

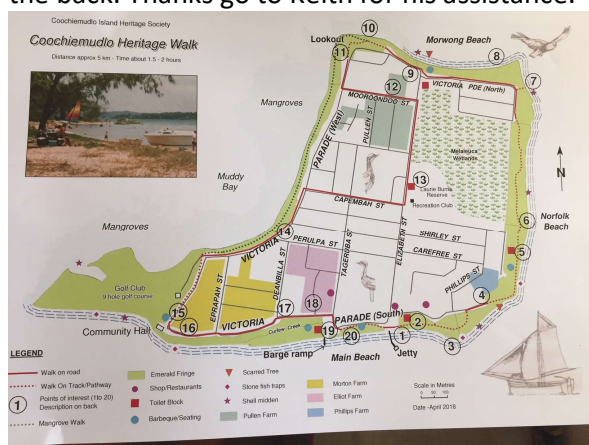
Coochiemudlo Island Heritage Society Inc.

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May 2018 NEWSLETTER

Dear Members and friends, Coochiemudlo's Heritage Society has been carrying out the following activities:

1. **Logos:** Dennis Lack and committee members have been preparing a number of logos and mastheads that we are discussing at the moment. The one above is an example of one of the many suggestions the committee is currently considering. Thank you Dennis for your help! It is much appreciated.
2. **State Heritage listing for the Emerald Fringe:** The Heritage Society sub-committee has submitted its application for State Heritage Listing for the Emerald Fringe on the 3rd September. It will be advertised in the Courier Mail and online, and there is provision to input your views so we will be looking for support from as many of our members and the community as possible.
3. **Coochiemudlo Heritage Walk:** Keith Slack prepared an attractive map of the island laying out a heritage walk around the island with twenty locations to stop and learn about the island's history. Information about the twenty locations is on the back of the map. Maps will be available at the Kiosk and Red Rock café for a dollar donation to the society, and there will be laminated copies available at the Heritage display during market days for two dollars. Already visitors to the island have appreciated our Heritage self-guided walking maps packed with information on the back. Thanks go to Keith for his assistance.



4. **The Scanning and cataloguing of our collection:** Grant applications have been prepared to buy a scanner, computer, a storage hard drive and software to electronically store our collection. We are also cataloguing the Heritage Society's collection in line with the Redlands Museum and Library systems so the collection will be able to be linked electronically with their collections, and can then be accessed on line.
5. **History Room 'Open Day':** On Saturday 28th April we opened the History room from 9.00 to 11.00 am. We were pleasantly surprised to have several people calling in to look at our library, photograph items in our collection, to offer us items, and to discuss a variety of historical

matters. The committee is planning to invite long term residents on Coochiemudlo to share their stories with the public at future History room open days.

6. **Matthew Flinders Birthday:** On Friday 16th March from 6-8 pm a wine and cheese night at Gindabara was held. Dr Mark Pillsworth gave a most informative talk on the numerous changes to the landscape around the Redlands and the climatic changes that have taken place over the centuries.



7. **Redland Cultural Heritage Network:** On Wednesday the 18th April, the Redlands Cultural Heritage Network members visited Coochiemudlo Island and after a welcome by the President, were given a bus tour by David Paxton, and were briefed on the Emerald Fringe Heritage application by Jan Macintyre.



8. **Matthew Flinders Week:** We will be holding our usual Matthew Flinders Dinner on Saturday 7th July at the Community Hall upstairs as well as assisting the Progress Association with the re-enactment and parade activities planned for the day. We have been advised that this year the main theme will be “recognition of histories” as a way of presenting all of the island’s histories. Other social evenings are being considered.
9. **Island Walk Aounds:** we are planning group walks around the island explaining aboriginal sites, early settler farm sites, the island’s flora and fauna, where jetties once were, the Island’s war history, and the dates of current developments on the island. We also currently conduct bus ‘heritage’ tours for visitors to the island.
10. **AGM:** this is currently scheduled for the 21st October in the community Hall.
11. **VALE:** condolences to the family and friends of Patricia Screen one of the Society’s life members. Our thoughts are also with Nora Allen and Margaret Walker who are in nursing homes.

Members and volunteers to assist in any of our activities are welcomed with open arms.

Keith Stebbins, President