

FRIENDS' NEWSLETTER

Palmerville Exhibition Opening

It was great to see so many people attend the opening of our latest exhibition on Sunday 12th April.

In 1826 George Thomas Palmer sent a superintendent and a motley collection of convicts and ex-convicts to establish a sheep station on Ginninderry Creek. Our exhibition commemorates the bicentenary of that settlement.

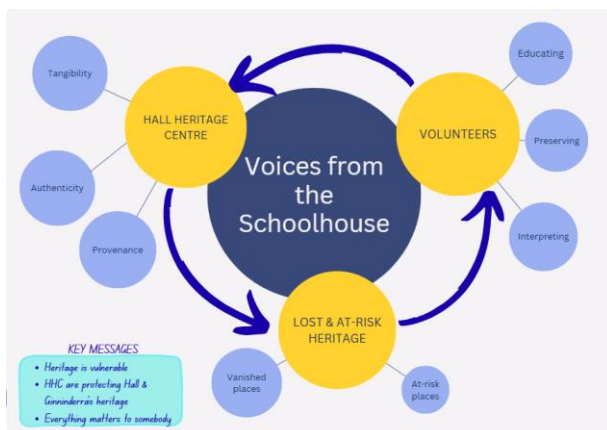
Come along to see:

- a visualisation of Sunday dinner on 23rd January 1848, when the Palmers, the Campbells and the Murrays (all prominent early settler families) got together
- an audio-visual presentation tracing the early history of Palmerville from 1828 until the Palmer connection was tragically severed in 1876
- storyboards that illustrate pre-colonial settlement and aspects of station development from the time of convict labour to the coming of free migrants and on to the era of free settlement.



Visitors listening to the story behind the display, ahead of the official opening by Linda Roberts from ACT National Trust

Joint Project with ANU



Students completing a postgraduate course, offered by the Research School of Humanities and the Arts at ANU called Exhibition Design and Delivery, have been working with a team of volunteers to create an exhibition that tells the story of the Hall Heritage Centre. The exhibition will feature 'vox pops' with some volunteers and a display of some important artefacts from our collection.

Pre-school building

After the Hall Primary School was closed in 2006, the pre-school that was operating on the school site continued to offer places for local children, under the administration of the Gold Creek School. That service continued until 2024, when the pre-school ceased operating. The site has been vacant since that time.

Hall Heritage Centre has been given temporary use of the space for the RCS100 research team that is working towards a major 2027 exhibition, featuring the role of Hall in the establishment and development of the Royal Canberra Show.

DIARY DATE

Friday 5th June @ 4.30 pm
Level 3 Roland Wilson Building ANU

