband in 1920, she moved to Moss Vale with unmarried daughter Harriet and bought a house in Elizabeth St. Her son Edwin, born in Sydney in 1886, joined them after his WWI service.

He had served for some three years, mainly with the 7<sup>th</sup> Light Horse Regiment and later with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Light Horse Division, becoming an Intelligence Officer in Syria and Palestine.



Gordon ran the family property for a time, became a fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and then for decades was an adventurer, explorer and traveller. He commenced his travels in 1926 and undertook some 23 overseas trips, always as an unofficial 'ambassador' giving talks and lectures wherever possible of Australia's wonders, often at his own expense. He married Louise Matilda, a Swiss woman he met on his travels and who often accompanied him thereafter. They had no children. Louise was a gifted linguist and, until her death in 1953, was active in the Moss Vale Country Women's Association.

The mother, Katherine, died in 1948. A stained-glass window in St Jude's Church, Bowral was dedicated by the family in her remembrance. The daughter Harriet died in 1958 at Petersham, Sydney.

Edwin Gordon Donkin died, aged 85, at Bowral Hospital in May 1970. Just hours before, according to the *Southern Highland News*, he had given a talk on Africa to The Gib Rotaract Club and illustrated it with a selection of his coloured slides. A funeral service was held at St Jude's Bowral. His wealth of experience and enthusiasm helped drive the Moss Vale War Memorial Community Centre forward.

**Moss Vale War Memorial Swimming Pool** was opened on 6 November 1965, by the Hon Davis Hughes, NSW Minister for Public Works, assisted by State member Tom Lewis and Wingecarribee Shire President Street. It was the district's third pool, as Mittagong and Bundanoon already had public pools.

The pool was on part of the Community Centre land that the Donkin family had donated. A book on the story of the Moss Vale War Memorial Community Centre was published in 2005 by Mary Pogson who had moved to the district in 1960. She had become involved in fund-raising for a new pre-school at the Centre and developed an on-going interest in the

history of the Community Centre. She recounts that, in 1960, it consisted of 30 acres of mostly empty land containing a nursery school, library, large meeting room and a Sports Oval that Council had obtained grants for and built in the 1950s. A swimming pool had always been envisaged, and a Pool Committee was appointed in 1961 to bring it about. A site next to the Community Centre was selected and a building fund created to raise subscriptions.

Council was the first to contribute, providing 100 pounds. The Committee and other groups raised further money, including 500 pounds from a cattle drive. Moss Vale Services Club gave substantial financial support totalling 5,000 pounds. Other local service organisations also helped the project considerably. The Quota Club donated trees, Apex constructed paths, the Rotary Club installed flood-lighting, RSL members worked on the project and the Lions Club donated lockers for the amenities block. Crowe's nursery at Berrima assisted with landscaping and a Robertson resident donated trees.



Shire Engineer R Baker supervised construction and technical aspects for an Olympic-sized pool with an intermediate and a wading pool, all supplied through a sand filtration system. Opened in November 1965, the main pool provided for six swimming lanes and had a 3-metre diving board. The swimming centre was considered a vital asset for the town and was well patronised during its summer openings.

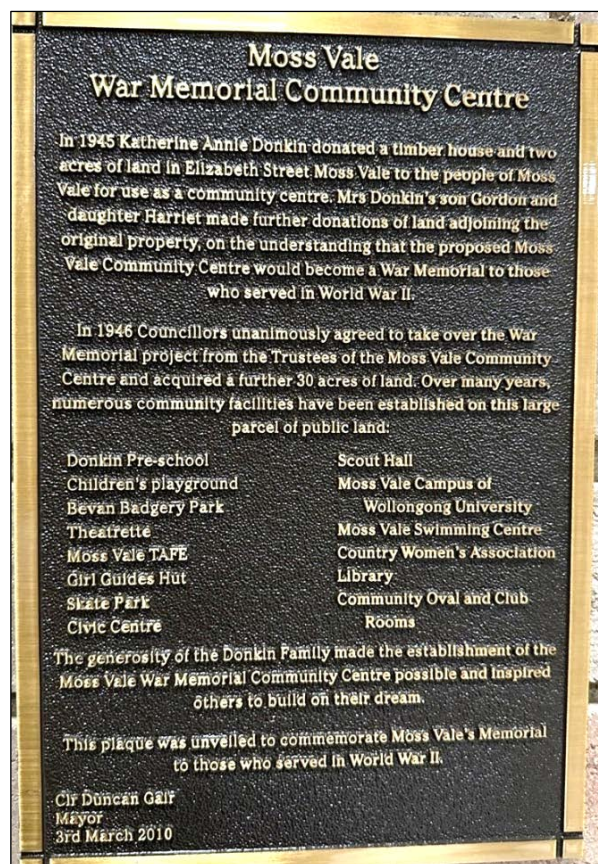
Several years later, a major Civic Centre development commenced on the adjoining Community Centre land fronting Elizabeth St for a new Council headquarters with public library and theatrette. Wingecarribee Shire Council took up occupancy in February 1971, vacating its old, cramped quarters in Throsby St.

Then, in 1981, the local councils serving Mittagong, Bowral and Moss Vale were amalgamated into one district-wide entity that retained Wingecarribee Shire Council as its name and the Moss Vale Civic Centre became this new enlarged Shire's headquarters.

Almost 50 years after the Swimming Pool opened, **Moss Vale War Memorial Aquatic & Fitness Centre** opened on 30 November 2013, replacing the pool on its site with an all-year round facility providing for the

whole Shire. The original opening plaque of the 1965 pool hangs inside the Aquatic Centre's foyer and on a wall overlooking the pools is a commemorative artwork featuring three large metal poppies, flanking the words 'We remember them'. As well, in Moss Vale Civic Centre Theatrette is a plaque unveiled by Mayor Duncan Gair in March 2010 acknowledging the donations of the Donkin family and existence of the War Memorial to those serving in World War II.

It lists the numerous community facilities established on the public land: Donkin Pre-school, Children's playground, Bevan Badgery Park, Theatrette, Moss Vale TAFE, Girl Guides Hut, Skate Park, Civic Centre, Scout Hall, Wollongong University Campus, Moss Vale Swimming Centre, Library, Country Women's Association, Community Oval and Club Rooms.



The Wingecarribee Council Civic Centre is the most significant civic building in the Shire, accommodating over 250 staff each day. It receives numerous visitors including residents, business owners, government officials, stakeholders and consultants who conduct business with Council and utilise services in the building. On average, the Customer Service Centre receives 15,000 visitors annually and near 32,000 visitors to the Moss Vale Library.

Major renovations, undertaken in 2020 and 2021, refurbished, transformed and modernised the public areas of the building including the Library, Foyer, Atrium, Customer Service, Chambers and Civic areas.

*Compiled by Philip Morton*

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- ARCHIVES:** Cnr Old Hume Highway and Bowral Road, MITTAGONG.  
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Library collection contains reference books, journals and a general collection.
- MUSEUM:** Marketplace, Berrima. Tel: 02 4877 1130. Email: bdmuseum@bigpond.com  
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This includes during school and public holiday periods.
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