

Queensland Local Studies Group Minutes

Participants online

Alexis Adams - Burdekin Shire Council
Hilda Maclean - Logan City Council
Lara Clarke - Mackay Regional Council
Shannon De Silva - Mackay Regional Council
Karen Harper - Sunshine Coast Heritage Library, Nambour
Carol Hawley - Sunshine Coast Heritage Library, Nambour
Raylene Jensen - Scenic Rim Shire Council
Cheryl Rickard - Rockhampton Regional Council
Chris To – Mount Isa Regional Council
Gillian O’Neill – Redland City Council
Heather Richards - Wynnum Branch – Brisbane City Council
Raylene Jensen – Scenic Rim Regional Council
Tracey Waples – Toowoomba Regional Council
Christina Ealing-Godbold - State Library of Queensland

In person

Melanie Rush - Digital Archivist, Ipswich Libraries – Presenter
Deannah Vieth – Ipswich Libraries – Presenter
Tanya Jen – Team coordinator Cultural Heritage – Ipswich City Design Branch - Presenter
Judith Nissen – Historian – Presenter
Helen Cossins - Moreton Bay Regional Council
Zane Metcalfe – Brisbane City Archives
Annabel Lloyd – Brisbane City Archives
Nico van der Schyff (Acting) -Toowoomba Regional Council
Emma Lovell – Picture Ipswich Volunteer
Erin Davey – A/Coordinator Ipswich Children’s Library
Lisa Harth – Ipswich City Council
Cheryl Pye – Business Support and Library Content Manager, Ipswich City Council
Tom Jordan – State Library of Queensland
Anne Scheu – facilitator, State Library of Queensland

Apologies

Jane Harding - Noosa Council
Jacqui Stockdale - Queensland State Archives
Stephanie Ryan - State Library of Queensland
Elisabeth Gondwe – President Oral History Queensland

Recorded Meeting – 21 April 2022 - https://youtu.be/_LBMklWY930 Ipswich Libraries.

N.B. Fast forward to 7:20 time code to view a visual presentation of Ipswich Libraries with members arriving onsite in the background.

Time code 15:35 for the start of the meeting and official welcome by Cheryl Pye – Business Support and Library Content Manager, Ipswich City Council.

Past QLSG meetings online: <https://vimeo.com/showcase/qldlocalstudiesmeetings>

Password: QldHistory (case sensitive)



Presentations and presenters

Thank you to Ipswich Library hosts Melanie Rush and Deannah Vieth for a successful Queensland Local Studies Meeting, held Thursday 21 April 2022. It was the first onsite combined online meeting in twelve months allowing participants the opportunity to network and engage in direct conversation.

Optional Tour of Ipswich Children's Library and Ipswich Central Library | 1 Nicholas Street, Ipswich - Level 1, Event Space

- Several Librarians joined the tour. The new precinct and layout of the libraries engenders a sense of wonder and energy for the people of Ipswich. Thankyou to all the staff who led each tour and answered many questions about service delivery and the practicalities of library operations. Members also visited the Local Studies Room in the Central Library, a small space dedicated to collections and preserving the history of Ipswich.

Chasing Our Past + Chasing Our Past at Home – Time code: 20:00 Presenters Melanie Rush & Deannah Vieth

- An overview of programs delivered to the community of Ipswich, focussing on Ipswich's heritage and stories of local significance.

Ipswich Architects, Builders and Tradespeople – Time code: 41:25 Presenters Tanya Jen - Team Coordinator Cultural Heritage – Ipswich City Design Branch Judith Nissan - Historian

- An overview of the Ipswich Heritage Program responsible for overseeing the important heritage history of Ipswich. Tanya's experience of nearly 40 years means she has an immense corporate memory and has been involved in numerous programs advocating Ipswich built heritage.
- Judith Nissan was involved in a project to document the work of 'living' architect Bruce Buchanan – heritage advisor from 1875 – 2010.

Picture Ipswich – Recollect platform and Digital resource of Ipswich - Time code: 1:24:26 Presenter Digital Archivist - Melanie Rush

Visit the collection online - <https://www.pictureipswich.com.au/>

Round Table – 30 min discussion relevant to local issues

- Toowoomba – digital newspapers, conditions and use and copyright compliance
- Moreton Bay preservation station very popular – people can reformat slides, videos and cds to a digital format.

Updates

Moreton Bay Local Studies Program

Moreton Bay History Seminar - Morayfield Sport and Events Centre
Thursday, 19 May 2022 | 09:00 AM to 03:00 PM | Free event

All-day seminar showcasing the culture and heritage of Moreton Bay with respected guest speakers, information sessions and stalls from the region's historical groups and societies. Speakers include: Dr Ray Kerkhove, Dr Margaret Kowald, Greg Hallam, Jan Richardson with a special performance by Leena Salim.

Celebrating the National Trust sponsored Australian Heritage Festival and National Archaeology Week.



Redland City Council Libraries - Local Studies

Redland Libraries transitioned to LMS platform Spydus in early 2022. Migration of Local History resources complete.

Local History can be sourced as [Redlands Coast History](#) on the Redland Library catalogue. Each mainland branch has an archive non-networked PC especially for Redlands Coast History resources, which are in Copyright, for library visitors to access.

Scanning / digitising local newspapers from microfilm paused due to staffing - 270 local newspapers available on the catalogue with more to be uploaded.

At the end of 2021 we embarked on our Covid-19 Oral History project. Seven Councillors and Mayor interviewed, Disaster Management team, Council employees, community groups such as Redlands Museum, SMBI and Coochiemudlo Heritage Group sourced 19 members from the community to interview. Transcribing slowly underway.

Coffee & Conversation sessions re-commenced where 2 Local History staff visit branches.

Planning underway for external events/presentations starting with the first at Wellington Point Park, 14 May and Cemetery walk at Cleveland sharing information on the region's pioneers.

State Library of Queensland

[Queensland Memory Awards](#) open 1 June – read more about them online.

[Information night](#) inviting potential applicants to learn how to kick start their research project.

[Belief and Belonging: Queensland stories](#) – How does religion shape our lives? Researchers from The University of Queensland share their work investigating, documenting and interpreting the diversity of religion and religious practices across Queensland. The first talk in the Belief and belonging series highlights the many religious places in Queensland that will be featured in the Queensland Atlas of Religion.

[Legacy: Reflections on Mabo](#) (exhibition) – 30th anniversary since the Mabo v state of Queensland decision opening soon.

Date Claimer: 21 August 2022 (More details soon)

**Workshop for Queensland Local Studies Group
Heritage Collections Learning Room | Level 4
State Library of Queensland | Stanley Place | South Brisbane**