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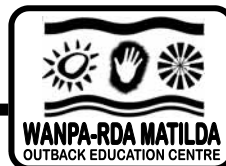
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We convey our sincere thanks to Education Queensland Department and Staff, school students and the many individuals and organisations who assisted us in ensuring Wanpa-rda Matilda our Outback Education Centre enjoyed a very successful and exciting 2011.

Warm regards & Thanks to everyone,

Tim Berry
Education Officer

Bob Gleeson
Chief Executive Officer

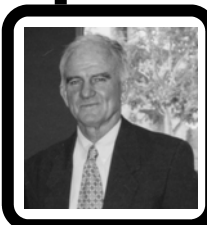
The Australian Workers Heritage Centre is a non-political, not-for-profit incorporated entity which holds all assets under Deed of Grant in Trust for the benefit of the Australian people.

We are a registered Deductible Gift Recipient Organisation and all donations to the Centre are tax deductible.

Our Centre is managed by a Board of nine honorary members and our sole source of operational income is derived from Admittance fees, our Gift Shop, Associate Membership and generous donations from our supporters.

Management and Staff wish you a safe and enjoyable Christmas, a happy and successful 2012 and we thank you for your patronage in 2011. We also extend our appreciation to our Members whose ongoing support is invaluable in the continuing viability of our Centre.

Warm regards & Best Wishes



*Robert (Bob) J. Gleeson
Chief Executive Officer
The Australian Workers
Heritage Centre*



Any urgent enquiries during Centre closure please contact:-
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Summer
2011 - 2012



Keeping you informed...

To facilitate the necessary building upgrade and maintenance works being carried out by QBuild the Australian Workers Heritage Centre will be closed from December 25th, 2011 until February 19th, 2012

*We apologise for
any inconvenience caused*



Australian
Workers Heritage Centre



QBuild

working in partnership...

We express our appreciation and thanks to Mr Peter Quinn and staff of QBuild - Barcardine for their ongoing support and good works on our site, which ensures the maximisation of employment in our region.

Summer 2011 - 2012 Closure

**The Workers Heritage Centre
& Retail Outlet will be closed
from December 25th, 2011
until February 19th, 2012
for necessary maintenance
and capital works**

**Our staff will be on-site from
Monday February 13th, 2012 & will
be available to arrange access
for Tour Operators & groups
by prior arrangement**

**Re-opening
February 20th, 2012**

**Normal trading hours
will commence from
Monday February 20th, 2012:-
Monday to Saturday: 9am to 5pm
Sundays: 10am to 4pm**

*Wanpa-rda - our Outback Education Centre, will
be available for School Bookings without
interruption, excepting the Education Centre will
close over the Christmas / New Year period, to
correspond with the School Holiday Period.*

Australian Workers Union 'Shearers Hall'

The latest addition to the landscape at the Workers Heritage Centre is Australia's oldest Union office and hall. The 'Shearers Hall' was generously donated and re-located from Longreach to our site by the Australian Workers Union, the hall will be refurbished and transformed into a quality exhibition space presenting and interpreting a highly valued and unique chapter of our working history.

The AWU National Executive recently made the pilgrimage to Barcaldine to celebrate the 125th anniversary of the establishment of their Union in 1886 using the opportunity and milestone to open the AWU Shearers' Hall at the Workers Heritage Centre and discuss future development plans.

The AWU National Secretary Mr. Paul Howes and Mr. Bill Ludwig - National President and Queensland Secretary announced on behalf of the Executive and members a most generous contribution of \$100,000.00 towards the transformation of this iconic building.

The new 'Shearers Hall' exhibition will undoubtedly serve as an underpinning statement for other numerous exhibitions across the Australian Workers Heritage Centre site.

We owe a debt of gratitude to the Australian Workers Union and their members for their most generous support and sponsorship on numerous critical defining moments throughout the total life of The Australian Workers Heritage Centre and Wanpa-rda Matilda Outback Education Centre.



Way Finding Plan

It is now some two years since the opening of the Tree of Knowledge Monument and as we are all aware it was always a central objective of our Centre to create a very strong link between the Tree of Knowledge Monument and the Australian Workers Heritage Centre.

To that end we have recently visited Melbourne and consulted with the Program Director of the International Public Art Unit and his team of highly professional, national and internationally recognised artists and designers seeking their advice on the way forward towards creating an original and engaging means of integrating and interpreting our respective sites, which are of national significance, a vital part of outback tourism and our local tourism development.

In order to maximise the full potential of our National Attractions and support our future tourism opportunities it is essential that we work together in partnership and proceed down that path with a reasonable degree of urgency towards a quality, innovative project that will cement the crucial obvious synergies that exist.

We have started the ball rolling and are now seeking Council support by way of working with us in order to engage the team from R.M.I.T to travel to Barcaldine and conduct an in depth site analysis, close consultation direct with Council and the community as they work towards their Scoping Study and prepare the detail and information required to progress towards final documented plans, Scope of Works and detailed costings etc.

Our organisation that is dedicated to celebrating the enduring, inspiring story and spirit of the Australian worker that the Tree of Knowledge is a recognised symbol of, and the Council, acting as the custodians of the Tree of Knowledge Monument have a shared responsibility to ensure we work in partnership towards maximising potential tourism numbers and the length of stay in our destination.

The very substantial investment by the Queensland and Australian Governments on the Tree of Knowledge Monument and the future of our Tourism industry warrants a project such as this, it is fitting, timely and absolutely justified.

a message from Bob Gleeson

On behalf of myself and our Board of Management we express our sincere appreciation and thank you to our hardworking, loyal and dedicated staff, whose support, professionalism and diligence provides the platform for the ongoing success and development of the Australian Workers Heritage Centre and Wanpa-rda Matilda our Outback Education Centre.