

GLENBROOK POINTS

NEWSLETTER OF GLENBROOK & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.



POINTSMAN'S COTTAGE

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Meetings 3rd Wednesday monthly at 1.30 pm (except Dec-Jan) Glenbrook Guides Hall
cnr Hare & Moore Sts Glenbrook

"History Walks" 2016 Programme ALL on SATURDAYS

Walks led by Doug Knowles & Frank Bowman

- March 12th 9.00am "Eastern Zig Zag Railway 1867" and the first improvement: the Lapstone Tunnel route 1892.
- March 26th 9.00am "The Descent to the West" Mt. York: Three short return walks on the three most historic roads to the West, Cox's Pass 1815, Lawsons Road 1822 and the newest: Berghofer's Pass 1909 Includes morning tea: Special Walk: \$12.00
- April 9th 1.30pm "Bull 's Creek" Railway relics:-Stone dam and site.
- 23rd 1.30pm "Duck Hole--Glenbrook Creek." Old Roadway construction and pump site for railway water supply.
- May 14th 1.30pm "The Mountains Murders. Captain Lee Weller's grave site and rock inscriptions
- June 4th 1.30pm "Lapstone Construction Railway" 1910--1913 and east portal of Lapstone tunnel 1892.
- 25th 1.30pm "Cox's Road." Walk along a section of this historic road following the ridge-top from Linden to Woodford Trig.
- July 9th 1.30pm "Dunn's Steam Sawmill Site" and earth dam. Brookside Creek, Lennox Bridge and the old stone quarry.
- 30th 1.30pm "Glenbrook Lagoon Precinct." Early campsite and railway dam construction 1880.
- August 13th 9.00am "Faulconbridge steam sawmill site" Engine remnants and other relics operated 1914--1925. Long walk-steep climb: Allow 3 ½ to 4 hrs.

ADULTS: 8.00 ea. Children under 16yrs. Free-but must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. (No dogs please.) BOOKINGS are ESSENTIAL: Phone Doug. on 4751 3275 for details re meeting place, time and grade of walk. Good walking shoes are essential. Please bring a hat and drinking water. BAD WEATHER ON DAY: excessive wind & rain could cause cancellation due to hazedous conditions.

PAM'S PAGE

ANOTHER RAILWAY FATALITY

Sydney Morning Herald Friday 1st February 1878

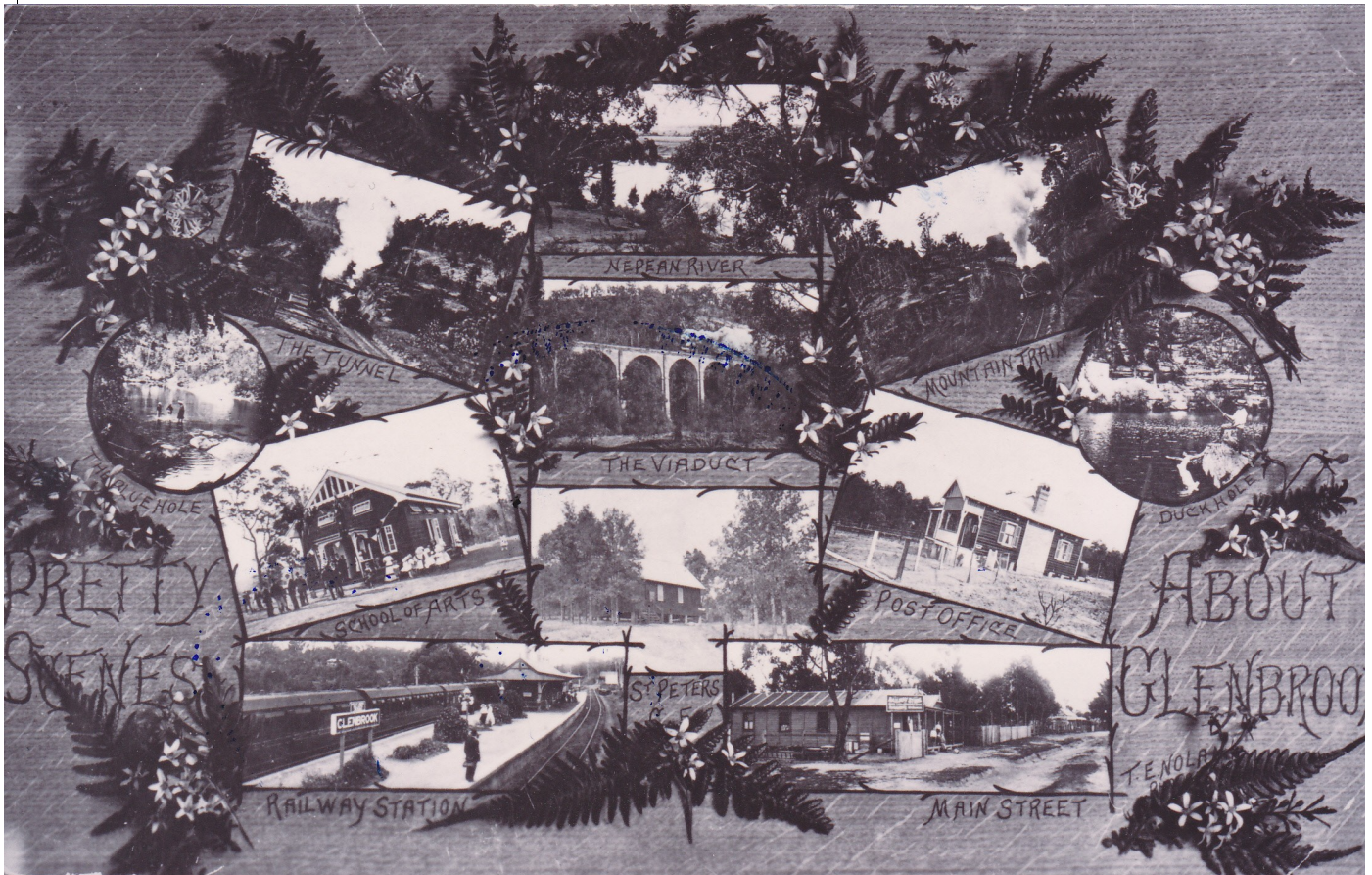
' We have to record another meloncholy accident on the railway which happened near the scene of the collision which took place on Wednesday night. It appears that about 3.30 p.m. yesterday afternoon a young man named George Bunyan, who had been employed on the railway for a some years, was engaged in clearing some trucks at or near Penrith station, when he suddenly slipped and fell on the line Some waggons were in motion at the time, and the wheels passed over the poor fellow's leg, which was terribly mangled.

He was immediately attended by Dr Johnson of Penrith and was transported to the Sydney Infirmary which was reached between 6 & 7 o'clock that evening. He was placed in the accident ward under the care of Dr Marsden who found that he had a compound fracture of the thigh. He gradually worsened and succumbed to his wounds, about 2 hours after admissionm. Mr Bunyan was 27yrs, unmarried and an uncle of George E. Bunyan (Emu Plains) '

EDITORS NOTE:- George Bunyan was born in England 1850 to James Snr. & Mary Ann Bunyan. James & Mary with sons Henry & George migrated to Australia in 1852. George was buried with his parents at Emu Plains cemetry. His nephew, the late George E Bunyan, is the Grandfather to Joan Peard of Glenbrook and Norma Ritchie of Penrith.

An early postcard c1920. Photographer T (Ted) E. Nolan

The Tunnel...Nepean River....Mountain Train.....Blue hole.....School of Arts
The Viaduct.....Post Office.... Duck Hole.....Railway Station....St. Peters church....Main Street.



EDITOR NOTES;- 1st SCHOOL OF ARTS.....POST OFFICE in RAYMOND ST. ... ST.PETERS CHURCH in HARE ST.....2nd RAILWAY STATION now HIGHWAY MAIN ST. Wascoe St.

From the Secretary's Desk

Mushroom tunell: Council has asked us to write a letter to the General Manager stating our concerns and possible recommendations for the tunnel. This has been done. Awaiting a reply from BMCC. A copy was also forwarded to Stuart Ayres office. Our concerns are:

- 1) Possible damage to the fabric of the Tunnel cause by flooding at the Eastern Portal.
- 2) The application by the Crown to fence the site to aid management of the clean up will possibly impact on the walking track used by residents of the Knapsack Street area. It is really the only safe way for walkers to access Glenbrook Village easily.
- 3) Commercial waste and abandoned vehicles and other assorted broken rusty machinery – this has been an issue for at least 17 years.
- 4) Weeds and rubbish compromising Knapsack/Tunnel Gully Creek,
- 5) Weed overgrowth outside Eastern Portal – Weeds also grow up through and around the abandoned vehicles and machinery outside the Western Portal.
- 6) Assorted tumbledown sheds and at least one dilapidated caravan.

The Society will get a Mobile telephone for the use of the Secretary and after this new brochures will be printed ready for Australia Day stall.

Joan spoke to Mark Greenhill on Monday Re: Welcome Wall there is a fault in the date put up as 1883 should have been 1885 carved in stone. Mark said he will personally see to it. Pam T. said a couple of letters are falling off .

Tim said it is very important that we need 2 people permanently there when the Museum is open. Will look at a roster system in the New Year. (Museum is open 1st & 3rd Saturdays each month 9am – 1pm.)



GLENBROOK SCENES NOVEMBER 2004 SPRING FESTIVAL



CAN ANYONE ASSIST????

EDITOR Bill Peard Have you a story of historical interest to tell? Have you lived in the district for a long period? Have you any old photographs, family or scenery? If you can assist, I would like to hear from you. No need to write the story, just give me the basic details, no need to send photographs, just e-mail copies with captions if known. All stories, documents and photos will be acknowledged when published. Please send all Letters, Photos etc, as an attachment to e-mail address... jpe13704@gmail.com

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**Glenbrook & D.H. Society Museum is situated within Old Glenbrook Infants School, Ross St.
Entrance via Park or Ross Sts Museum is open every Saturday
9 am to 1 pm. Entrance FREE**

