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M&GSQ is the peak professional body for the public museum and gallery sector in Queensland, representing a network of more than 400 organisations across the State.

## MT PERRY MUSEUM BOASTS WORKING HERITAGE MINING EQUIPMENT

North Burnett Mayor, Councillor Don Waugh, joined the Mayor of Bundaberg, Councillor Mal Forman, and Museum & Gallery Services Queensland (M&GSQ) at the Bundaberg Regional Council on Friday 30 November, in congratulating the **Mt Perry Museum**, on a **great year of achievement**. The Mt Perry Museum houses a wonderful collection of heritage objects specific to Mt Perry and the surrounding districts and a working stamper battery and curvilinear table.

M&GSQ's Executive Director, Rebekah Butler, said today,

"The Mount Perry Museum is to be commended for its achievements during its year-long participation in M&GSQ's Standards Program and for their plans to conduct a collection audit."

According to M&GSQ's Standards Program Reviewers, Dr Geraldine Mate and Ken Brooks, industry experts who played a vital role in providing pro bono professional advice and assistance throughout the Program:

"The commitment to improving the Museum and the tenacity of the Committee Members in continuing to operate the Museum in difficult circumstances, as well as their on-going drive in bringing new experiences such as the operating stamper battery to the Museum is to be highly commended, as is their continuing sense of responsibility and active work in caring for the collection at the Mt Perry Museum. The condition of the collection, considering the limited resources available to the Association is a credit to them."

If you would like to get involved at the museum, Beppie Stanley, Secretary of the Perry Shire Heritage and Tourist Association Inc, would welcome your call on 07 4156 3185.

M&GSQ's Standards Program supports collecting museums and galleries to build skills and capacity, plan for a sustainable future, identify strategic priorities for improvement, develop an action plan and ensure the safeguarding and accessibility of these collections for their communities.

The museum's profile is attached.









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#### **IMAGE CAPTION**

**Image 1** – North Burnett Mayor Don Waugh joins with Mayor of Bundaberg Mal Forman to present a Certificate of Recognition to Mt Perry Museum represented by Councillor John Bowen.

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