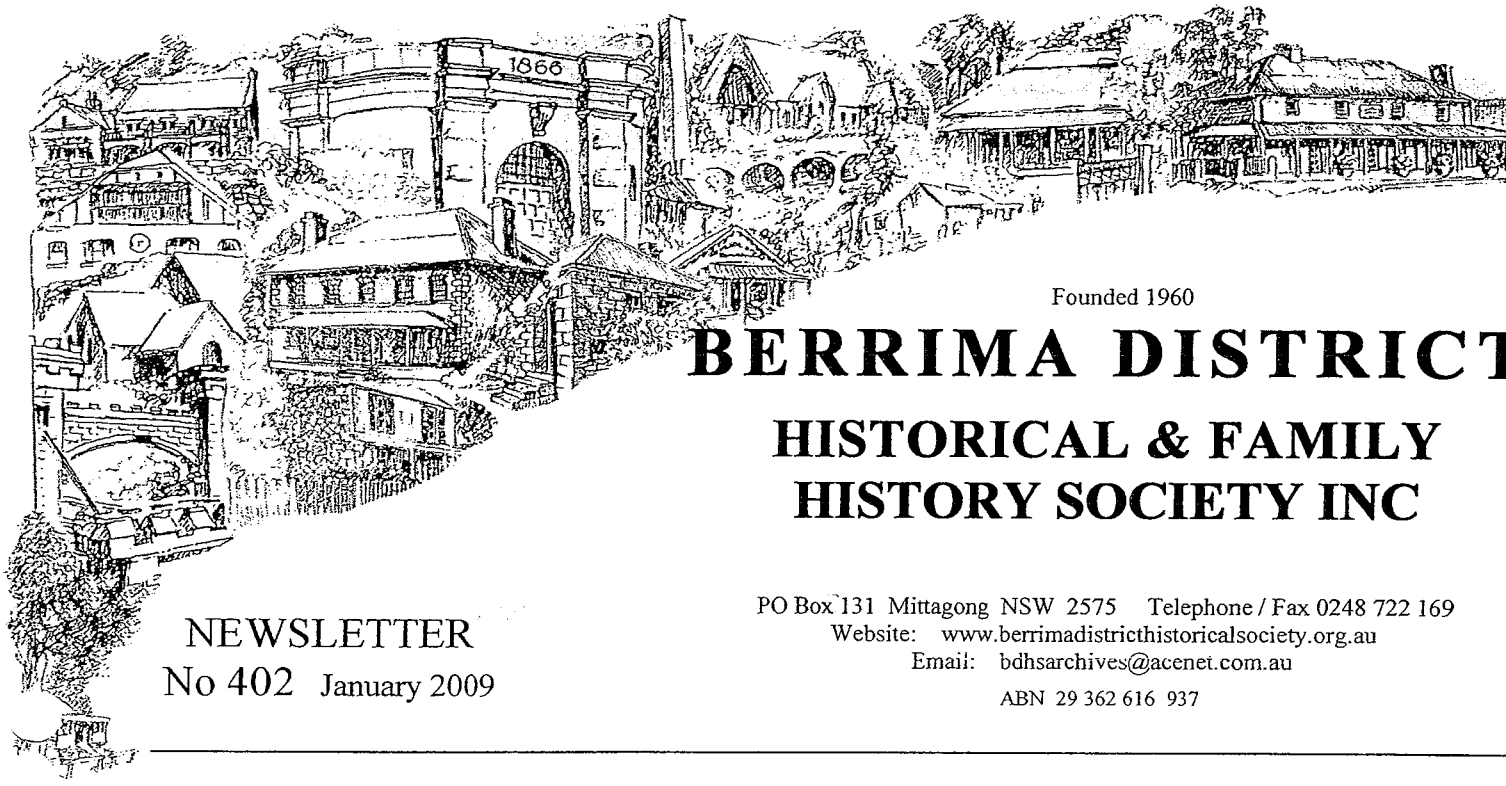


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OPEN: Mondays, Tuesdays 10am-4pm and Saturdays 10am-1pm. Closed Public Holidays. Library collection contains reference books, journals and newsletters of other societies.

MUSEUM: Market Place, BERRIMA. Tel: 02 4877 1130. OPEN: Saturdays, Sundays, Public and School Holidays (except Good Friday, Christmas Day and Boxing Day) 10.00 am to 4.00 pm.

MEMBERSHIP: Any person wanting to join the Society may do so at any stage during the year by completing a form and paying the appropriate fee. Joining Fee $5.00 – Single $20.00 – Family $33.00.

AFFILIATIONS: Royal Australian Historical Society, NSW Association of Family History Societies, Museums Australia Inc & Regional Chapter.

GENERAL MONTHLY MEETING

JANUARY MEETING: **Thursday, 22 January 2009 at 5:00pm**
VENUE: Society Research Centre, Old Council Chambers Building, Bowral Road, Mittagong
GUEST SPEAKER: To be announced
SUPPER: To be served after the meeting - Members – please bring a plate or a donation.

FEBRUARY MEETING: **Thursday, 26 February 2009 at 5:00pm**
VENUE: Society Research Centre, Old Council Chambers Building, Bowral Road, Mittagong
GUEST SPEAKER: **To be announced**

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EVENTS CALENDER 2009

JANUARY
8 Management Committee Meeting
12 **Archives reopen**
22 Monthly General Meeting
26 Society Museum open Weekends and Holidays
27 School holidays conclude

FEBRUARY
12 Management Committee Meeting
26 Monthly General Meeting

MARCH
12 Management Committee Meeting
26 Monthly General Meeting

TRIAL CHANGE TO General Meeting Times

Following the survey of members regarding meeting times, the Management Committee has decided to hold our General Meetings at **5:00pm instead** of 7:00pm for the months of **February**, **March** and **April**. The society will provide light refreshments following the meeting.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE WELL DONE

Ken Reid



At short notice due to a cancellation, Bunnings Hardware Warehouse recently offered the society the opportunity to conduct a fund-raising sausage-sizzle at their premises which we readily accepted.

Bunnings supplied all the equipment needed and the society provided sausages, bread, drinks etc. So on Saturday 30 November a hastily arranged group of volunteers set to work for the day, preparing and cooking well over 100 *Sausage Sandwiches* to be sold (along with cold soft drinks) to the shoppers at Bunnings. We also sold tickets for our Christmas Raffle during the day.



Many thanks to Linda Emery for organizing the event, even making special aprons for the crew, and of course very special thanks to members who participated in various ways, including Langdon Emery who together with Linda was on site before 7.30am setting up for the day.

Apart from the money raising effort, all those working on the day thoroughly enjoyed the camaraderie of members joining together, and had quite a deal of fun during the day.

"Well done" everyone!

Special Open Day

'Prisoners in Arcady'

Exhibition

Berrima District Museum
Market Place, Berrima
Tuesday 20 January 2009
Extended hours 10 am to 7 pm

Members of our society are invited to experience this fascinating new exhibition based on Honorary Life Member John Simons' book of the same name.

Twenty large, colourful panels relate the illustrated story of the German Internment Camp at Berrima during WW1.

The exhibition is introduced with silent film footage showing the Germans enjoying their recreational pursuits by the river.

Two digital monitors within the exhibition feature the boats and huts these industrious men built during their stay in Berrima. One of these boats and a number of other timber items made by them are on display.

The exhibition was curated by Lyn Hall with support provided by John Simons, Ian Alexander, Jim Hutton, Philip Morton, and Bob Williams.

Free entry. Tea and coffee will be served on the verandah throughout the day.

Enquiries: Bob Williams 4889 4405

Berrima District Museum gratefully acknowledges support received from

- Consulate-General of the Federal Republic of Germany, Sydney.
- Museums and Galleries NSW.
- Wingecarribee Shire Council.

RESEARCH FEES

The research fee for non-members:

$15.00 per hour or part thereof for telephone and postal enquiries.
$5.00 per hour or part thereof for enquirers who attend the archives and carry out their own research

ARCHIVES OPENING HOURS

Opening hours are as follows:

Monday	10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Tuesday	10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am – 1:00 pm

BERRIMA DISTRICT MUSEUM

Market Place, Berrima.
Near the bridge.

OPENING HOURS

10 am – 4 pm.
Weekends, Public Holidays and NSW School Holidays.
Closed Good Friday, Christmas Day and Boxing Day.
Groups also welcome at other times by arrangement.
Please telephone Bob or Gloria on 4889 4405

NEWSLETTER

Newsletter Deadline is **1st** of every month. It may be necessary to hold submissions after this date till the following month.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Ken Reid

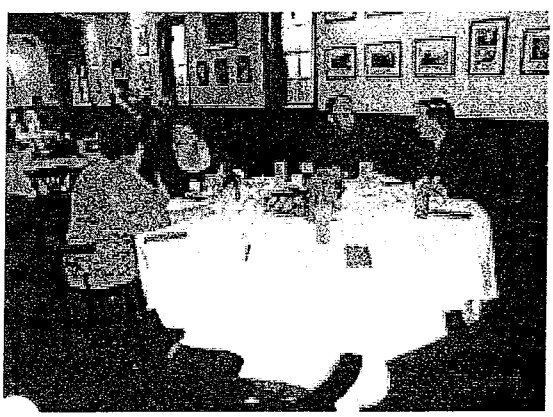
Election results for the Annual General Meeting were:- (see table at right)

Many thanks to Ron Mumford for his role as Returning Officer.

Following the meeting, a "pick the baby" competition created much amusement and laughter to members in attendance. Thanks to Linda Emery and Max Rogers as presenters of the competition. Baby/childhood photographs and more recent adult photographs were screened, and members were asked to pick which adult photograph matched the baby photograph, which created many comments, and as already mentioned, much amusement and laughter. Thank you also to the members who made photographs available.

SOCIETY'S CHRISTMAS DINNER

Ken Reid

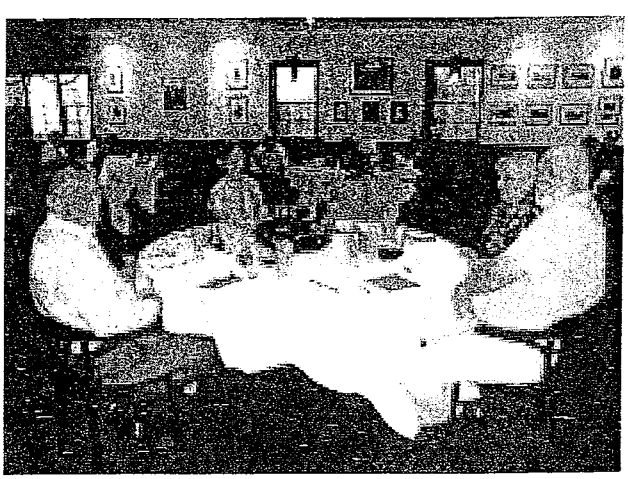


Thirty-three members participated in our annual Christmas dinner at the "Scottish Arms" at East Bowral in December. We all enjoyed the company of other members and many stories were exchanged about times past. An excellent meal was served, and the drawing of the lucky-door prizes created lots of excitement, and the "Christmas Fairy and Elf" distributed the presents (Linda Emery and yours truly – guess who was the fairy and who was the elf?)

George Schofield's story on the correct procedure for plucking chooks generated much merriment, even getting on to potatoes at one stage, but it seemed that we did not really reach the end of the story – I am still not sure how to correctly pluck a chook!

The evening was a most enjoyable time – good company, good food and good fun. Thank you to everyone for your participation and help.





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DIARY DATES

THURSDAY	22 JAN	Monthly General Meeting	5:00 pm at the Historical Society
THURSDAY	12 FEB	Management Committee Meeting	
THURSDAY	26 FEB	Monthly General Meeting	5:00 pm at the Historical Society
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