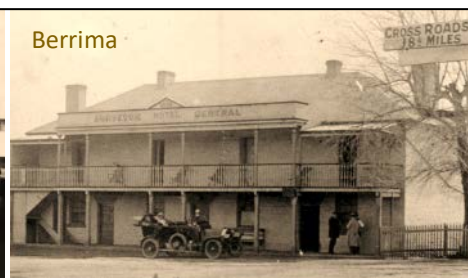




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NEWSLETTER

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From the President's Desk

As we emerge from our COVID-19 restrictions we have decided to recommence our monthly general meetings. Meetings will still be held on the fourth Thursday of each month at 2.00 pm in our first floor meeting room.

Our next meeting will be on 27 May 2021. The guest speaker is shown below. We are required to comply with the COVID Safe laws which restrict us to 30 people maximum in our meeting room. Consequently, we request that you ring or email to reserve a seat.

We are happy to announce the resumption of our mid-year lunch. This will be held at the Marist Brothers Hermitage Restaurant on 1 July. This function will be in lieu of our June general meeting. See details below.

The Bicentenary of Bong Bong settlement will occur in November 2021. The first local European settlement was established at what is now known as Bong Bong Common, adjacent to the Wingecarribee River between Moss Vale and Burradoo. A ceremony and commemoration is planned for November.

Wingecarribee Shire Council is preparing a new Master Plan for the Common and it is hoped that Stage 1 will be completed before the anniversary. See page 3 for Philip's story.

In this issue we look at a brief history of local medical services and the stories associated with *Talgarno* private hospital in Mittagong. Next month we will continue with stories of other private hospitals in both Bowral and Moss Vale. A special thanks to Dr Narelle Bown and David Baxter who provided invaluable information for these articles. See page 3 for the beginning of this series.

In 1831 George Cutter, owner of the Kangaroo Inn at Lower Mittagong, constructed a windmill near his Inn. This windmill, known as the Mittagong Mill, was of a British Post Mill design and was probably used to produce flour. Our story on page 6 tells the story of this windmill and of Cutter's colourful life. Included in the Mill story is George Taylor Rowe who in 1848 purchased Cutter's former land including the Mill from his step-father William Sherwin. You may remember that George was mentioned in this newsletter's recent *de Mestre* series. George owned *Veno*, one of the first horses Etienne de Mestre trained, and Etienne married his daughter Clara. For a time they lived at *Garryowen* in Moss Vale prior to its period as a private hospital.

On a personal note, Harlan Hall recently celebrated his 80th birthday with many friends and colleagues calling in during the day. Happy Birthday Harlan and your birthday cake was delicious.

Ian Mackey

GENERAL MONTHLY MEETINGS

MAY 2021:

Thursday 27 May at 2:00pm

SPEAKER:

Wendy Hamilton on her book based at Berrima in WWI

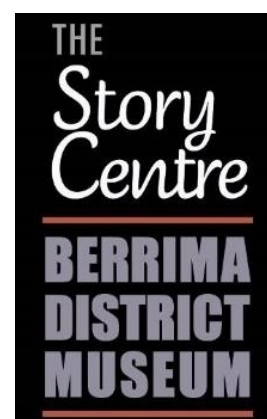
Afternoon Tea is served following the speaker

JUNE/JULY 2021:

Thursday 1 July at 12:00 for 12:30pm

Mid-Year Lunch at Marist Brothers Hermitage, Mittagong

NOTE: on the first Wednesday each month, at 1pm
the **Family History Interest Group** meets at the Mittagong Archives



Moore Memorable Musings



COGNITIVE COVID CLICHÉS:

I have learnt so much since the introduction of the Covid virus.

Would you believe I can now lipread three words through a muslin mask at 20 paces (or is it 1.5M?) and I'm able to secretly poke out my tongue at people I don't like.

My hand signing needs a lot of practise though as the only signals I know are generally of the one finger variety. Speaking of which my paws have never been cleaner, sanitised, deodorised and scrubbed until they bleed.

Although we're 'all in this together', facing a 'new normal' and impeccably 'socially distant' from each other, there's probably no need for me to remember the names of every State Premier in Australia, their Chief Health Officers, not forgetting their Police Chiefs.

Perhaps some of this info would be valuable at the next club's Trivia Night.

We now are familiar with administering injections (rather vaccinations) ad nauseum and if you didn't know them before today, we are bombarded with company names like AstraZeneca, Pfizer, Moderna, Novavax, Rio Tinto, Schweppes, Disneyland and Dodgy Bros.

The interviews we have seen on TV have helped me immensely overcome any anxiety with public speaking. Just let me say this:

First of all in this pivotal moment, let me unpack any doubts on this platform (9 ¼) in giving you an unprecedented back story relating to our quarantine bubble. We are on track 100% reaching out in these strange times to those links which helped us flatten the curve. We're not out of the woods yet! What the ... ??

We have Zoomed, Twittered, Instagram-ed, Linked-in and You-Tubed until we're all blue in the FaceTime. It's now time for us to be cliché-proofed.

So what else does a leisurely retiree do on his day off? Join the Fire-rees, SES? Nah! I'll stay at home where it's safe and leave it to the young experts while I curl up with a good book.

Bruce Moore

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Bundanoon Heritage Signage

An informal function was held by the Bundanoon History Group at The Old Goods Shed opposite the town shops on Thursday 22 April at 4:00pm.

The purpose was to unveil the new Heritage Trail signs that have been erected in the Bundanoon Heritage Precinct. This project, which will be of interest and benefit to residents and visitors alike, was made possible by a generous grant from Wingecarribee Shire Council under the Community Grants Scheme, to which the BHG added funds from its own resources. Some 70 members of the local community turned up for the formal opening. Light refreshments were served and, despite the chill in the air, attendees mingled and chatted, enjoying the first such occasion to be held for some time.

Chris and Erica Peterson, long time residents of the town, formally unveiled the final sign, located on the side of the Old Goods Shed.

A Heritage Trail brochure, designed by Ralph Clark to accompany a self-guided tour of the Trail, is available.



Erica & Chris Peterson with BHG President David Brennen after the unveiling of the heritage sign on the Old Goods Shed at Bundanoon. Photo: Veronica Rickard

May General Meeting Speaker

WENDY HAMILTON

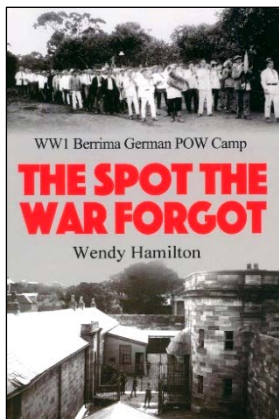
author of **"The Spot the War Forgot"**
a story set around the WWI German
Internee Camp at Berrima

Wendy is a New Zealand author, researcher, and illustrator. She is passionate about sharing history through non-fiction narrative stories.

When Wendy first shifted to the Southern Highlands seven years ago, she stumbled across a little book on the history of Berrima. The story captured her interest and fired her imagination. Many years and much research later, Wendy's newly released book, 'The Spot the War Forgot,' brings to life Berrima's wonderful history of peace between enemies at a dark time in the world's history.

Our member Ros Dale says it is an entertaining and easy-to-read book, an added interest being that it is based on local history and the interaction between the internees and local residents of the town.

Please come along but, as spacing in our meeting room is limited to 30 people, please ring or email to reserve a seat. The book will be available to buy.



Mid Year Lunch at Marist Brothers

With the easing of COVID restrictions, we are delighted that we will be able to hold our mid-year lunch this year. The venue is the Marist Brothers Hermitage on Old South Rd, Mittagong, a place with a rich and interesting history. Lunch will be a two-course meal of a roast and dessert.

Date: Thursday, 1 July 2021

Time: 12 for 12.30pm

Cost: \$35 per head.

Bookings are essential and must be made and paid for no later than **Tuesday 15 June**.

This is an excellent opportunity to reconnect with fellow Society members and friends in a safe and beautiful location. We will be having a talk on the history of the site going back to the early days of settlement in Mittagong. Numbers are limited so book early to avoid disappointment!

Bicentenary of Bong Bong Settlement

Bong Bong Common, located between Moss Vale and Burradoo, is the site of the first European settlement in the Southern Highlands. It is where from 1820 the first South Road forded the river and where 30 acres were reserved in November 1821 for a government village.

As that is now 200 years ago, November this year will mark the Bicentenary of local European settlement. Phil Yeo of the Bong Bong Management Committee advises that the 200th Anniversary will be a low-key ceremony and commemoration, the local Aboriginal people having already been consulted for their input.

It is hoped that Stage 1 of a new Master Plan for the whole Common will be completed by November this year. This will provide improvements to the Eastern Precinct, which was purchased by Council in 2017:

- Obelisk shifted back and set in new display area
- Explanatory plaque erected re significance of obelisk, former poplar plantings, etc
- Improved parking areas and street signage
- Some walking paths improved.

The Master Plan also includes provision for mapping of the archaeological sites in the Eastern Precinct and for the designing of possible new paths.

As most members know, the Bong Bong settlement became the district's first administrative centre, with a row of government buildings erected between 1822 and 1832. It became abandoned, however, after a new line of road was built in the early 1830s to avoid the steep Mittagong Range and the flood-prone Bong Bong river crossing. The new line diverted travellers to an administrative centre five miles downstream at Berrima.

A recent U3A walk group to Bong Bong Common were given a short history of the area at the obelisk. In the photo, from right, is the organiser Glen Vandine and Philip Morton who gave the talk. Some members of the group are also in view.



Photo: courtesy Mary-Anne Key

Stories relating to Local Private Hospitals

In the early to mid-twentieth century our local towns were well served with private hospitals.

Ian Mackey made mention of this in his President's column in the November 2020 newsletter. He noted that an initial search of our records found some information on several private hospitals operating in this period and up until the 1970s. At Mittagong there was *Talgarno*, at Bowral were *Strathmore*, *Yarrum* and *Chester*, and at Moss Vale were *Garryowen*, *Ayrshire* and the Wingecarribee Community Hospital.

What piqued Ian's interest? In his words "Well, on my birth certificate it states that I was born at Garryowen Private Hospital, Elizabeth Street, Moss Vale in April 19## (oops, can't make out the last two numbers!). I am sure that likewise many of our members were born in one of these hospitals."

Some of the private hospitals were general in nature but quite a few were maternity only, operating from residential premises outside the main centres.

A selection of stories about these local hospitals commences in this issue and will continue next month with feature stories about Bowral's *Yarrum* and the various Moss Vale hospital locations.

The information has been compiled from material in the BDHS archives including newspaper articles, directory listings, personal recollections, and articles written by Dr Narelle Bownern and David Baxter.

Firstly though, to provide context, a brief general history of local medical care is provided here.

Dr Narelle Bownern, in her paper 'The Hospitals, Doctors and Nurses of Moss Vale, 1850-1950' sets the scene by stating that Moss Vale did not come into being as a town until the 1860s, when the railway was built. The same applies to Mittagong and Bowral.

"From 1841 onwards, there was a doctor located at Berrima Gaol. These doctors were appointed by the Governor to attend to convicts at the gaol, but they also treated the residents of Berrima and surrounding district."

"Typical of the doctors at this time was George Lambert, who came to Berrima in 1876. He was a popular doctor, who held clinics at Moss Vale on Wednesdays. He was surgeon at the Berrima Gaol, and was available daily at Berrima for consultation by patients from Berrima, Mittagong, Sutton Forest, Burrawang, Robertson, Kangaloon and Bowral."

"Most illnesses, though, were treated at home. Midwives attended births in the home or they had room for a few patients in their own homes."

When the township of Bowral began to develop in the 1860s, the timber slab and bark home of Dr Jacob Ward initially served as a surgery and hospital. A cottage hospital to serve the entire Berrima District was opened at Bowral in September 1889, supported with local subscriptions. At the time it was the only hospital between Sydney and Goulburn.

In 'Blessed are They' the story of Bowral & District Hospital by Win Smith, it describes how extra ward space and an operating theatre were added over the following years. In 1902, two nurses' bedrooms and a boardroom were constructed of brick alongside the main timber building. In 1910 additions were made to the nurses' building and to the main building's female ward to meet growing demand. The hospital treated major injuries and illnesses and had an infectious diseases block.

Although the Hospitals Commission was approached in December 1940 to establish a maternity unit, due to a lack of finance, materials and manpower, it was not until 1961 that a maternity unit became a reality.

The extensive Milton Park Wing, opened in March 1961, included maternity beds and a nursery, along with new general and children's wards and two new operating theatres.



**Bowral & District Hospital's Milton Park Wing,
opened 1961 at Bowral**

Once this wing opened, mothers in the district were encouraged to give birth at the hospital in Bowral, where specialists were always on hand and any complications could be dealt with speedily.

Until then, as stated above, births initially took place in the mother's home or at the midwife's place and then, from the early 20th century, at small maternity hospitals that opened in Bowral, and at community hospitals in Mittagong and Moss Vale where those who incurred injuries or suffering minor illnesses were also looked after, thus saving the trip to Bowral.

Mittagong Private Hospital

A private hospital opened at Mittagong in the early 1920s, occupying Talgarno, a solid and spacious home at the corner of Alice and Edward Streets.

Some information about the hospital was published in the *Southern Mail* (Bowral) in early 1922.

On 21 February it reported that "at the last meeting of Mittagong Municipal Council the Mayor, Alderman Drabble, stated that he had had a conversation with Dr Dawson re Talgarno Private Hospital. Dr Dawson had referred to the good work and capabilities of Matron Drummond and to her liberality and kindness in rendering services to children whose parents were unable to pay for such attention. The doctor said that Mrs Drummond would continue to do this work even if it meant that, in the end, she would be unable to make the hospital a payable one."

The Mayor is then reported as saying he brought the matter before council as he thought this hospital was of special benefit and advantage to the town. In cases of sudden sickness it saved the long journey to Bowral and secured prompt attention which could save a life. It would be a loss to Mittagong if the hospital had to close. He thought that Matron should not bear the total cost in cases where patients or relations were unable to pay, and suggested a fund be inaugurated and placed under the control of a committee, who would inquire into such cases and make payments as they became necessary.

The aldermen present agreed, but thought the matter was one in which an appeal to the public would be necessary if funds were to be obtained. It was decided that a public meeting be convened to consider the matter. Several meetings were subsequently held at the Mittagong Town Hall.

On 28 March 1922, the paper reported on one such meeting, at which discussion included that Bowral hospital was often overcrowded and extra accommodation was required. There were frequently cases where medical treatment was necessary for two or three days, and a hospital in the town saved the journeys to Bowral; also, in the case of children they were nearer their parents.

Dr Dawson thought it would be a good thing if they could establish a fund to provide payment in such cases, explaining that he was not asking for this personally, as he would continue to attend to such patients without payment.

It was pointed out that Talgarno was not a Government subsidised institution, and therefore payment made would not receive Government

subsidy, and to this extent the district would lose the Government assistance. It was decided that a fund be opened as the Mittagong Hospital Relief Trust Fund, and that its scope should not be limited to hospital cases only, but should be available where assistance was needed at the discretion of the committee.

Not only did the hospital look after locals, but there are several news items during the 1920s of out-of-towners injured around Mittagong being taken to Talgarno private hospital for treatment and care.

On 7 March 1928 *The Scrutineer* reported that "a serious accident occurred between Alpine and Mittagong on Sunday afternoon when the steering gear of a Buick car failed and the car turned a complete somersault, landing again on four wheels. The two occupants, Arthur Dean, 30, dentist, and Eric Elerington, 30, solicitor, were seriously injured and are lying in a critical condition in Talgarno Hospital. They are both residents of Wagga."

On 5 December 1928, the same paper reported that an Air Force de Havilland Moth plane, in charge of Flying Officer Carroll, crashed into a tree in fog to the north of Mittagong. Its mechanic Chadwick was thrown 30 feet to the ground and suffered injuries to the back and cuts to the face. Carroll managed to keep his seat in the plane and, after swinging the machine backwards and forwards, was able to reach the tree and climb down. He then walked into Mittagong for assistance.

Dr Alsop and the police went to the scene and Chadwick was admitted to Talgarno. When the plane hit the tree, the engine fell out and was hanging by a few threads of wire!!

Matron Drummond passed away in 1930 and despite financial and community support, Talgarno struggled to survive as a hospital and by 1933 it had closed.



An advertisement in the *Southern Mail* of 2 May 1933 notified that the Mittagong property 'Talgarno', right in the centre of town, was for sale. Subsequently, for several decades the building served as a first-class boarding house until reverting to a private residence.

– compiled by Philip Morton

Once a Windmill at Lower Mittagong

Regarding early settlement at Lower Mittagong on the Mittagong Range, James Jervis states in his *A history of the Berrima District* that “a building to be used as an inn was erected by George Cutler on the Old South Road in 1827”. [Editor’s Note: Although Jervis gives the surname as ‘Cutler’, most records have it as Cutter.]



The front cover of Jervis’ book features a sketch of the inn, cited as “Cutler’s Inn, Mittagong 1827”

Jervis states that Cutter anticipated the issue of the licence and commenced to sell liquor for which he was fined. A licence was issued for one year in July 1830 and the inn was named the Kangaroo.

Jervis also quotes the *Sydney Gazette* of 26 April 1832, describing the Kangaroo Inn which “invites the wayfarer to the renovation of a solid breakfast” and where nearby is displayed “a windmill, a novelty in this desolate region, where agriculture seems to languish.”

In response to a recent inquiry to the BDHS about the above-mentioned windmill, our researcher Frank Mitchell and member Tim McCartney used their ‘Trovelling’ expertise and, with the assistance of other BDHS members, compiled a rough outline of the story of the mill and its various owners from early newspapers and gazettes.

Molinology - Mittagong

What on earth is 'Molinology' did I hear you ask?

The term "Molinology", from the Latin '*Molina*' was coined in 1965 by the Portuguese industrial historian João Miguel dos Santos Simões (from Wikipedia). Mills make use of moving water or wind, or the strength of animal or human muscle to power machines for purposes such as hammering, grinding, pumping, sawing, pressing or fulling.

Early Mittagong's most notorious character, George Cutter, a free settler who had arrived with Ann, his wife, on the 'Surry' (sic) via Hobart Town in 1820, and was granted 300 acres at Lower Mittagong, features prominently in early newspapers and was written up by Stephen Gard in his book *Once Upon a Hume Vol1*: “Cutter was a harsh task-master of assigned labour to his blacksmithing establishment, he was also the proprietor and licensee of the Kangaroo Inn at Lower Mittagong, (sic) along the South Road of 1827-28.”

Cutter then turns his entrepreneurial talents to erect a wooden Post Mill with two French Burrs. The site of this prominent erection was on land originally granted to William H Moore and bought by Cutter, almost opposite the Kangaroo Inn, just beyond the Diamond Fields Rd junction, on what is today part of the Marist Brothers vineyards. It would seem to have been where a small sports oval is today and, studying the terrain, it appears as a most unsuitable place to build a windmill, as it is barely above the adjacent gully of the nearby creek. A much more suitable site would have been higher up along the Range ridge.

From the *Sydney Gazette* dated 3 February 1831 it is learnt that: “a new mill has just been completed at Camden, by Mr Cutter, of the Kangaroo Inn. It is said to have cost him £600, though the iron-work was done with his own hands. It will be a valuable acquisition to that part of the country.”



A British 'Post-Mill' of the type built at Mittagong, c1830,
Photo courtesy of The Mills Archive Trust, Reading UK

George Cutter became insolvent and was constantly manipulating and harassing his assigned labourers, neighbours and creditors, even though he had been blacklisted from having assigned labourers by the Colonial Secretaries Office. Due to his insolvency and his numerous dubious transactions, Cutter’s entire property, including the windmill, was put up for sale or lease during the 1830s. The newspaper advertisements provide an insight into the property’s value, although perhaps enhanced somewhat to stimulate interest, bearing in mind that Major Mitchell’s new

line of road through Mittagong township was constructed in the early 1830s. Traffic naturally followed it and, to cater for travellers' needs, several new inns were opened along it. The 'Old' South Road section would suffer a drastic decline in traffic usage, impacting Cutter's Inn.

The Sydney Monitor of 20 April 1831: To be Let or Sold. A most valuable Property, suitable for any person desirous of commencing the farming business, and situated in the County of Camden. Comprising the Kangaroo Inn, a new wood Post Mill, blacksmith's and carpenter's shops, barns, stores, stabling, warehouse, brew-house, fowl-house, stock-yard, dove-cote, and a well-stocked garden. Implements of husbandry, horned cattle, draught horses, working bullocks, pigs, fine-woolled sheep.

The Sydney Herald of 12 March 1832 had a notice headed SHERIFF'S OFFICE, Hughes and Hosking v. Cutter: "On Thursday next . . . the Sheriff will cause to be sold, all the right, title, interest and estate of Defendant, in and to all that piece or parcel of land containing 69 acres, situated at Mittagong, together with a mill, machinery, and apparatus."

Cutter would have realised that the new line of road was where business would be and applied for a licence for a new Kangaroo Inn at Mittagong town, receiving it on 13 August 1836. From 1839 this licence was held by his wife Ann. Their Kangaroo Inn was at the south end of town. In 1845 Ann employed a man named Alexander Brand to build and run a new inn at the north end, later named Fitzroy Inn.

It was in 1839 that one of Cutter's many misdeeds had caught up with him. On 12 February 1839 *The Australian* reported on the Campbell Town Quarter Sessions held the previous week, including that "Mr George Cutter, formerly a respectable innkeeper near Berrima, on the Argyle-road (as the Old South Road was also known), was convicted of stabbing a person named McGrath, on his left breast, with a knife, and was sentenced to be transported to Van Diemen's Land, for the period of fifteen years."

Cutter somehow evaded the full sentence, departing Hobart in June 1846 to sail for Sydney. He is reported in 1848 as being an escapee from the Parramatta Asylum. Then, in 1851, having returned to the Berrima district, he was indicted for shooting at Brand, the business partner of his wife Ann. Cutter manipulated events and was acquitted while Brand was bound-over to keep the peace and released.

Ann Cutter died in November 1858. George Cutter remarried in 1859 and then died in 1860, aged 60. Ann is buried at Camden and George at Berrima.

What happened to the Windmill?

The whole of Cutter's property at Lower Mittagong was bought in the 1830s by Captain Sturt, who then put it up for public auction in January 1838.

It was described in *The Sydney Herald* as an Estate at Mittagong, the late residence of this Gentleman, containing 1,950 acres; bounded by the new line of road to that town, and eastward by the old line of road to Bong Bong, distant from Sydney 70 miles, and 12 miles from Berrima. "It has a commodious house and a well-stocked garden, with 1,300 acres of land attached, as also on the other portion of the Estate a neat and comfortable verandah cottage, with a powerful stone-built windmill, which is constantly and profitably employed. The soil throughout the Estate is of the finest description, producing constant and prolific crops of every kind of farm produce."

Thomas D Rowe purchased the property in 1838 but died a few months later. His widow Harriet had a son, George Taylor Rowe, who owned the estate for a time from 1848 having bought it from his mother's second husband William Sherwin. The reminiscences of one Phillip Webb, in the *Southern Mail* in 1951, include that "on Rowe's Farm, when it was owned by George Cutter, was a wooden windmill with four large fans driving stone grinders, but it could only be used in strong winds".

Numerous advertisements seeking a mill operator were placed by George T Rowe in *The Sydney Morning Herald* during the early 1850s, such as this one of 19 January 1852: "To Let, with immediate possession, the Mittagong Windmill, with a three-roomed slab hut, and half acre of garden, for one or a term of years. The mill is situated on the roadside, in the centre of a large wheat-growing district; and a good income could be made by a steady man. Rent, £20 per annum. Apply to proprietor, Mittagong."

A Richard Reeves took up the offer, renting the mill during the 1850s, but he moved to Yass and was last heard of in Sydney in 1863, then disappearing. This is known from newspaper notices in the 1870s placed by the Missing Friend's Office in Sydney seeking information as to whether he was dead or alive. Perhaps he was the last to operate the windmill. By 1869 it was described as a 'ruin' and a few years later 'that no remains were to be found'.

It had always been something of a fabulous folly – wheat never really became a major crop in the Berrima District. Yet from the 1830s up to the late 1850s, the graceful looking windmill stood on the skyline at Lower Mittagong to catch the eye of whoever ventured along the old South Road.

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