



# Hill End & Tambaroora Gathering Group Newsletter

Issue 3, Jan 2008

## Dear Hill Endites, Tambaroorians and other interested parties....

This issue of the newsletter is to let you know about our upcoming activities for the first part of 2008.

**Our Annual Gathering** in the Sydney Royal Botanic Gardens has been plagued by the popularity of holding garden weddings and we recently discovered that 2 wedding parties have booked the Rose Garden Pavilion for Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2008. So, unfortunately we will not be able to use the Pavilion after 1pm on that day. To formally book this venue costs \$440 so we have not considered this and have relied upon our luck in the past.

I am the last person who would wish to break with tradition so, in discussion with Bill & Betty Maris, we have decided to go ahead with the Gathering in the vicinity of the Rose Gardens and keep our fingers crossed that the weather holds for the day. As a fallback, in case of inclement weather...(too hot or too wet,) we will make alternative arrangements to use the **Vista Pavilion**, which is located behind the Conservatorium of Music, about 5 mins walk from the Rose Garden towards Government House. This octagonal shelter Pavilion, designed by Walter Vernon, Government Architect, and built in 1907, is much smaller but is all that is available to us at the moment. If we need to go "down this path" we will make sure that someone is at the Rose Garden to direct you to the correct spot.

There is more information further on in this newsletter telling you all you need to know about the Gathering. Just remember that there will be limited seating so if you can bring a fold up chair or a picnic blanket and sunshade you may be more comfortable.



Our alternative venue... The Vista Pavilion

## Hill End & Tambaroora Family History Expo, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> April 2008



This is the second of our activities for 2008 and we are looking forward to meeting as many of the Gathering Group as possible when they join us at the home of their ancestors in Hill End.

We have had a wonderful response to the idea and we have participants coming from all over Australia. Our coach from Sydney still has a few seats left for those who can arrange their own accommodation. We believe there are still a few rooms left at the Ranch (phone 63378224) or the Royal Hotel (phone 63378261). At this stage we appear to have already totally booked out the Lodge Motel. If you are interested in this we have 10 places remaining for our **"last chance package"** which includes the coach trip, and all activities (except the Dinner on Saturday night, which has also been booked out). All venues are within the town so we can arrange transport etc. Closing date for this package is 3<sup>rd</sup> March however contact me as soon as possible to reserve a place.

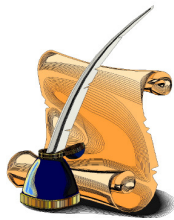
The campground in the centre of town is always an option too. Sites can't be booked but there is plenty of room.

Our individual Craigmoor & Town tour packages are also now almost booked out well (depending on response to the "last chance packages"). There may be a few vacancies "on the day" however we cannot guarantee this as we are restricted by the number of places available on the coach. A self-drive tour will be available for those coming in their own vehicles.

The program is almost complete and we are happy to say that we will have plenty to keep us occupied during our stay in the Village. More details further in the newsletter.

For those people already booked to join us on the full accommodation package we will need the remainder of your payments (as per your receipt letter) by 4<sup>th</sup> February please. We will be in contact closer to the time with your "instructions", coach meeting times and places, and tour programs etc.

## The inaugural Hill End & Tambaroora Family Story Award



Just a reminder that the **closing date for the Family Story Award is 31<sup>st</sup> January**, so you will need to get a move on in your writing activities and ensure that it is submitted in time. Now is the opportunity to put that family research to good use. We have a number of entries already and look forward to receiving many more. We are grateful to our supporters who have donated prizes of **\$100, \$75, and \$50, so this is quite an incentive to start writing NOW!**

If the closing date is a problem please let me know by that date that you will be submitting an entry and we can grant an extension of time until 15<sup>th</sup> February. This will definitely be the last date that they will be accepted.

Our judge for the Award is well known Sydney author, **Dr Noelene Kyle**, who as well as being an avid family history writer herself, has published "Writing Family History Made Very Easy". Her website at <http://www.familyhistorywriting.bigpondhosting.com/> offers many good tips for the budding family storyteller and is well worth a look. Check your local library for her book if you are unable to purchase it in time. Dr Kyle also offers seminars and workshops on writing family history and these dates are listed on her website.

The aim of the award is to put your family stories into print and to share them with the future generations.

When we have received sufficient material we plan to publish the entries as a permanent record and as a supplement to the Pioneer Register published in 2006. Funds raised from the sale of this publication will go towards furthering family history research in Hill End & Tambaroora.

For further details contact Lorraine for an entry form (contact details further on in the newsletter). We are fortunate in that we have had some benefactors, who wish to remain anonymous, who have made donations towards the prizes so it will be worth your while to put pen (or computer) to paper!

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## Condolences

We have been notified of the passing of the following people who were part of Hill End life or descendants of the early pioneers.

**Mrs Joan Thompson**, wife of Fred Thompson of Springwood

**Mrs E Polson** late of Yamba

**Veronica "Ronnie" Tobin** late of Sally's Flat & Bathurst

**Rene Ashe** (late of Bathurst)

**Dot Colley**, wife of Peter Colley passed away in early Nov. Dot taught at the Hill End School for some years

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## New "additions"

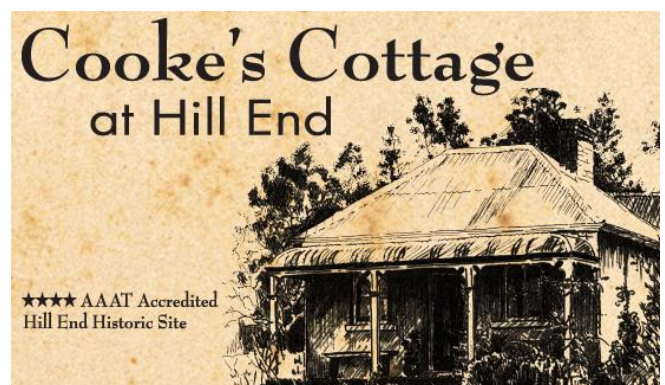
I have been trolling the bookshelves of eBay and the second hand book market and have recently expanded my library to include 2 out of print publications, which may be of interest to Hill End family historians.

The first one, "*The Centenary of Public Education in Hill End, 1870 – 1970*" is a small booklet of 16 pages written by Robert Spencer, the Principal at the time of the school centenary in 1970. This pamphlet includes a list of names on the original enrolment records on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1870 as well as a list of Principals and short biographies of a "select" list of distinguished pupils. It was researched from Departmental records and other sources.

The other publication is "*Ghosts of the Goldfields*", a book of reminiscences" by H H Neary. Subtitled "*Pioneer Diggers and Settlers on the Turon*", it was originally printed in 1940 and was revised and reprinted by Henry Neary's grandchildren in 1983. It covers most of the diggings on the Turon River and is an eclectic mix of tales and facts, with plenty of photos. This is a delightful book full of information about the mines themselves, the characters who lived there, the political and social history, landmarks and legends. Sadly it doesn't have an index (often lacking in many early local histories) so information about your ancestor could be anywhere amongst the 190 pages!

I am happy to browse for specific people if requested but I suggest that if you are really interested then ask for this book on interlibrary loan from your local public library. Well worth the read!

Lorraine



Built in the 1890's, and now owned by Jann & Peter Gallen, the cottage offers fully furnished and equipped, self-catering accommodation for overnight or short breaks.

Jann is offering **special discount rates** to Hill End Gathering Group members if they mention that they saw this article and book directly thru Carla at Hill End on 6337 8338. Further details are available on the Prints and Images website at

<http://www.printsandimages.com.au/>

## Infamous bushranger was part of early Hill End life.



John Vane

**John Vane** spent about 18 months on the Turon gold fields before moving to the Hill End diggings. He gave this life up for one of cattle duffing, and then later joined Ben Hall and his gang. His life was even immortalized on the silver screen in the film The Life and Adventures of John Vane, the Australian Bushranger, which was made in 1910.

Charles White also recounts first hand experiences of the bushranger's exploits in the book, "John Vane, Bushranger". As a police roundsman for the *Free Press*, Charles White reported the activities of the bushrangers John Gilbert, Ben Hall, Frank Gardiner and John Vane, and he began to collect 'oldest inhabitant (and convict) stories'.

On the death of his father in 1884, White became editor of the *Free Press*. An historian at heart, he meticulously collected material for future use. He discussed the bushranging days at length with Nat Gould in Bathurst, and later was visited by Vane who gave him first-hand information of the hold-ups he had participated in. Under his pseudonym, 'The Chatterer', White compiled full-scale histories of the Aborigines, convicts, bushrangers and early governors which were serialized in the *Free Press* in 1888-93. In Bathurst in 1889 he published *Early Australian History. Convict Life in New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land*, Parts I & II, and in 1891 Part IV, *The Story of the Bushrangers*. He later published various parts of his *Early Australian History* separately and under different titles, including a *History of Australian Bushranging* (1900-1903).



## What gender is a computer?



I thought this following article was worthy of sharing with the Gathering Group members....It was reprinted from the April 2006 edition of *Australian Family Tree Connections Magazine*.

A Spanish teacher was explaining to her class that Spanish nouns are either masculine or feminine. A student asked, "What gender is *computer*?" The teacher split the class into two groups, male and female, and asked them to decline the word "*computer*" and decide if it should be masculine or

feminine. Each group was asked to give 4 reasons for its recommendation.

The men's group decided that a computer should definitely be of the feminine gender (*la computadora*) because:

1. No-one but their creator understands their internal logic
2. The language they use to communicate with other computers is incomprehensible to everyone else
3. Even the smallest mistakes are sorted in the long-term memory for possible later retrieval
4. As soon as you make a commitment to one, you find yourself spending half your pay on accessories for it.

The women's group, however, concluded that computers should be masculine (*el computador*) because

1. In order to do anything with them, you have to turn them on
2. They have a lot of data but still can't think for themselves
3. They are supposed to help you solve problems, but half the time they ARE the problem
4. As soon as you commit to one, you realize that if you had waited a little longer, you could have got a better model!

I'll leave it to you to decide...

In the meantime if you have any Christmas money left over, a subscription to *Australian Family Tree Connections Magazine* (<http://www.aftc.com.au/>) is money well spent. It is an independent monthly magazine which caters especially to Australian and New Zealand family historians.

As well as receiving a discount for belonging to the Hill End & Tambaroora Gathering Group we are pleased to announce that Australian Family Tree Magazine is a sponsor of our Family History Expo and has provided a 12-month subscription to be offered as a prize during the event. If you don't have a computer see if a copy is available at your newsagent or local library.

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the Australian and New Zealand  
family historians



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## New group on the block....

### *The Hill End Arts Council Incorporated*



On September 17 2007, a public notice was posted, inviting all interested parties to attend the initial meeting at the Royal Hall, Hill End on Sept. 26.

*'As a non profit incorporated body, The Hill End Arts Council Incorporated aims to promote and foster a range of creative activities that will include exhibitions, concerts and workshops, as well as undertaking fund raising activities and educational programs.'*

*'Recognising the long standing tradition of artists in the Hill End community, the Council will work to preserve the aesthetic heritage and artistic tradition synonymous with the region's history.'*

The Hill End Arts Council has approached both the National Parks & Wildlife Service and Bathurst Regional Council to highlight matters that have for sometime been overlooked or neglected. Examples of said, being the restoration of the Royal Hotel sign done by Donald Friend in the 1950's.



#### **Membership Enquiries for the Arts Council should be directed to**

Maggie Todd ph. 02 63378321  
Mail: Bowman's Cottage Hill End 2850  
Email- [wilsontodd@bigpond.com](mailto:wilsontodd@bigpond.com)

## Hill End Family History



The Hon Frank Sartor MP recently presented Daphne Shead with a Heritage Volunteer Award at Parliament House Sydney for her work in the area of family history in Hill End.

Daphne has been a valuable member of the Hill End community for 20 years with many family links to the Central West so it was not surprising that the Hill End/Tambaroora Progress Association invited her to become the district's official Family Historian.

She devotes many hours to researching, teaching and promoting the Hill End Family History Register - in fact almost every Saturday you will find Daphne at the Hill End Visitor's Centre. In the past couple of years Daphne has catalogued thousands of family names; this has also led her to catalogue State Heritage Register buildings and movable heritage items.

Daphne writes for the community newsletter "The Stamper Battery", on Hill End's colourful history and maintains a website. She also finds time to volunteer as a teacher of family history research to students at the Dubbo School of Distance Education and Hill End Public School.

#### ***Well done, Daphne!***

The Hill End Family History research room is located at the **rear of the Visitors Centre** and is open every Saturday  
10am to 4pm.

For enquiries contact Daphne  
Email - [hefh@bluemaxx.com.au](mailto:hefh@bluemaxx.com.au)  
Phone - 02-63378218 after 6:30pm  
or try your luck with 0429335627  
from 11am to 3pm.

For further information check out Daphne's website at  
<http://www.hillendfamilyhistory.com>



## Thoughts from a bygone era

Vivienne (Biddy) Marshall (nee Pomfret) recorded the following memories back in 1998. Biddy was Glendora Lawson's granddaughter and used to spend her holidays with her grandmother in Hill End in the 1920's.



Glendora Lawson

Does any child mark off all the days on the calendar to December 18? Going up to Hill End for 6 glorious weeks of Christmas holidays! The excitement, Mum putting me in care of the guard on the old steam train to Bathurst, Bob Flynn instructed to meet the train with his huge old car. Passengers hanging grimly on going around Monkey's Wyagdon Hills....and these were the running board passengers! I was in the front seat, with the pink ribbons on my new hat flapping him in the face. Indeed, a man of patience. Such a long trip, it seemed like an eternity, the tossing off of the bread and messages along the road. By now, nearly 10pm, straining to get the first glimpse of the big old pine trees of Hill End.

My Gran, Mrs Glendora Lawson, would have a huge fire going, as nights there are very cool. To me, I was home, to wake in the morning to hear, to me, the music of the crows, the chooks, and the terrifying turkey gobbler. Never did like the Guinea fowls! So much to do, checking out the plum, apple, apricot and cherry trees, waiting for the chooks to lay. I don't think skies were ever as blue or air so fresh and to see the poppet heads, alas all gone now. Off around with the billy can to Alders at the bottom of Bald Hill, reckon I skipped all the way for the milk and to see Mrs Alder with her hair wound around her ears and see the beautiful grapes hanging in big blue green bunches.

Now, I have always been a reader. Old Harry Garner would say I needed an iron band around my head to keep all the knowledge in. I would purloin Gran's *Peg's Papers*, *Silver Stars* and *Oracles*, (small romance novelettes, similar to Mills & Boons stories) go down and lay in Specimen Gully. Ignore Gran's shrill calls for help in the kitchen. Even today the smell of Essence of Lemon transports me back to that big old kitchen. Old Chip, the Chinaman, would call with vegetables in his horse drawn cart. For old Aub, the peddler, to call with his van was a great event.

It was fun to go down to the river camping. I was all right going down, my poor uncle, Bob Lawson, (later a POW in Changi) had to piggyback me up Hawkins Hill, howling my head off. No way would I or could I walk up that hill.

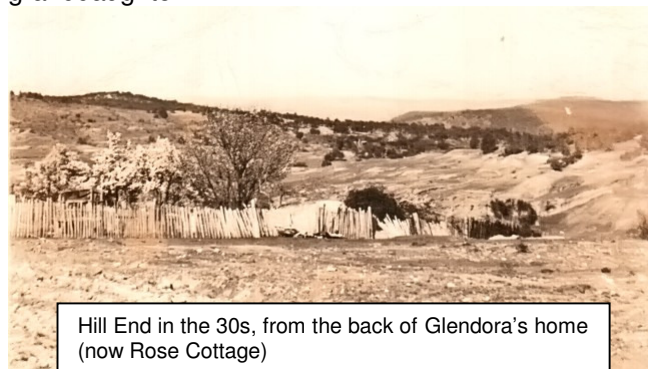
In those days clothes were pretty scarce, the embarrassment when Gran let down the hem of my navy Trobralco (a type of linen) school uniform and it was dark blue against the faded part. Gran in her

imperious voice saying, "My girl, you must be above such things", then off to Beeches Emporium where she treated me to a pair of patent leather shoes. How I loved those shoes, took them to bed with me (as did my own daughter, Glen, when she was tiny).

I used to go with her, she dressed with long starched white apron and mop cap to match with a basket of goodies, covered also with starched cloth, up the Avenue, to people poorer than us.

My friends and I were not angels, in those days there would be mutterings of "coming to a bad end" for such misdemeanours as throwing snowballs into the long suffering Chinaman's store. I can recall Mrs Frenzel's granddaughter, Gladdy, and I tossing "Packet" Thompson in a puddle on the Post Office Flat because he had given us two sedate young ladies some lip!

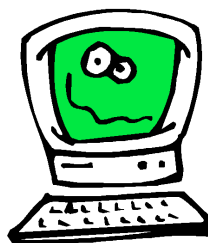
As I grew older my Aunt Edie and I used to go visiting on New Year's Eve. This particular night, we were visiting at Beatties and we were regaled with a big glass each of very strong lime cordial... it was so strong! Good manners would not allow us to ask for it to be watered down so I said to Edie "I am not thirsty, you can have mine", a wonder I survived that episode. I am old now but so thankful of my memories of seeing Gran going off through the snow with hurricane lanterns to deliver a baby. One of my most treasured possessions is her rolling pin, which will go to my granddaughter.



Hill End in the 30s, from the back of Glendora's home (now Rose Cottage)



## Can you help?



### Some things just become overwhelming!

As mentioned in our last newsletter we are working on a website. With all that has been involved in getting the Expo up and running I have not been able to give it the time needed and I am hoping there may be a member of the Group with the skills, time and inclination, who is willing to take over the liaison with our webmaster so we can get it up and running as soon as possible. Much of the work has been done already but I need someone who can just take over the finishing details... **Can YOU help?**

Ring or email Lorraine for more details.



## Family History Expo sponsors and contributors

In anticipation of their support for our upcoming Expo we feel that it is fitting we acknowledge the assistance given to us by a number of individuals, organizations and businesses associated with Hill End and Tambaroora or family history in general.

### Our Sunday speakers

#### **Bill Maris**

Bill can trace his ancestry in the area back to 1852. His ancestors were immigrants from Cambridgeshire and America. His ancestor John Maris died there in 1853. John's family continued to live there for many years and were miners and businessmen. Bill was taken to Hill End by his father as a child and later had many holidays there. Over the years he and Betty his wife have collected stories and memorabilia about the people of the town and they were the organizers of the Annual Gathering in the Sydney Botanic Gardens for more than 40 years.

#### **Gavin Wilson**

Gavin Wilson is a leading independent curator of Australian art, landscape architect and author, now living in Hill End. He is the consultant curator for the Hill End Artists-in-Residence Program and author of "The Artists of Hill End"

#### **The Teapot Genies**

Kaye Vernon and Billie Jacobsen are enthusiastic about their genealogy and sharing their research techniques. They have produced *The Family Tree Checklist* and a number of CDs Indexes to records in the State Archives and have sponsored our newsletter. Check out their website at <http://www.bananatv.com/family/aboutus.htm>

#### **Jann Gallen**

Jann Gallen is a local businesswoman, family history researcher and keen archivist with a passion for Hill End. She has combined these aspects into her business - Digital Prints & Images - in Bathurst, and will present a short talk about preserving and archiving historical photographs and documents, A US citizen by birth, raised by her Aussie mum to 'go home one day', Jann and her family have lived in the area for the last 15 years, since she and her husband, Peter, bought and restored "Cooke's Cottage" at Hill End. Yes, she still sounds like a "Yank", even after all this time!

### Other Supporters

#### **Hill End Gold**

We are very grateful to Hill End Gold who has made a financial donation of \$500.00 towards the Family History Expo. For an in-depth view of mining in 2008 see their website at <http://www.hillendgold.com.au/>. Our ancestors would turn in their graves if they could see the resources and facilities available today!

#### **Hill End Progress Association and Friends of Craigmoor.**

Volunteers from these organizations will be giving their time and expertise over the weekend as guides on the various tours throughout the village. The Friends were also recently the recipients of a Volunteer Heritage Award presented by the NSW Heritage Office for their work at Craigmoor. Their website at <http://www.hillend.org> will give you all you need to know about the place.

#### **Australian Family Tree Connections Magazine**

As previously mentioned they have donated a 12 month subscription to their magazine for a prize.

**Digital prints and Images**, also the NSW Regional Stockist for Albox archival storage solutions will have a display stand and are contributing 2 prizes to the expo.

- (1) Digital photo restoration to the value of \$100
- (2) One canvas or fine art paper print to the value of \$130 (max size 18"x 24"), gallery wrapped on 100% cotton acid-free canvas or conservation mounted for framing, scanning included.

We have also had confirmation that **Bathurst Regional Library, Mudgee Library, Bathurst Family History Group and Mudgee Historical Society** will also be attending on Saturday and providing displays.

Joy Murrin Family History Services, Marbract Transcription Agents and The Teapot Genies will also mount displays.

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### **Many thanks**

Donations have been received from the following towards expenses incurred in producing this newsletter. Their support is much appreciated.

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| Joyce Millen   | Errol & Marie Nightingale |
| Biddy Marshall | Ken Miles                 |
| Alison Gibson  | Gordon Warry              |
| Lesley Smith   |                           |

### **Don't forget!!**

To continue receiving your newsletter, please remember to tell us if you change your contact details including address, phone or email.

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Contact details for the

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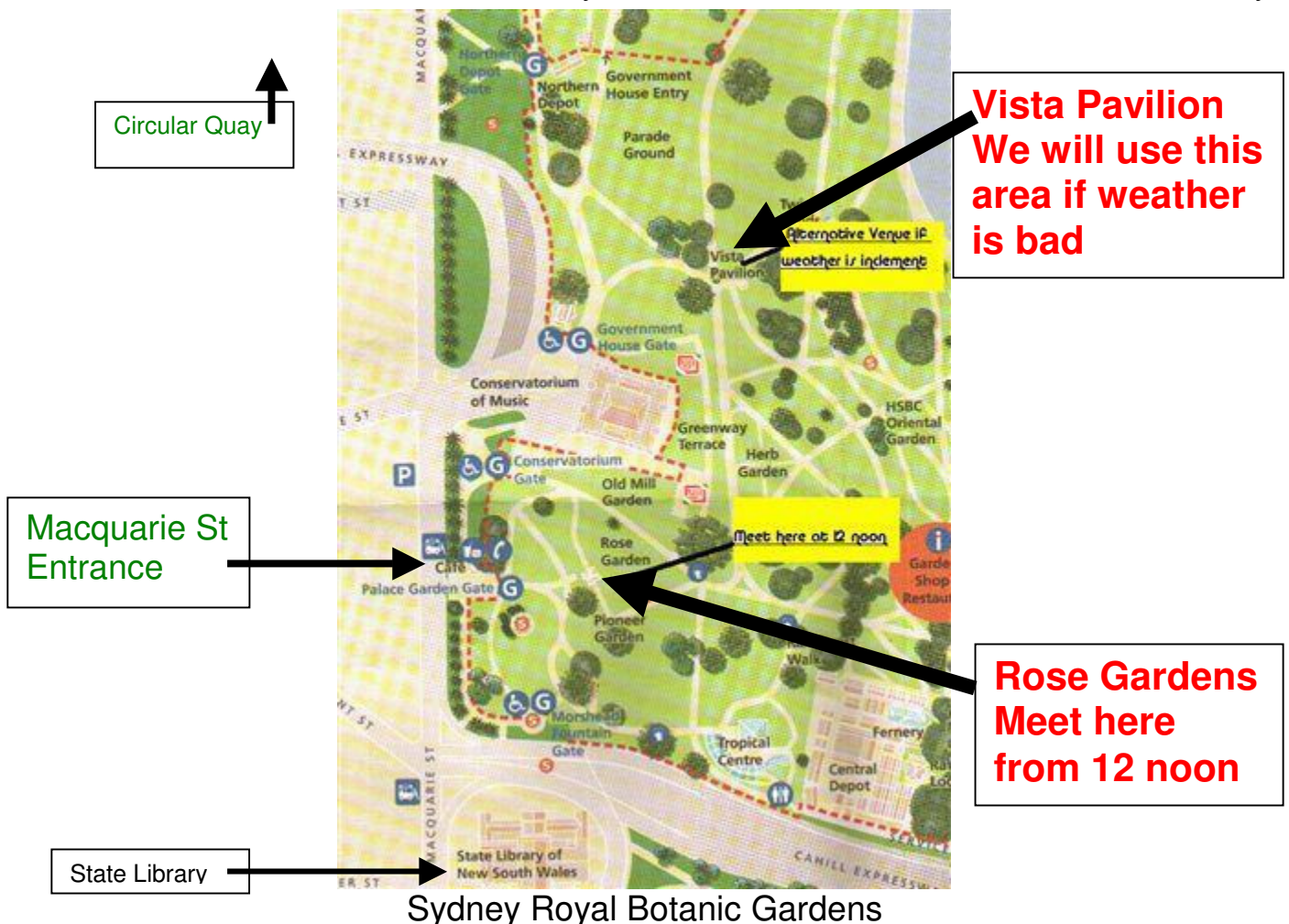
# The Gathering in the Gardens

As they have done for the past 60+ years, people will be gathering on **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2008** at the **Rose Gardens** in the **Sydney Royal Botanic Gardens**, from around **12 noon onwards**.

## Please note possible change of venue!

As the Rose Pavilion has been booked for weddings we will not be able to use it however we will still meet in the Rose Gardens and will move to the Vista Pavilion (approx 5 mins walk away) if the weather is inclement.

The Rose Garden is best approached from the **Palace Garden Gate entrance in Macquarie St**, about half way between the Conservatorium of Music and the State Library. There is a parking station almost opposite the main gates and also street parking meters in Macquarie Street. It is about 5 mins walk from Martin Place Railway Station and about 10 mins walk from Circular Quay.



## **PLEASE NOTE POSSIBLE CHANGE OF VENUE in case of bad weather.**

Some people bring **lunch** and others arrive with **afternoon tea**... it is a very free form gathering and is an excellent opportunity for those with ancestors from the region to meet with others who have a similar interest. Initially started as a reunion for those who lived in the area to get together, the Gathering is gradually evolving into a meeting place for those with links to the district to join in as well and share their experiences and family history research.

## What do people bring?

As in the past years the following suggestions are a few ideas that have come to mind....

- As we will not be assured of seating you will need to bring a folding chair or lightweight picnic chairs/table or picnic rug etc. There is some VERY limited seating available in the Vista Pavilion if we need to use it as a last resort. Remember you will have to carry them into the Gardens, as there is no vehicle access. (Suggestion: load up granny's shopping trolley!)
- Bring your lunch, afternoon tea, and whatever "refreshments" needed to sustain you for the afternoon. There is a small kiosk just outside the Palace Garden Gates and coffee and soft drinks etc are available there for purchase for those travelling a long distance and who don't want to bring them.
- Bring a couple of copies of the "potted" version of your family history, including photos (but remember that old ones are easily damaged by handling, so perhaps now is a good time to have copies made and **these** can be made available for others to have a look at - **leave the originals at home!**) This may be an opportunity to swap stories and information.
- Wear a name label with your name on it, (in **LARGE PRINT** so others can read it without glasses!) and also the main family names that you are associated with. Maybe a large sign, with the family name, that can be put on your "campsite" so that others can make themselves known to you as well.
- Notepad and pens etc to jot down the contacts if necessary and camera to get that memorable shot. If you have the opportunity to prepare a small "handout" that gives your **name and contact details and the families that you are interested in** (no more than a page), it may be worthwhile. Make a few copies of this that can then be swapped if you find others have a similar interest. - saves a lot of writing down in the excitement of the moment after meeting others who are researching the same family.
- Don't forget the hat and sunscreen in case the weather is a little warm.... And rain gear or umbrella if it is overcast.

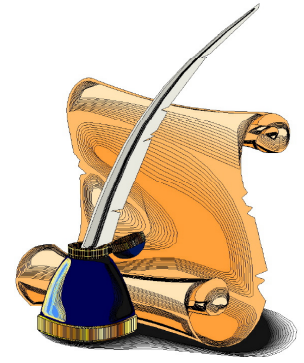
So, there you have it! This may be an opportunity to meet the faces that match many of the names we have been corresponding with in the past 12 months. As it is a very informal get together there is no need to "book" to come to the gathering, however if you would like to ring or email to let me know you will be attending I would appreciate this.

Contact **Lorraine** on **95870352** or via email to **heatgg@yahoo.com.au**





# The Inaugural Hill End & Tambaroora Family Story Award



**The intention of this award is to honour our ancestors by recording their lives in prose format, mixing recordable facts with maybe a little bit of fiction/faction, in a way that brings them to life.**

The Hill End & Tambaroora Gathering Group intends to publish the entries as a permanent record and to supplement to the Pioneer Register, which was published in 2006.

## COMPETITION CONDITIONS

- 1** The competition will be judged to select, in the opinion of the judges, the best prose article incorporating verifiable biographical data about a Hill End or Tambaroora personality or family.
- 2** Entries should be based on fact as much as possible, to a maximum of 2000 words plus bibliography. All sources relied upon in the text should be listed in the bibliography and noted if copies of original certificates or sources are held by the author.
- 3** A maximum of 2 photographs relevant to the story may accompany each entry. Written permission of the copyright holders of the photographs must be included. (Including Holtermann photographs from the State Library of NSW).
- 4** Entries must be original, not have been previously published for cash payment, nor have been awarded first prize in any other written competition at the closing date of this competition.
- 5** An entry fee of \$5.00 must accompany each entry, along with an entry form (in a sealed envelope) for each piece of work. Write a "pen name" on the outside of the envelope.
- 6** Entries should be typed on one side only of white A4 paper. No names on the entry, only on the entry form. Entrants should maintain a copy, as no entries will be returned.
- 7** All entries, including the entry fee and entry form, are to be posted to:  
The Convener,  
Hill End & Tambaroora Gathering Group  
12 Grantham St  
Carlton NSW 2218
- 8** Further information may be obtained from the Convener at the above address or  
Telephone: (02) 95870352 (Sydney) Email: [heatgg@yahoo.com.au](mailto:heatgg@yahoo.com.au)  
Enquiries can also be made to Daphne at Hill End Family History Room in the Hill End Museum or phone (02) 63378218 after 6:30pm (Hill End)
- 9** **Entries close 31<sup>st</sup> January 2008** . Please let the organizers know by this date if you are entering. Late entries will be received up until 15<sup>th</sup> Feb.

**10** The winners will be notified by telephone and/or email. The announcement and presentation of the Awards will be at the Hill End & Tambaroora Family History Expo Dinner on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2008.

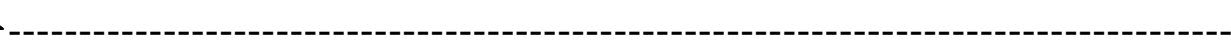
**11** Entrants also give permission for the entries to be displayed at the Dinner, published in a book by the Hill End & Tambaroora Gathering Group and used in media promotions. Copyright remains with the author.

**12** Prizes will be:

- First prize –\$100.00 & Certificate.
- Second prize – \$75.00 & Certificate.
- Third prize – \$50.00 & Certificate.
- Certificates – Highly Commended and Commended Certificates will be awarded at the judge’s discretion.

**13** The judge’s decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

**14** Before being given to the judge, each entry will be given a running number so that those doing the judging do not know whose manuscript they are assessing. **Do not include your name on the manuscript.** Once a decision is made we will identify the winners by the matching the number on the manuscript and the number on the envelopes.



## Entry Form

I have read, understand and agree to the entry conditions outlined above.

Signed.....Date.....

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| Name                                                                                                 |  |
| Address                                                                                              |  |
| Phone                                                                                                |  |
| Email                                                                                                |  |
| Entry Title                                                                                          |  |
| \$5 entry fee included                                                                               |  |
| Cash, cheque or money order ( <i>payable to Hill End &amp; Tambaroora Pioneer Register Account</i> ) |  |

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# Hill End & Tambaroora Family History Expo

5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> April 2008  
Royal Hall, Hill End NSW

## Last Chance Package

Whilst our Accommodation and Gathering Dinner at the Lodge is now fully booked we still have seats left on the coach so if you can arrange your own accommodation, (we suggest you try The Ranch, phone 63378224 or The Royal Hotel, phone 63378261) we have come up with a last chance package which may suit your needs for the weekend. Full payment for the Last Chance package booking is \$145 per head and this must be received by 3rd March. Places will be allocated on a *first come first served* basis. Please contact me ASAP by phone, mail or email to see if there are any vacancies available. A waiting list may also be created if there is a demand.

Last chance package\* (Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April – Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April) package includes:

- Luxury coach travel from Sydney (Central Station) on Friday evening to Hill End and returning on Sunday (Pickups & drop off en route may be possible)
- Light lunch on Saturday & Sunday
- Guided coach tour of the town on Saturday afternoon
- Guided tour of Craigmoor on Saturday morning
- Unlimited weekend entry to the National Parks and Wildlife Museum
- Guided coach tour to Tambaroora Cemetery on Sunday morning
- Entry to Expo Display and seminars in Royal Hall over the entire weekend.

To ensure a place in the Last Chance Package this booking form **MUST** be completed and returned with the full payment of \$145 per head ASAP. Closing date is 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2008 if not sold out beforehand. Refunds can only be made after this date if we are able to fill your vacancy from our waiting list.

### Booking Form

I wish to make ..... booking/s for the Hill End & Tambaroora Gathering Group Family History Expo

### Last chance Package

Name:.....

Please PRINT CLEARLY

Street Address.....

City.....State.....Postcode.....

Phone No: Home (.....).....Work(.....).....Mobile.....

Email.....

Please PRINT CLEARLY

I have enclosed the full amount of \$145 per head TOTAL: \$.....

\*Package costs include all activities and there will be no discount if you do not join in a particular activity. This is your choice.

Signed:.....Date.....

Cheque or money order should be made out to  
**Hill End & Tambaroora Reunion**

Post to:  
Hill End & Tambaroora Gathering Group  
12 Grantham St  
Carlton NSW 2218

Enquiries & phone reservations to Lorraine Purcell (02 95870352)  
or [heatqq@yahoo.com.au](mailto:heatqq@yahoo.com.au)

## **Hill End & Tambaroora Family History Expo Program**

*This is the program at the time of printing and we hope there will be others contributing as well. As all participants are volunteering their services we reserve the right to change activities and speakers if circumstances alter however we will endeavour to make similar substitutions if necessary.*

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2008**

10am - 4pm

**Venue: Royal Hall**

**Displays by:**

**Hill End Family History  
Hill End Tambaroora Gathering Group  
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Bathurst Family History Group,  
Mudgee Historical Society,  
Bathurst Regional Library,  
Mudgee Shire Library.**

**During the day the following activities have been planned for the Expo participants:**

- Coach tour of the town
- Visit to National Parks & Wildlife Museum
- Free time to wander around the town
- Opportunity to visit the art galleries etc
- Special tour of **Craigmoor**, built 1875.

Once the home of a successful mining family, this two-storied wooden house dwarfs the surrounding humble miners cottages. A museum in itself, the interior and furnishings have not been altered since its heyday. Recognized by the Historic Houses Trust as one of the most significant historic houses in NSW. To aid the house's preservation, it is rarely open to the public, and then only in small guided groups, truly a unique opportunity.

For those participants wishing to explore the area themselves there will be a self-drive map available and a visit to History Hill, just 2kms on the Bathurst Road is always worth while.

**Throughout the weekend all participants are free to wander the town and enjoy the other attractions offered in the area.**

**Saturday evening**

6.30pm - 11pm

**Venue: Hill End Lodge  
Gathering Dinner**

*(This dinner is now fully booked out).*

The resident chef will present a sumptuous Australian bush style 3-course camp oven dinner. This includes damper, entrée, main course and desserts.

After dinner, from 8pm onwards all visitors to Hill End are invited to join the Gathering in the Function room at the Lodge to continue the conversations. Bring along your family photos and stories.

The winners of the Family Story Award will be announced and prizes presented.

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2008**

**Cemetery tour**

8.45 am - 10am

Coach trip & guided tour of the cemeteries at Tambaroora provided by local guide. Individuals traveling in their own vehicles are welcome to make their own way there and join the tour for the cost of a small donation

**Venue: Royal Hall**

10.30am – 1pm

A variety of speakers will talk on a range of subjects

**Speakers**

Bill Maris - Hill End life

Teapot Genies – Family History Research

Gavin Wilson – Art and Hill End

Jann Gallen – Photo restoration and archival storage

**Venue: Royal Hotel**

1pm – 2pm

Lunch at the Pub

**Venue: Royal Hall**

1pm- 4pm

Royal Hall will remain open for further enquiries and Expo photographic display

**Venue: Ackerman's Cottage**

2pm – 3pm

**Special viewing of Ackerman's cottage, for Gathering Group members.**

Thru the kind permission of Lorraine Miller, who now lives there, we are able to view the wonderfully restored home of the Ackerman family. This carefully restored miner's cottage is in the Germantown section of the village and is now a "living" home.

Those traveling on the coach will then depart from the cottage and return to Sydney

