



# TRAM LINES

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Welcome to our new-look newsletter. We hope you like the new title and layout. Since the last newsletter in April our small committee has been very busy with all the activities you will read about in this edition.

## AGM NOTICE

5.30pm – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> August  
Vise Cottage, rear of Pioneer Cottage  
5 Ballinger Crescent, Buderim

**Come and enjoy some pizza and a glass of  
wine**

### **MEMBERSHIP**

You will remember that the category of Life Membership was included on previous membership renewal forms. Thank you to those of you who have taken up this offer.

### **LIFE MEMBERS - PLEASE IGNORE THE MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM INCLUDED IN THIS NEWSLETTER.**

We would appreciate your continued support for next year. Membership renewals can be made at the AGM. However, if you are unable to attend, we have included a membership renewal form for you to complete. We would also appreciate any extra amount you could give us as a donation to help us cover the many incidental costs associated with running the group. Please post your completed form to the Membership Secretary at PO Box 144 Buderim QLD 4556.

Also, could everyone please encourage any of your friends who are interested in Buderim's tramway heritage & history to join us and become members. The more members we have, the better we can achieve our goals.

### **GRANT APPLICATIONS**

We have been very active making grant applications.

Council

Minor Grant to design/print a new Walk Brochure that combines the two existing brochures into one. This application was successful and we expect this brochure to be available very soon.

State Government

Jupiter's Casino Community Benefit Fund. Unfortunately we were unsuccessful. We intend applying again next year.

Buderim Foundation

We currently have an application in to cover 50% of the costs of producing a 32 page booklet based on our book "The Buderim Palmwoods Tramway" by members Garth Fraser and Neil McGarvie. The original book has sold out.

We applied for the State Government's "Everyone's Environment Grants" only to be informed that our submission was ruled ineligible as the locomotive does not appear on a heritage register. Cr. Hungerford reported that both State and Local Governments list places not objects. We followed this problem up with the Minister Powell at a recent Community Cabinet Meeting at Maroochydore High School on 22 June 2014.

**HERITAGE REGISTER** Better Protect State's Heritage - Andrew Powell (Minister/Environment/Heritage Protection) is reviewing the Qld Heritage Act 1992 to ensure locations/buildings are managed in a responsive and innovative manner. BPHTI forwarded a submission to change the ACT to include OBJECTS.

**NEW COMBINED WALK BROCHURE** A new walk brochure combining the information in our existing two separate brochures is currently being finalised ready for printing. We thank Council for the funding we received from their Minor Grant Program to produce the brochure and we also thank Steve & Karen Chellingworth from Red Lid and past President Paul Brown of Wealth 21 investment services for their generous sponsorship of the brochure.

**VALE** Derek Marshall - BPHTI is deeply saddened by the passing of Derek who was a valued member of our organisation. We know he will be greatly missed by his many friends.

**DIORAMA** Thanks to Garth who is creating a diorama including the Buderim Tramway Station, carriage and Shay locomotive. The level of detail is amazing and his passion is evident in this wonderful miniature masterpiece.

**LOCO DISPLAY** Central Buderim.

- **Fundraising Thermometer** installed Friday 4 July next to the Buderim Walk sign near OPO. Final location agreed on site with BPHTI/BWMCA. BPHTI donated original track lines which add some interest and authenticity. BPHTI members, Buderim businesses and community leaders were invited to the official launch by local State member Steve Dickson MP on Friday July 11 at the Old Post Office, followed by morning tea.
- The Restoration Fund has reached over \$50,000, thanks to generous donations from both State member Steve Dickson MP and Federal member Clive Palmer MP as well as local Buderim residents.
- Donations can now be made in person at the Buderim branch of the Bendigo Bank or by direct bank transfer into BSB 633000 Acct # 152 290 656. If making a direct bank transfer, you need to put your name in the details section and also send your name and address to BPHTI, PO Box 144 Buderim 4556 or by email to tram@buderim.qld.au
- We are very fortunate to have the active support of our elected representatives at local and state level. We thank Steve, Ted and Christian for their great support and encouragement in our efforts to display the restored Krauss locomotive in an attractive building in central Buderim.

**BOTANICAL PROGRAM** A small group of volunteers meet occasionally to keep the entrance to the track looking neat & tidy. This is one area of our activities where we need more helpers. Please think about volunteering. Contact one of the committee whose contact details are in the header if you can help.

## **WALKING TRACK**

Following the de-amalgamation of Noosa from Sunshine Coast Council, Greg Strain, the Council officer who has been working cooperatively with us on track matters for some time, has been relocated. In May we met with Peter Nagel, the Council's project supervisor, to put on record BPHTI plans for the track. Matters/needs included were:-

- **Telco Road Car Park** - The surfacing and delineating of the present car-park with posts to indicate the boundaries/drain. A future walking track from this parking area down beside Mons Rd then across Council land to the abutment and remains of the old 'White Bridge' is planned.
- **Telco Heritage Tree Stump** - Protect this historic stump, with springboard cups/mortices, located on the SCRC road reserve a short distance along Telco Rd from the track entrance.
- **Seats** – Install two new seats at 300m and 1900m as planned earlier.
- **Raised culvert grate at 250m** – The flush mounted grate at this point continues to block and will need to be raised 100mm.
- **Drainage Modification** to avoid gravel/sand on the entrance disabled car-park – In the short term, until surrounding drainage modifications can be addressed, BPHTI will contact Customer Service reporting a blocked drain when the drainage past the entrance is compromised.
- **Private land property** on the track - this extends from the cattle-grid at 1600m for some 80m and SCRC purchase is being investigated.  
**Breaking News.** Cr. Ted Hungerford has secured \$105,000 to purchase the missing part of the Telco track from 1600m, making the entire walking track Council easement. (BPHTI can now mature a plan to have a viewing platform and a raised wooden walkway around the 1600m cattle-grid remains.). The funds for the remaining Telco track portion came from budget, not Heritage Levy.
- **Exit to Owen Creek Rd** - Finalised timing for this could be 2018-19 when development work planning in that area is completed.
- **Connection** of the Telco Rd walking track and the Buderim Village walking track - This matter was raised as a necessary future aim.

**TELCO ROAD STUMP** - An application to have the historic stump and the land surrounding it entered as a State Registered Place in the Queensland Heritage Register was forwarded to Environment and Heritage Protection early in July. The area would be joined to the tramway walking track heritage registered land.

**"WHITE BRIDGE"** - BPHTI is investigating the possibility of having the un-named creek (that flows below the remains of this bridge and then Mons Rd) named 'Telmar' to record both the Telco Rd origin and that it is a tributary of Martins Creek.

## **TRACK WALKS      Recent and Future Visits**

- Society for Growing Australian Plants – On Sunday May 11 members walked the track with BPHTI volunteers. The walk developed into a tramway history/info session with emphasis on good and bad plants.
- Twin Waters View Club - On May 22 we hosted a guided walk along the track.
- Sienna College - We will take Year 2 children for a guided walk in August. The children will also be taken to see the restored Krauss locomotive. This will be the third year for this activity and is one enjoyed by all concerned, guides, teachers and above all the children.

## **CORPORATE EVENT - 2<sup>nd</sup> May Wises Farm**

Sadly the rain may have played a part with 75 attending out of 95 who accepted. By all accounts, it was a success, with many attendees viewing the loco for the first time. A **BIG** thank you to everyone who participated. **Special thanks:** To Noel who did a tremendous job with the Channel 7 interview. Steve Ormerod who captured the night on video, Steve Bass who supplied us with professional photos, Tanya McFadyen for a great night of entertainment, Peter and David Wise for the venue.

## **THE LIONS EASTER FAIR**

Special thanks to Lois for her suggestion we have a stall and to Max that we sell books. Donations: \$153.25, Books: \$250.00, Train Merchandise: \$364.00. Total: \$767.25. Thank you to those who participated.

## **BPHTI WEB SITES, FACEBOOK PAGE & EMAIL.**

Web Address <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. We continue to develop our website with the help of the staff at Red Lid Publishing.

Email Address [tram@buderim.qld.au](mailto:tram@buderim.qld.au)

Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/BPHTI?ref=hl>

We have a Facebook page for the tramway. Check it out at:  
And if possible, **register a Like** for the site as this helps us get more publicity.

## **Australian Rail Trails**

<http://www.railtrails.org.au/trail-descriptions/queensland/south-east-queensland?view=trail&id=228>

We are represented on the Rail Trail website. This is a great website - Check it out.

## **FUTURE MEETING DATES**

- **Friday August 8 at 5.30 pm - Annual General Meeting**
- Friday September 19 at 5.00 pm
- Friday October 17 at 5.00 pm

You are invited to attend these general meetings and contribute your ideas. Normally meetings are held at 5 pm in the Vise Cottage meeting room at the rear of the Pioneer Cottage, 5 Ballinger Crescent, Buderim. Finally, the committee thanks you all for your continued support. Please give serious thought to joining our committee.

## **DON'T FORGET.**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR PIZZA & A GLASS OF WINE AT  
THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
TO BE HELD AT VISE COTTAGE  
AT THE REAR OF THE PIONEER COTTAGE,  
5 BALLINGER CRESCENT, BUDERIM  
AT 5.30 PM ON FRIDAY 8th AUGUST, 2014**

## **AND ALSO**

**NON LIFE MEMBERS, PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP**

**Below are some photos taken at two recent events.**



Steve Dickson & Garth Fraser at the unveiling of the donations progress thermometer



Mike Austin, Garth Fraser & the late Derek Marshall at the Corporate Fundraising Night



Helene Cronin (giving the thumbs up) and Steve Dickson at the unveiling.



The Krauss awaiting relocation.