

# Marion Historic Village Museum

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- Exciting news! At the time of this article we are awaiting delivery of our **Audio Tour Guide System**.  
This system is designed to enhance the experience of those who participate in the Marion Heritage Walk. We will have 25 receiver units with headsets for walkers and a state of the art transmission unit for the Tour Guide conducting the walk so there is no danger of missing out on one word of commentary or dropping behind the rest of the group.  
The units will be accompanied by a new and improved Heritage Walk Brochure which is currently in the final stages of editing before publication. In order to maintain this new system in pristine condition it is anticipated that there will be a small charge for usage. This will be advised at a later date.
- It is with sadness that we farewell our Council Liaison, Dr. Jo Ankor who left the Council offices on September 29th. Jo has been a wonderful help and tireless worker for all of the Heritage Alliance, Annie Doolan's Cottage, The Historical Society as well as the Museum. Our sincere thanks go out to her for all she has accomplished on our behalf. We wish her the very best in her future.
- The gardens surrounding our museum are in the glory this spring. Always neatly kept there is no doubt Spring has arrived. Thanks to Graham Watts for the photo.



- Mark your calendars for Sunday October 22! The Marion Historical Society is conducting an escorted walk through the Village (**using our new Audio Tour Guide equipment**) as a part of COTA's Zest Fest celebrations.
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The cost is \$5.00 per person. Bookings are essential for this event and can be made by phoning Judy on 8298 5585 or by email from [marionhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:marionhistoricalsociety@gmail.com).

- Although the museum Sunday numbers have reflected the cold and inclement winter, our private bookings continue to go from strength to strength. On Aug 31 we hosted 57 students and their teachers from Hallett Cove East Primary School and in September 11 members of the Blackwood View Club were guided on the Heritage Walk and visits to both Annie Doolan's Cottage and the Village Museum.
- We can also report that the Roman Catholic authorities felt it necessary to demolish the stone wall outside St Ann's Church as it was deemed unsafe. It is always sad when a piece of local history disappears forever. However, it reminds us to cherish the heritage we have left and protect it as well as we can. Thanks to David Jarman for photographing the wall the day before its demise.



Until Next Time  
Kathy Creer, Secretary