

Marion Historic Village Museum

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- Our events for History Festival 2020, May 1 to 31, are in finalised and ready to go. We will be hosting 2 guided walks this year on Sunday May 17th and Sunday May 24th both starting at 1:30 pm from the museum.

The walk will take about 45 minutes and participants will then be entertained with an old fashioned Devonshire Tea in the Wesleyan Chapel Hall.

Walks are limited to 20 persons per event so bookings are essential! The cost is a modest \$7.00 per adult and \$5.00 per child. Bookings can be made through me at the email address below or by ringing me on 0411 043 344.

- The museum's quest for registration is well on its way. We have applied to The History Trust of SA and are currently undergoing the MaC (Museums and Collections) self assessment in order to complete this process. Many benefits will come from membership in Mac including qualifying for grants from History Trust SA. As a part of this process the museum has committed to the purchase of a small museum software package called PRISM. This cataloguing program will enable us to streamline all documents and details of our collection as well as managing day to day paperwork inherent to running our museum. Delivery of this program and our three new computers is imminent.
- Friday Feb 14th, Valentines Day, saw the running of our Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Warehouse Marion. We had a successful day and earning some much needed funds to help with the running costs of the museum.
Many heartfelt thanks go out to all those who helped on the day including some individuals who are not even members, Warren and the two Grahams.



From L to R: David, Warren, Peter, Phil

- We have completed an application for a Department of Social Services (Federal) grant and a decision on our application will be made sometime in May.

The aim of this grant is to raise funds to produce a professional video of our Marion Heritage Walk just as it happens in reality. We have had many requests for some kind of presentation that can allow those in the community who are unable to do a physical walk to have the same experience as those who are physically able to do the walk.

We have been much supported by Ashley Starkey of Starkyz productions who has not only quoted on the video but has written an accompanying letter to the DSS in support of the project.

Keep your fingers crossed for a positive outcome.

WATCH THIS SPACE!

And finally - a little humour.

What was the Jolly Swagman's first name?

ANDY!

Andy sang, Andy watched, Andy waited till his billy boiled.



Until Next Time

Kathy Creer, Secretary

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