



UPPER HUNTER MUSEUM of RURAL LIFE Inc
& Aberdeen Local Studies Group
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NEWSLETTER
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A cold snap has hit the east coast of Australia, high winds in Victoria and snowfalls even in Queensland. Barrington Tops is one of the coldest places in New South Wales and we get a share of the cool breezes from there. I am sure you have noticed. Because of its unique conditions Barrington Tops was chosen as the location for Aussie Ark which is protecting and preserving some of Australia's special cold country animals. More about the Tassie Devils on the back page.

It has snowed in Aberdeen and other local areas several time over the last few decades and there are sometimes photos of these memorable days, well remembered by people who saw it and played or worked in the snow. It does seem to snow on a Sunday in late July or early August.

If you have some of these special photos tucked away in an album the Local Studies Group would like to know about them and get a copy for our collection. If you contact one of the group (in the kitchen today) they would love to talk to you.

Luncheon & Movie



Tuesday 10th Sept 11.30am
For lunch \$10 donation
Bookings Daphne 65438356
by Friday if possible

Next Meeting UHMRL

Wednesday 28th Aug 2019
4.30pm at Aberdeen Library.

New members and volunteers always welcome.

Scanning afternoon for the local history collection of the Aberdeen Local Studies Group

Friday 30th August 2019
2pm - 4.30pm at Aberdeen Library.

Come along and look through our photo collection of Aberdeen's memories, and bring in some of your old photos to add to the collection.

Upper Hunter Museum of Rural Life Inc. raising funds to establish a Museum and Cultural Centre in Aberdeen.
www.aberdeenmuseum.org.au Email: uhmrl@skymesh.com.au

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Aussie Ark

Aussie Ark, or you might know it as Tasmanian Devil Ark, was begun in 2011 to help save the Tasmanian Devil population which was being wiped out by the fatal Devil Facial Tumour Disease.

A large area at Barrington Tops has been developed to breed Tassie Devils in the Tasmania like condition. It important that they have enough space to breed successfully.

The project has been so successful and the breeding population are doing their job well and increasing the number of healthy animal each year.



Since the success of this Tasmanian devil breeding project, they are now expanding to include 6 more species of endangered Australian animals and have a secure feral-animal free area for the animals to roam freely and safely from feral predators.

Devil Ark also aims to raise awareness and funding in order to avert extinction of the Devil.

