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Hello and welcome to a strange new world! I hope you all keeping safe and well? Just an Update about what has happened with things at the Museum. As you have probably guessed we have shut down for the duration of this health crisis, but members are still doing some ongoing projects (practicing safe social distancing) that we had started prior to the closure of The Museum. The wall behind the Hospital display has been freshly painted and looks really nice.

The Old School is now in the hands of the new owner as Settlement has gone through. The Museum Committee has left a Welcome Pack for them.

The newspapers were carted off to the Recyclers just in time before everything closed down. Thank you to all those who helped load and transport them. We are still collecting papers and bottles so don't stop dropping them off.

On the 15th of March, the Museum opened up for the people who attended the Book launch of 'The family history of Mary Garrett and her descendants'. We had quite a few come through and were most impressed with what they saw and their history that they found.

On the 21st of March, the Museum had a visit from the great grand children and grand child of Alf Norman Mathias to see some of his blacksmithing relics and the bag lifters that were designed by him. They enjoyed their day and thanked the Museum for opening up for them.

Sue Humphrys has donated her 1800's costume to the Museum and with History Month coming up in May it will make a great window display. She will also put up photos on our Facebook site for ANZAC as well. Thank you Sue.

The Museum, with the help of Mike Ogden, has successfully applied for a Grant to put in a cement pathway through the undercover area out the back. So people in wheelchairs and on walking frames can access the area more easily. I will send out more details as they come in.

Stay safe, stay well and see you all when this is over.

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