



Saturday 12th November 2022 10am-4pm
Maroondah Federation Estate, Greenwood Ave, Ringwood

Come and help us celebrate the Centenary!

A day full of activities, food & coffee, face-painting
Launch of the Recollections book
ECB-FM 98.1 live on-site
Channel 31 filming the day
Art Galleries opened
Games, Scouts, Caledonian dancing
Ringwood Art Society activities
Musician Mark Nunis live
Many historical displays of the district

Community Organisations

Ringwood & District Historical Society (organiser)

Heathmont History Group

New Community Church

Ringwood Arts Society

Wonga Park History Group

Ringwood Field Naturalist Club

Ringwood Baseball Club

Ringwood Secondary School

Ringwood Technical School (now closed)

Croydon Conservation Society

Ringwood Caledonian Dancers

Croydon Historical Society

Wonga Park Scouts

Wonga Park CFA

ECB-FM 98.1 Community Radio (live)

Channel 31 Community Television (filming)

Thank You

Organising Committee

Jan Adolphson, Susan Adolphson, Lesley Taylor, Cheryl Mullens, Barry Box, Peter Fry, Michael Anderson, Neville Burns & Russ Haines (a tremendous job done by all)

We wish to thank each and every community organisation for taking the time and effort to help us celebrate this wonderful day. We wouldn't have been able to do it alone and shows the strength of a community banding together.

A particular acknowledgment to Gavin Fry, former pupil, of Gavin Fry Books (www.gavinfry.com) for putting together the Recollections book at relatively short notice.

RDHS wishes to thank Maroondah City Council for its continued support, in making the venue freely available for this event, and the team at Maroondah Federation Estate for their encouragement and assistance.

The Programme

10am Venue opens

10am-midday ECB-FM 98.1 Radio broadcasting live

Interviews:

10:15 Russ Haines

10:45 Gerry Robinson

11:15 Peter Fry

11:45 Tom Guest

Talk on the historic gardens 10:30, 11:30, 12:30

Monitor talk/discussions 11am, noon, 2pm, 3pm

10am-4pm "Play the Games of 100 years ago"

Midday-4pm Channel 31 filming and interviews

Midday Launch of the Recollections book

12:30pm & 2pm Caledonian Dancing

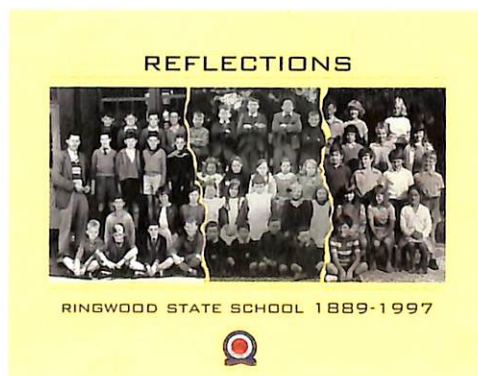
1pm Official Unveiling the Centenary Plaque

1:15pm Cutting the Centenary Cake by senior former pupils

2-4pm Mark Nunis



Musician Mark Nunis
live from 2-4pm



Official launch of this new book, with
stories and images of former pupils
lives at the school



Collector's Centenary mugs
available only today

The School

The first Ringwood State School opened in 1874, two years after compulsory and free education was brought in. It was located in the mining and orcharding areas of East Ringwood.

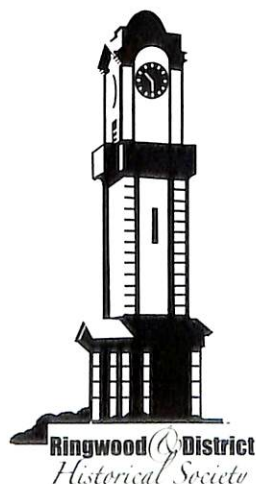
With lack of room for new students and the need to be closer to central Ringwood, one acre of land was purchased at the corner of Maroondah Highway and Ringwood Street. The new school was opened on 1st December 1889, the building made of solid brick.

GREENWOOD AVENUE SCHOOL

Owing to the ever increasing population, the old school became too overcrowded and it was decided to build a new larger school. Eventually an area of 3 acres was obtained in Greenwood Avenue. A new school was erected, with building starting in 1921, retaining the school No. 2997.

All the pupils and teachers, including the head teacher, Mr. W. Broben, were transferred to the new building which was opened early in 1922 by Sir Alexander Peacock, Minister of Education.

After many years of valuable service to the community, the Ringwood Primary School was closed in 1997.



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