

Newcastle Industrial Heritage Association Inc. supports and assists other groups in projects that promote Industrial Heritage. NIHA mounts displays, and lobbies for improved interpretation of all aspects of our working heritage. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month at Mayfield Sport & Recreation Club at 7pm. Visitors and new members are most welcome. For details visit www.niha.org.au email niha@pacific.net.au or contact Bob Cook on 0419241731.



Newcastle Industrial Heritage Association has a large number of display stands that are used to present regular exhibitions of all facets of our heritage

Paterson Historical Society works to preserve the heritage of the Paterson region. The society operates a museum in the 1861 Court House at Paterson, which opens every Sunday from 1pm. Donation of \$3. For more details contact Pauline Clements on 49385183.



The beautifully restored Paterson Court House is the home of a large collection of artifacts of rural life in the Hunter

Raymond Terrace Historical Society conduct research into the history of the Raymond Terrace area and operate a small museum at Raymond Terrace. For details contact Boris Sokoloff 49548976.



The Burwood railway to Glenrock lagoon was once a feature of Newcastle as coal trains crossed Hunter St at Burwood St on the trip to the harbour coal loaders

Richmond Vale Railway Museum has operated a tourist railway for 20 years at the Richmond Main Colliery site at Richmond Vale. An extensive heritage railway collection and museum are open from 10am to 4.30pm for the first three Sundays of each month. For details visit <http://www.richmond-valerailwaymuseum.org>

3 0 years of volunteering
Sunday 4th October 2009



William the Fourth Inc. has taken ownership of the region's community-built steamship William the Fourth. The group includes many past volunteers, and prominent business leaders and is seeking new members. The association is carrying out extensive restoration of the ship. Whilst leaving the steam engine in place, two diesel engines and propellers are being fitted to allow the ship to return to safe, efficient, reliable operating service. The ship will be located adjacent to the new Maritime Centre at Honey-suckle. For more details email williamthefourth@pacific.net.au or call Bob Cook on 0419241731.

Stockton Historical Society conducts research into the history of Stockton. Meetings are held at the Prawners Club Stockton on the third Monday of each month at 7pm. Visitors are welcome. For details contact Irene Butterworth on 49282949.

Heritage Hunter News

Steelworks Heritage - 10 Years Later



Newcastle Industrial Heritage Association is holding two events to mark the 10 year anniversary of closure of the Steelworks.

A reunion for past employees will be held at the Mayfield Sport & Recreation Club on Saturday 26 September at 12.30pm.

A ceremony and refreshments will be held at 'The Muster Point' sculpture on Industrial Drive, Mayfield at 11am on Wednesday 30 September. All welcome.

Committee meetings of HERITAGE HUNTER are held on the first Monday of each month at 5pm, at The Lockup 90 Hunter St, Newcastle. Everyone is welcome.



An income flow to allow further development of Fort Scratchley has commenced with the leasing of the Multi-Purpose Function Centre. The centre is available for all types of events.



Tenders for construction of the new \$23.5million Newcastle Museum are expected to be called very soon. The museum is due to open next year.

Membership of Heritage Hunter is available to groups, individuals and businesses. Contact any committee member

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On 9 May **Lake Macquarie and District Historical Society** held a very successful display to celebrate the centenary of Morristet Hospital.



This year's Heritage Hunter exhibit at Newcastle Show was presented by 14 local groups. All groups present reported good results.

Richmond Vale Railway Museum will celebrate 30 years of preservation and volunteering at Richmond Vale Railway Museum, on Sunday 4th October. 10.00am to 4.30pm. A plaque will be unveiled at 1 pm.

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Broadmeadow Locomotive Depot Inc. group is working towards adaptive reuse of the state heritage listed No.2 Roundhouse and turntable at the Broadmeadow Locomotive Depot site. For any enquiries contact John Brougham on 49680567



The state heritage listed No.2 Roundhouse at Broadmeadow has the potential to be home to a major Railway Interpretive Centre.

Coal River Working Party was formed by the University of Newcastle to assist other groups in protecting and developing the heritage of the Coal River Precinct. The vision of the group is to create an Interpretive Centre that expresses the site's unique heritage. For extensive information visit Nobbys Coal River Heritage Park Website - <http://www.newcastle.edu.au/service/archives/coalriver/background.html>



Coal River Working Party
In search of our lost coal mines
- Sept 05

Coalfields Heritage Group Inc. conducts research and archiving of the Hunter Coalfields area. The group is based at the Sir Edgeworth David Memorial Museum in the grounds of Kurri Kurri High School. The museum is open Wednesdays, Sundays and Public Holidays from 1-4pm. Admission is free. For further details contact Brian Andrews on 49374418.



As coal mining increased during the 1800's new mines commenced near Maitland, becoming the South Maitland Coal-fields.

Visit Fort Scratchley

Fort Scratchley Historical Society has returned to the re-opened Fort. Members conduct tours of the fort and tunnels on the hour. Fort Scratchley is open from 10am to 4pm every day except Tuesday. A small charge applies to tunnel tours. For group tours or general enquiries contact 49745000.

For details of FSHS contact John Cater on 49558779.



Engineering Heritage Australia (Newcastle) is a division of Engineers Australia, and serves to recognise and promote the engineering features of our region. A group of members maintain and operate the unique rope-driven crane in the Honeysuckle Boiler Shop. For details contact Rod Caldwell on 49633815.

Friends of Newcastle Regional Museum Inc. are working in the background since the museum closed, preparing for development of an exciting new museum at Honeysuckle in two years time. Council has let contracts for design of the new museum and for construction of modifications to the ex-BHP Toolroom site at Mayfield. The museum's workshops and collection will be stored at the Mayfield site. For information contact Laurie Crowe on 49540579.



The Honeysuckle Boiler Shop and adjoining buildings will become the home of Newcastle Regional Museum next year.



Lake Macquarie & District Historical Society Inc. conducts research, collects and exhibits the history of the Lake Macquarie area. Meetings are held at the Lake Macquarie Heritage Centre (old Toronto Railway Station). For details contact 49598063 or email imdhs@bigpond.com

Lake Macquarie Family History Group Inc. provides facilities and services for conducting family history research. The group meets on the third Saturday at 12.30pm. visit www.lmfhg.org.au or email the Secretary at lmfhg.org.au

Merewether Historical Society Inc. promotes and encourages research in the history of the Merewether area and the AA Company. Meetings are held at 2pm on the second Tuesday of each month. Complimentary afternoon tea is served. Visitors are most welcome. For more details contact Don Harris on 49633584.

The National Trust - Hunter Region Committee held their major annual event - the NATIONAL TRUST HERITAGE FESTIVAL in April 2009. The theme was 'Our Place in Space- Under the Southern Cross'. For details contact Ann Hardy on 0438509139.

Newcastle Family History Society Inc. has its home at the Mechanics Institute, 68 Elder St, Lambton. Extensive facilities are available for all facets of family history research. Meetings are held on 1st Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm. The library is open at other times. Visitors are most welcome. For more details visit <http://www.nfhs.org.au/> or email nfhsinc@gmail.com



The Newcastle Police Station building was constructed in 1861 and is now a museum presenting the region's history of law and order. It is part of the complex managed by the Newcastle Historic Reserve Trust.

Newcastle Historic Reserve Trust operates 'The Lockup' a museum of law and order, and maintains the historic Newcastle Police Station precinct at 90 Hunter St. The Lock-up is open Tuesday-Thursday 10-4pm and Friday-Sunday 10-5pm. For more details ph 49252265 or visit www.thelockup.info

Newcastle & Hunter District Historical Society Inc. promotes and encourages research into all aspects of the region's history. Meetings are held on the fourth Sunday of each month at 2pm. Visitors are welcome. For details contact Kel Grabham on 49521441.