

Explore heritage listed Bankfoot House, where three generations made their home. Walk through the front door and experience the house as the family left it.

Can you imagine living in the same house as your great grandparents, who didn't throw anything out? The families' resourcefulness is inspirational. Unpeel layers of history through family photos, the working pianola, the 1868 table, the beds layered with mattresses and objects from the families' businesses. You can time travel through the countless calendars and see spoons worn down with years of stirring.

As well as a family home, the house was also the location of a Cobb & Co staging post, the local Post Office, timber-getting businesses, a butchers, the base point for recreational mountain climbers and an overnight stop for independent travellers.

The site also includes the award-winning Mary Grigor Centre which houses community meeting spaces, changing displays, parking and amenities. Pack a picnic and enjoy your lunch in the expansive grounds where the kids can play. The breathtaking views of Mt Tibrogargan and Mt Beerwah add to the sense of rural living. Make sure you bring your camera as there are plenty of photo opportunities.

**What the Standards Review Program has meant for our museum**

**Future planning**

A major outcome was identifying future audience engagement opportunities and reshaping the interpretation plan for the whole precinct that captures the many stories of the site.

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**Opening Hours: Last Sunday of the month, January to November, 10am-3pm or by appointment**

**Admission cost: Adult \$5**

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**Did you know?**

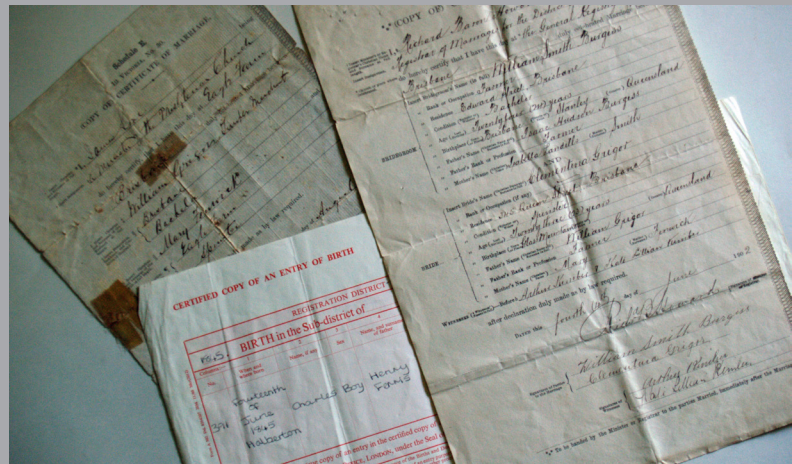
Did you know Mary Grigor was the unofficial midwife of the whole district? She and her husband William established the house and were the first generation of Grigors to live here.

Did you know that around 1868 the cost of a coach trip from Brisbane to Gympie was £3.10 (equivalent today to \$850), even though you could buy a horse for £2? It was a long and arduous journey and Bankfoot House was a welcome stop for travellers.

Did you know Mary Grigor's daughter Clementina was born in the house and when she married, her husband moved in? She lived in the house for almost her entire life. Imagine sleeping in the same bedroom for 85 years.



**Bankfoot House**  
**Credit: Sunshine Coast Council**



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