

OPENING TIMES

The museum is open regularly on the **first Sunday of each month (except January) from 2.00pm - 4.00pm.**

Families are welcome and children's activities are held on the verandah.

In addition, the museum is open for any Brookfield Show Society event and can accept group bookings by appointment from schools and community groups.

All enquiries to:

Chief Museum Steward
Brookfield District Museum
C/- Brookfield Show Society Inc
PO Box 372
Kenmore Qld 4069

HOW TO FIND THE MUSEUM

From the roundabout at Kenmore Village, take the Brookfield Road exit and follow Brookfield Road until you reach the Brookfield General Store next to the showgrounds.

For patrons with a mobility disability, take the first entrance into the showgrounds and park on the left. For others, take the second entrance, the Colquhoun Gate, and park on the flat area.



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THE MUSEUM BUILDING

The Museum is housed in the old Pullenvale Post Office building, which has undergone extensive renovations organised by the Brookfield Show Society, since it was moved in 2003 to the Brookfield Showgrounds from near its original site in White Cedar Road, Pullenvale.

The Brookfield Show Society rescued the house which is more than 100 years old and was, for the first half of the 20th Century, the Post Office and commercial centre of Pullenvale when it was a dairying, farming and timber district.

The Museum was officially opened by Councillor Margaret de Wit on 3 December 2004.

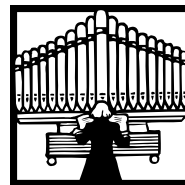


BROOKFIELD'S HISTORY

Displays in the three rooms include memorabilia of the Brookfield Show and Brookfield families. Also exhibited are photographs, maps and relics of bygone days when timbergetting and farming were the prominent activities in the district.



A Reed Organ in working order is on display in the Museum. For many years it provided music each Sunday at the Brookfield Uniting Church.



PATRICK PACEY

One very special item exhibited is the Pacey Waistcoat which is over 150 years old.

Patrick Pacey (a roman catholic) married Ann Bloxson (a protestant) in 1854. At this time, families adhered very strictly to their religious beliefs and "mixed" marriages were often frowned upon. Patrick's father was not pleased that his son was marrying a protestant and displayed his anger by throwing a tailor's iron at his son, breaking his nose. Later, his father repented and made Patrick a waistcoat to wear at his wedding. The waistcoat has recently been cleaned and stabilised.



In 1869 Patrick Pacey selected 1,280 acres in Upper Brookfield which was ten times the size of single areas of land opened up in the mid-1860s. The names of Patrick and Ann Pacey are synonymous with Brookfield, as they were among the first settler-pioneers of the district and prepared the way for others.