

# HUT GOSSIP

Quarterly publication of Parkyn Hut Information Centre

## Did you know ?

Walter & Jessie Tronson started farming on land at Ringtail before Butter Factories were built, They raised funds by making butter and selling it around Tewantin. After the Butter Factory was built in Pomona, they then started a mail and cream run.

## Tronson's Canal

Their land extended to the Noosa River and much of it was swampy, so Walter set about draining it by opening a canal through to the river, just over one km long and wide enough to bring his boat along it. This then was known as Tronsons Canal, or Tronnies Drain. It's still there if you know where to look!

## A Sea Change

In 1934 Walter and Jessie, with their four other children, left their eldest daughter to run the farm and they picked up house, shed, horse, cow, and whatever and went to Long Island in Happy Bay and started a Tourist Resort. Jessie's cooking and hospitality soon became well known. So things were good - but later, they decided to return to the Noosa area via a short stint in Sydney first.

... George Pearce



## New Committee elected

Following the AGM on 22 September, 2015 your newly elected Committee for 2015-16 consists of the following members :

President	Gail McBurney
Vice President	Jill Morley
Secretary	Jennifer Childs
Assistant Secretary	Wendy Ivanusec
Treasurer	Paul Morley
Historian	George Pearce
Roster Clerk	Davina Rossiter
General Committee	Ron Strudwick
	Richard Carter

Our sincere thanks to the outgoing Committee.



## Six of the best with

### Jennifer Childs



**Q1. Where do you originate from?**

*Bromley by Bow, London, England*

**Q2. What do you like to do to relax or chill out?**

*I like to walk - preferably on my own and in quiet places.*

**Q3. Where are your favourite local places to eat?**

*Sharing a meal with my son Sam and Chelsea, his wife and Harley. They live over on North Shore and I also like to eat at The Paper Boy Café.*

**Q4. Share a great local experience that you have enjoyed?**

*Any one of the wonderful cruises on the Noosa River.*

**Q5. Name 3 of your favourite places to visit, or things to do locally?**

*The Library, the Art Gallery.*

**Q6. What do you love about living here?**

*The river*

*We'd like to make this a regular feature of the Hut Gossip, so that we all get to know each other a little better.*

*When you are asked to participate, please take as much room as you need to answer each question ... and thanks for being willing to volunteer information - this time about you !!*

*It would be very helpful if you would send a photo or two to accompany your story.*

## President's Bit ...

As you all know, we recently held our AGM. Due to various circumstances June, Keetha and Rene all stood down from their roles on the Committee. I would like to thank them all sincerely for their hard work during the past year.

I am happy to take on the role as President and look forward to working with the new Committee during the year.

My first duty will be to attend the Queensland Information Centres Association Conference in Caloundra from 5 - 7 October.

There should be some interesting speakers covering a variety of topics relevant to Information Centres and I am looking forward to hearing them and keeping up to date with any amendments to the Accreditation system and to networking with people running other information centres to acquire some new ideas and inspiration.

We decided at our meeting to give the Hut a much needed spring clean on Sunday 11 October, before the Hut opens. If you are keen to give us a hand, just let a Committee member know.

Speaking of spring cleaning – Gary has done a fantastic job of cleaning up the computer putting everything in files/folders, etc, so please don't try to change or move anything! From the Guest zone, where you don't need a password, anyone can access the computer to print out maps, etc.

I am endeavouring to arrange a couple of local Familis before Christmas, to have a closer look at what is in our own backyard. We will be car-pooling and walking for these.

We all had lots of fun on our Big Kids Day Out Familis and it was interesting to visit some attractions I, for one, had never been to before ... it was lots of fun playing Mini Golf, jumping on trampolines and getting lost in mazes. All this made us remember just how much fun it is to be a kid !

At our meeting, we also decided that we will once again hold our Christmas Party at the Royal Mail Hotel where we enjoy great value, great food and great service. So keep Tuesday, 15 December free to party !

*Until next time ...*

*Cheers, Gail*

## Birthday celebration

JULY 2015 saw Parkyn Hut celebrate it's 14th birthday.

Once again we must thank the Noosa Ferry Cruise Company for providing the ferry and driver FOC.

As well as the usual feasting (grateful thanks to all those who slaved in their hot kitchens to make delicious sandwiches and cakes and George for his yummy date loaf !), this occasion was enhanced by the introduction of Long Service Certificates in recognition of 5 and 10 years' service.

It was quite surprising how many were presented - just shows the considerable loyalty and dedication on the part of our vollies !!



Olive & George



Davina, June & Paul

## 'Big Kids Day Out' Famil ...

AUGUST 2015 saw Parkyn vollies assemble at the RSL park for a bus trip to educate and inform them about a few of the possibly lesser known (to Noosarians) attractions in close proximity. Top Shots Mini Golf, Boing, Boing,, Bellingham Maze and finally Ten Pin Bowls and Laser Tag. Voted a great fun and informative day. Thanks a lot Gail for organising this!



## UPcoming EVENTS



**SUNDAY, 11 October :**  
Spring clean the Hut - volunteers needed. Please advise Gail or Jennifer if you can help out.  
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**TUESDAY, 15 December -**  
Hut Christmas Party at the Royal Mail Hotel.