

1968 –
1972

3 June
1972

REDLAND MUSEUM – KEY DATES

The Rotary Club of Cleveland Project

August 1968

Rotarian **Norman Dean** approached **The Rotary Club of Cleveland** with an idea of saving old horse drawn vehicles and farm machinery in the Redlands.

A **Rotary Advisory Group** was established to consider the feasibility of such a project to the Rotary Club of Cleveland. Members: Norman Dean, Donald Simpson, Gordon Wilson and Adolph Benfer.

February 1969

On the recommendation of The Rotary Advisory Group, **The Rotary Club of Cleveland** adopted the project to build a museum.

The **Rotary Museum Committee** was established to oversee the project. Members: Norman Dean (Convenor), Norman Austin, Dan Holzapfel, Don Kidd, Gordon Wilson, Gerald Moore, Adolph Benfer, Don Krause, Col Devantier and Roy Willett.

Redland Shire Council approved the use of a parcel of land at the Cleveland Showground, now 60 Smith Street, Cleveland, as the site for a museum.

May 1969

With funding from Redland Shire Council, work began on the construction of a brick 216 square metre building to house the old vehicles and farm machinery.

11 April 1970

The original building (Stage 1) was opened by Dame Annabelle Rankin DBE and the Museum was opened to the public.

The blacksmith shop (36 sq metres) was procured and installed this year.

September 1971

The **Redland Museum Foundation Committee** was formed. Members: Norman Dean (President), Norman Austin (Vice-President), Gerald Moore, Una Woodhead, Beryl Wilson, Michael Williams, Robert Macdonald, Harry Clark, Vera O'Shea, Eric Wood, Ernie Wells, Joyce Krause, Father McKinley, Albert Morris and Dorothy Templeton.

The Hon John Herbert MLA, Chairman of the National Trust, officially handed Redland Museum to Councillor E.G.W. Wood MBE, Chairman Redland Shire Council, who passed it to the Redland Museum Foundation Committee to administer on behalf of the citizens of the Redlands.

1972 –
1987

26 June
1987

1988 –
1995

1995

1996 -
2001

1975

Redland Museum's first Constitution was created with an expanded objective "to provide access to and enjoyment of objects of national, historic, scientific, artistic, architectural and agricultural interest ..."

1976

Building extension (Stage 2 - storage) was completed.

1980s

An artefact restoration program began.

1981

Building extension (Stage 3 - committee room and kitchen) was completed.

**Incorporation under the *Queensland Incorporation Act* –
REDLAND MUSEUM INCORPORATED – ABN 78 257 513 502
The Foundation Committee became the Redland Museum
Incorporated Management Committee.**

27 February 1988

Building extension (Stage 4 – now transport area) was completed as part of Australia's bicentennial year of white settlement.

1992

Redland Museum Advisory Committee was established to consider the Museum's future. Members: Redland Shire Council representatives Ken Keogh, Bill Forrest, Sue Skinner and Marcia Lewis, Museum representatives Norman Dean, Norman Austin and Dorothy Templeton and business representatives Geoff Box and Albert Benfer.

**Redland Museum held its first exhibition *Australia Remembers*,
curated by Henry Rudge, commemorating 50 years since the
end of World War II.**

1 June 1996

Building extension (Stage 5 – *Cliff and Irene Dunn Wing, Norman Austin Wing*, storage and entry) was completed.

1999

Building extension (Stage 6 – amenities block (now *Rotary Heritage Library*) and textile room on mezzanine floor) was completed.

7 December 2001

Official opening of the Dorothy Templeton BEM Textile Room.

2004 –
2018

18 June 2004

Official opening by Redland Shire Mayor Don Seccombe of the building extension (Stage 7 – collection area, now the Management Committee meeting room and offices).

5 August 2005

The first exhibition in the new Rotary Wing was held. *They also served* was a tribute to service personnel to mark the 60th anniversary of the end of World War II.

23 August 2005

Dedication ceremony for the *Cleveland Rotary Exhibition Hall* (the space now occupied by the *Stories of the Redlands* display) with Redland Shire Mayor Don Seccombe, members of the *Rotary Club of Cleveland* and Museum members.

2007

A commercial kitchen was installed enabling food preparation for visitors.

13 May 2009

The *Stories of the Redlands* permanent display was officially opened by the Governor of Queensland Her Excellency Penelope Wensley AC. Quandamooka elders Uncle Pat and Aunt Margaret Iselin were special guests.

31 May 2013

Official opening of:

- the 8th building extension, now the Nook and Events Room, by the Governor of Queensland Her Excellency Penelope Wensley AC,
- the *Dan Holzapfel Farm Pavilion* by Dan Holzapfel and
- the *B. & J. Berry Gallery* by June Berry.

13 April 2014

The *Australian Toy Hall of Fame* was officially opened by Graham Erickson, President of the Capalaba Lions Club which had donated the funds for its construction.

7 February 2017

Redland Museum Incorporated Constitution Amendment – Major changes were made in line with the Associations Incorporations Act and Regulations.

9 March
2018

The ROTARY HERITAGE LIBRARY was officially opened by Redland's Mayor Karen Williams with special guests Rotary District Governor Elwyn Hodges and Presidents of all Redland's Rotary Clubs and Rotaract.

2018

The blacksmith shop was extended and re-roofed with corrugated iron.

3 June
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