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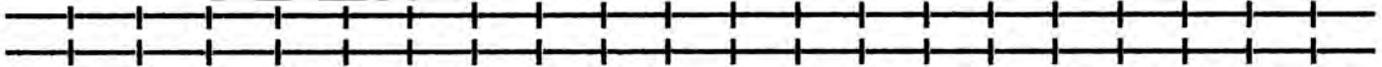
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Welcome to our latest newsletter. Included are a few items of interest to bring you up to date with our group's activities.

MEMBERSHIP: To continue to be a viable group, it is critical that we have more active members. We appeal to you to spread the word among your friends and neighbors and help us with our recruitment drive. Also we would like to see more of our current members becoming actively involved in the various BPHTI activities. At present, there is just a small few who are involved in everything.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP: Garth and Myra Fraser have been awarded Life Membership.

BIG NEWS: Krauss Display Site Central Buderim



On 12 December, Council voted unanimously to approve the Buderim Tramway's project to display the Krauss loco in central Buderim. Thanks to Noel we had excellent media coverage in the Buderim Chronicle and on Channel 7. We also have had a very generous donation of \$20,000 from Garth & Myra Fraser. This now gives us a total of \$54,250 towards the \$350,000 to \$375,000 needed. Now is the time to actively seek support from the community to pledge substantial donations towards our goal. Please help us.

Pictured are Helene, Cr Ted Hungerford, Neil & Noel at the post meeting celebrations.

PARTICIPATION

Nambour Museum Open Day - Saturday 30 November

Gov. Penelope Wensley launched Museum President Clive Plater's book about locomotives of the Moreton Central Sugar Mill. Our display attracted a lot of attention with sales of DVDs, contacts/photos and historical information gathered. Thanks to Neil and Jean who attended a gathering on Saturday night, Nov 30th, at Clive Plater's Eudlo home to share information about the Buderim Tramway.

LocoShed Tramway Walk - Sunday 1 December 2013

Neil, Bruce, Trevor and Garry took a group from the Sydney based LocoShed for a walk along the Telco Rd walking track on Sunday Dec 1st. The group had come up for the Nambour Museum Open Day. They were more than impressed with the track and President Brad Peadon sent the following email to Neil McGarvie::

The day was simply perfect for the walk. Having seen what you guys have done, I really cannot come up with words that I feel suitable enough to express my amazement.

Your group has made a 'beyond belief' effort to not only make one of the most beautiful walking tracks I have ever seen, but to return a bit of important local history to us. I knew little of the Buderim Tramway, certainly nothing of how it would feel to ride it, until that walk. Your work is, quite simply, inspiring. On top of this, all the people I met from your group were just wonderful and kind.

Pictured: Neil, Trevor, and Gary with LocoShed members.



Buderim Historical Society -Treasure & Trash Sale 8 February 2014



The event was to raise money for the restoration of the WW1 Red Ensign flag at the cottage. BPHTI were invited to hold a sausage sizzle, which was well patronized. We also took the opportunity to sell some tramway souvenirs and to give away lots of our tramway stickers. The marquee was lent from Steve Dickson's MP office.

Pictured: Charlie, Bruce, Noel, Gary, Neil and Jean

Buderim View Club Track Walk

16 ladies took part on Wednesday 19 March. Thanks to the organiser Janette Horton, and our guides Bruce and Neil. The walk resulted in a \$33 donation.

As a result of the publicity the walk generated, we will be also be guiding the ladies from the Twin Waters View Club on the walk in the near future.

CHRISTMAS PARTY



Steve Dickson MP, Mayor Mark Jamieson and his wife Lorrell and Councillors Ted Hungerford and Christian Dickson joined with our members to celebrate a successful year. A highlight was the premiere performance of "Buderim Mountain Choo Choo" written by Vice-President Noel Williams and sung by Noel accompanied by Alan Winter. It tells the story of a trip up to Buderim on the tramway. Thanks to Noel who submitted an article/photo to the Chronicle.

Pictured: Bill, Helene, Lois & Mayor Mark Jamieson

SUPPORT OUR UPCOMING EVENTS

Nambour Museum Open Day - Saturday - 12 April - 10am – 4pm

BPHTI will provide information/display at the "Special Open Day".

Lions Fair –Easter Saturday – 19 April – 8am to 3pm at Buderim Village Hall

BPHTI will have a stall selling second-hand books as well as our expanded stock of train memorabilia such as DVDs of the Tramway Book, postcards, pens, wooden and plastic train whistles, wind-up toy train & maps. Please make a point of visiting the stall.

Corporate Function Wises Farm – 2nd May

The operators of businesses in the 4556 postcode, as well as all members and other Buderim notables have been invited to a cocktail type function to get up close and personal with the loco at Wises farm on Friday 2nd May.

After guests have oohed and aahed over the loco we will move up to the old restaurant area for more drinks and eats and the formalities of the evening. Entertainment will be provided by Ken O'Flaherty and it will include our theme song "Buderim Mountain Choo Choo" and the Buderim premiere of the new Tramway song that Noel Williams has written called "Buderim's The Place". This is going to be a great evening, so don't miss it. If you haven't received an invitation, either by email or post, please contact Helene.

We have several sponsorship/donation levels for this fundraiser event.

General Managers	\$25,000 and above.
Station Master	\$15,000
Engine Driver	\$10,000
Fireman	\$7,000
Conductor	\$5,000
Guard	\$2,500
Porter	\$1,000
Passenger	\$500

FUNDRAISING



Fundraising Thermometer

- The Council has provided (out of the funds allocated by Cr. Christian Dickson) a Fundraising Thermometer to show the progress of our fundraising.
- BWMCA have given approval for us to place the thermometer near the O.P.O. so that it can be clearly seen by everyone coming down the street.
- \$54,250 will appear on thermometer as current fundraising balance.

Picture: A diagram of the proposed thermometer display taken from the Council's information.

Grants: - The following grants have been applied for:

- Jupiter's Casino Community Benefit Fund - \$75,000.
Thanks to our referees - Prue Cawley, Simon Whittle and Ted Hungerford.
- Community Heritage Grant to cover our "Significance Assessment" of the Krauss. (see below).

Thanks to our local Councillors Christian Dickson and Ted Hungerford who have supported the project and donated funds towards the display site.

Heritage Register: We were extremely disappointed to have only recently discovered that our project does not qualify for State Government or Council heritage grants because current legislation and by-laws do not provide for grants for "objects" such as the Krauss. The Dept. of Environment & Heritage advised that provisions for listing objects are not included in the *QLD Heritage Act* because there are more appropriate ways to conserve significant objects. The Qld Museum takes the lead role in conserving items in Queensland and we have been in contact with Josh Tarrant, Museum Development Officer. We are in the process of working with Josh in preparing a "Statement of Significance" for the Krauss. Once this is received we will be able to apply for Heritage Funding but the delay in finding out about it has cost us valuable time.

PUBLICATIONS

- We are in the process of creating a 36 page booklet based Neil & Garth's Buderim Tramway Book.
- We are also in the process of creating a Walking Track Brochure that will combine the current Walking Track brochure and the Village Walking Trail brochure.
- Post cards – 5 historic photos in Black & White plus 2 recent photos in colour.
- Neil & Garth's Tramway Book is out of print, but is now available on DVD

WALKING TRACK

The walking track continues to grow in popularity, with many locals and visitors using the track to explore the Tramway's history and to enjoy a relaxing and not too energetic walk through the regrowth forest.

Up to now, a small number of our members has been attending to track maintenance but we are presently in negotiations with Council with a view to their taking over all track maintenance.

We recently wrote to Council through Cr Ted Hungerford in which we made the following points.

- Council's Cultural Heritage Levy is revenue raised specifically to preserve, promote and celebrate cultural heritage. The funding of heritage walks are included in the Cultural Heritage Levy's 3 year indicative program. Has the Telco Walking track been included in this 3 year program?
- We request a detailed plan of the Telco Walking track be prepared that contains time frames, costs, funding options, extensions, acquisitions, promotion, car park etc. so that Buderim – Palmwoods Heritage Tramway Inc., has a clear vision as to its future.

WEBSITES

[Sustainable Sunshine Coast](http://www.sustainableSunshineCoast.com.au) is the 'go-to' website when it comes to information and resources that are both Sunshine Coast relevant and easily accessible. The website offers regular updates on upcoming local events, as well as a means to network with a variety of local community groups. The Sustainable Sunshine Coast portal is a partnership between the University of the Sunshine Coast, Sunshine Coast Council, and Sunshine Coast TAFE.

Visit www.sustainableSunshineCoast.com.au
<https://www.facebook.com/SustainableSunshineCoast?ref=hl>

BPHTI Web Site. We continue to develop our website.

Our web address is <http://www.buderim.qld.au/tram>

Why not try it out for us. Any comments or suggestions on possible improvements gratefully received. Contact either Helene Cronin or Bruce Horton with your suggestions. Note our new email address. We can be contacted on: tram@buderim.qld.au

Our Facebook Page. We have set up a Facebook page for the tramway. Check it out at:

<https://www.facebook.com/BPHTI?ref=hl> and if possible, **register a Like** for the site as this helps us get more publicity.

Future Meeting Dates. These meetings are all general meetings and all members are invited (and urged) to attend and contribute your ideas.. Normally meetings are held on the third Friday of the month at 5 pm in the Vise Cottage meeting room at the rear of the Pioneer Cottage, 5 Ballinger Crescent, Buderim. Future dates are as follows

Friday 16th May at 5.00 pm

Friday 20th June at 5.00 pm

Friday 18th July at 5.00 pm

REMEMBER

THIS YEAR IS A MOST IMPORTANT YEAR FOR THE FUTURE OF THE BEAUTIFULLY RESTORED KRAUSS LOCOMOTIVE.

WE MUST RAISE THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF MONEY FROM OUR COMMUNITY SO WE CAN APPLY FOR MATCHING GRANTS FROM THE VARIOUS TIERS OF GOVERNMENT.

WE NEED YOUR HELP.