

National Trust Heritage Festival 2008

Friday 4 – 20 April

Coal River Precinct: Interpretations

An art exhibition of local, invited artists interpreting the Coal River Precinct. Exhibition opening and launch of the Coal River Precinct Walk brochure on Friday 4 April at 7pm. John Paynter Gallery, the lockup, 90 Hunter Street Newcastle

Saturday 5 April 9.30 – 4pm

Newcastle Family History Society Inc. Family History Open Day

Lambton Mechanics Institute, 68 Elder St. Enquiries 49578296

Saturday 5 April 11am – 12

The Hunter Street Mall: Heritage and Development: How can they co-exist?

Join members of the Hunter Regional Committee of the National Trust to examine the impact of proposed changes in the Mall. Meet at the lock up, 90 Hunter St Newcastle.

Sunday 6 April 2 – 4 pm

Experience living history: Coal River Precinct Walk

Accompany members of the Newcastle University Coal River Working Party who developed the concept of the Coal River Heritage Park, recently nominated for National Heritage listing. Meet at the lockup, 90 Hunter Street

Wednesday 9 – Saturday 17 May Mon- Fri 9 30- 8 pm Sat 9 30- 2pm

Schools Heritage Project- 'Our Place ': Wallsend District

An art, creative writing and local history project for primary school children from the Wallsend area. Students' work will be displayed at Wallsend District Library. The official opening is on Wednesday 9 April at 10.30 am.

Saturday 12 April 2pm

Newcastle and Hunter District Historical Society Foreshore Walk

Walk and talk about Newcastle Foreshore- past, present and future. Meet at T.S.Tobruk near Nobbys car park Bookings 49521441

Sunday 13 April 10am

AAA Tour of University of Newcastle

Members of the Australian Architectural Society will conduct a tour of the campus of the University, rich in outstanding modern buildings including three Sulman award winners. \$15 /AAA members free Bookings essential 49252265

Monday 14 April 10am - 12midday

Newcastle and Hunter District Historical Society Walk: Newcastle Pubs and Publicans

Walk and talk about Newcastle's pubs and publicans- past, present and future. The walk starts at the Grand Hotel, cnr Church and Bolton Streets- all downhill. Bookings 49725004.

Sunday 20 April 2pm

From the Hill to the Harbour, Places & People: a Heritage Walk down Wolfe Street, Newcastle

Well-known historian Rosemary Melville, will take you around the high side of the city to view historic homes and buildings. Meet at the Obelisk Hill, Newcastle.

Friends of Tomago House & Port Stephens Historical Society

'Lights & time and our place'

421 Tomago Rd

19 – 20 April 10am – 4pm

Featuring a display of historic clocks and lights from the 1870s to 1930s.

\$5 single / \$4 con

Friends of Miss Porter's House: *Our Place: We never threw anything out*

434 King St Newcastle

19 – 20 April 11am – 4pm

Step back in time everything from teapots to televisions, to outdoor dunny to indoor flush toilet, reflecting ninety years of occupancy.

Enquires 44270202

Friends of Grossmann House: *Our Place: Maitland on Hunter Riverbank walkway*

6 April 2pm

Join the Maitland walk specialist Wayne Campbell as he leads the group along the recently completed walk way, refreshments afterwards at Brough House.

\$15 members / \$20 non-members

Bookings 49 336452

Forum

Thursday 17 April 7- 9 pm

Newcastle City Hall, Hunter Room

Forum: Newcastle: Our Place, Past Present and Future

Speakers: Professor Peter Spearritt, Centre for Applied History and Heritage, University of Queensland, on "Celebrate your Port City: how to avoid becoming yet another Darling Harbour." Professor Steffen Lehmann, School of Architecture and Built Environment, University of Newcastle on "Heritage and Globalisation." Gianni di Gravio, Archivist, University of Newcastle and Chair of the University's Coal River Working Party on "Creating a Novocastrian Renaissance."

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