

MBHS NEWS

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Top stories in this newsletter



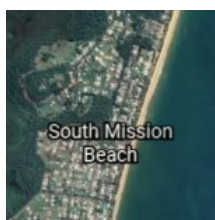
Seasons Greetings



Our Logo



Historical Societies



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As we look back upon the past year, we would like to acknowledge those who have helped us shape MBHS.

Thank you to all the people who have contributed to the continued involvement of MBHS for a fabulous year.

We wish you all the best as we embark on the new year ahead and we look forward to seeing you all in 2022.

Happy Festive Season and safe travels!

The story behind our logo



The MBHS logo has been designed by Leonard Andy, Djiru artist.

The highlights of the composition are a Djiru shield (*Bigin* - taken either from the buttress roots of the Slippery Blue Fig or the Milky pine), a cassowary (*Gunduy* - being a significant animal, culturally and spiritually for Djiru) and saltwater country (the beach meeting the sea).

Traditionally, tribal ochres

Magera (yellow), *Gunggu* (red), *Jillan* (black), and *Gaba* (white) were used to paint the unique Djiru symbolised geometrical designs that appeared on shields.

Historical Societies Meetup

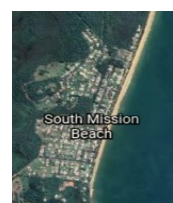


Every three months the historical societies of Cardwell, El Arish, Innisfail, Mission Beach, and Tully meet up to exchange ideas, let each other know what projects they are working on, network, and socialize.

The meeting was held at the end of November, in Cardwell, hosted by Thea Ormonde, Chaired by Librarian: Juanita Jones, and was well attended with representatives from all societies.

They were delighted to hear that MBHS had celebrated its first year, and had achieved lots, including: lively monthly meetings, logo, website, FaceBook page, 23 histories in progress and 14 near completed, newsletters, a growing membership, and looking to be incorporated in 2022.

South Mission Beach



South Mission Beach Road, was named by the then Cardwell Shire before it merged with the Johnstone Shire in 2007 to become Cassowary Coast Regional Council.

Kennedy Esplanade, named after Edmund Kennedy, Surveyor and Explorer, 1818-1848, who died on an expedition from Rockingham Bay, Cardwell, to Cape York.

Mission Beach Historical Society — About Us

The **Mission Beach Historical Society** is a friendly group of amateur historians. We are putting together stories of our local people, industries and events. We also collect photographs, family histories and newspaper articles. Interested? Like to volunteer some time? Become a member?

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Today's events are tomorrow's history