

Hundred Year Old Pub Tour
A Unique History in the NSW Central West
5 Days/4 Nights



Date: Monday 6 to Friday 10 May 2024

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DAY 1 – Monday

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Welcome aboard your tour of the Hundred Year Pubs of the Central West! Your tour begins with mini coach pick up in the morning from your home, before meeting with our large coach.

We make our way down the Hume Highway to historic Goulburn, where we will enjoy a homemade morning tea provided by the **Goulburn CWA!**

Goulburn being the first inland city, it has wonderful history, so we will drive by the many pubs in this wonderful town too.

We now make our way to the town of **Boorowa**, with strong ties to the Irish, when in the 1820s two Irish families settled in the region. Many original Irish names now dominate the local phonebook and property names. We will stop in the town for lunch at the **Boorowa Hotel**, established in 1880. We will be offered a welcome and a talk on some of the history of the pub and Boorowa itself.

After we depart Boorowa, we travel to Parkes via **Cowra, Canowindra & Eugowra**, learning the history of pubs in these towns along the way.

Continuing on the road, we arrive in to **Parkes** this afternoon for our 4 night stay at North Parkes Motel.

Two Course Dinner taken at the onsite motel restaurant.

Accommodation: Norths Parkes Motel Ph 6863 4333

Please note: Rooms are on the ground floor AND upstairs.

DAY 2 – Tuesday

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Hot & Cold Breakfast provided at motel.

This morning we make our way to **Peak Hill**. The town developed in 1889 when gold was discovered in the area and two open-cut goldmines were established. Upon arrival we have a quick morning tea off the coach before we visit the **Peak Hill Open Cut Mine Experience**. Our tour guide will escort the group around the 5 open cut mines, providing a comprehensive insight into the history of the mine and early mining methods.

We now make our way to **Tullamore**, another town with strong Irish connections. We will take lunch at the **Tullamore Hotel**, built in 1895 by George 'Jim' Tully, who came from Tullamore in Ireland. As well as lunch we will have a talk on the history of the pub by a local!

It is then on to **Trundle**, home to the famous annual ABBA Festival. We visit the **Trundle Hotel**, which boasts having the longest verandah in NSW on the widest main street in NSW too! While we enjoy a talk on the history of the pub, why not purchase a drink from the bar (own expense).

We then make our way back to Parkes to freshen up before dinner.

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DAY 3 – Wednesday

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Let's get to know the town of **Parkes** today. First off, we will enjoy a guided tour around the town with an **onboard guide**. They will jump on the coach and highlight the diversity, history, landmarks, interesting facts and Memorial Hill drive in the town.

A quick morning tea by Kiama Scenic Tours before going on to the **Henry Parkes Centre**, which houses 'King's Castle' (Elvis), Motor Museum and Moat Cottage. The **King's Castle** is Australia's only permanent exhibition of artefacts that were owned or associated with Elvis Presley. The **Motor Museum** is an impressive collection of motor vehicles owned by the Parkes Antique Motor Club. **Moat Cottage** is a replica cottage that was home to Sir Henry Parkes in Coventry, England.



It is now lunch time, so let's pop over to the **Railway Hotel** at Parkes, established in 1895. As well as lunch, we will also enjoy a talk on the history and have a chance to view old photos of the pub!

This afternoon we will visit the CSIRO Parkes Radio Telescope Visitors Centre – better known as '**The Dish**'. Enjoy the 3D theatre show which shows several short 3D films, explore the visitor centre's astronomy and space science exhibition, and view the telescope up close.

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DAY 4 – Thursday

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Today we head south out of Parkes, down the Newell Highway. We will enjoy a quick stop at the **Commercial Hotel in Forbes** for a talk on the history of the pub, established in 1900. We then pop over to the CWA Hall for a homemade morning tea by the wonderful ladies from **Forbes CWA**. Gold was discovered in Forbes in the early 1860s, and along with it, brought over 30,000 people to the area, before pastoral and agriculture took over. While in Forbes you will also be able to view the nearby Town Hall, built in 1890.

It is now on to **West Wyalong**, another town which benefited from the discovery of gold. Visit the **Royal Hotel**. Built in 1914, the Royal has stood the test of time – surviving war, drought and even a global pandemic. Enjoy lunch here, as well as a talk on the history of the pub by the licensee.

We then head north out of West Wyalong towards **Condobolin**. In 1895 a major copper discovery was made north at Melrose, and the town benefited from the subsequent traffic. We will stop at the **Royal Hotel** for talk and drinks.

We complete our round trip of the area taking the Henry Parkes Way from Condobolin back to Parkes.

Return to your accommodation at Parkes

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Check out and depart our accommodation at Parkes this morning. We take the road east, as we head towards the Blue Mountains. We will do a drive through the township of **Orange**, most likely named as a tribute to Prince William of Orange. Settlers had their eyes on the rich basalt soils of the locality. We will view from the coach historic pubs such as the **Metropolitan Hotel** (est 1886) and **The Hotel Orange** (est 1890).

Continuing on we make our way to **Bathurst**, the oldest inland settlement in Australia. Passing through the town we view local establishments such as **The Victoria Hotel** (est 1896) and **Hotel Dudley** (est 1884). Light morning tea stop taken off the coach in the town.



It is then on to Medlow Bath, home to the historic **Hydro Majestic**. Founded by Mark Foy in 1901, the Hydro Majestic was Australia’s pioneering health retreat, featuring cutting-edge facilities like its own electricity supply before Sydney. Opening in 1904, it quickly became a haven for celebrities, including Dame Nelly Melba and Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. Our visit today will include a **Deluxe High Tea** with a glass of Australian Sparkling Wine, served in The Wintergarden Restaurant. Note: This will serve as your lunch for today. At the conclusion of High Tea, we will enjoy a **History Tour** of the Hydro, starting in the Casino Lobby and finishing in the Hydro Majestic Pavilion. A wonderful way to learn the history of this fantastic building. After 5 full days learning pub history, we make our way back to the coast. Return to your home late afternoon.

PLEASE NOTE: All itinerary attractions are subject to change without notice.

B = Breakfast **M** = Morning Tea **L** = Lunch **D** = Dinner

Inclusions:

4 nights’ accommodation, all breakfasts, all dinners, light morning teas, all lunches and entry to all attractions. Coach pick up & drop off from your home (Illawarra and Sydney areas only).

	Price per person twin share	Single supplement
Travel Club Members	\$1755	\$200
Non-Members	\$1805	\$200

Deposit required upon booking: \$100 per person

Balance strictly due: Friday 4 April 2024

CANCELLATION FEES AND AMENDMENTS

All fees will be levied relative to the amount of notice given

Days Notice:	60-90 Days ↓	31-60 Days ↓	Within 30 days ↓
Deposit:	Full refund <u>OR</u> Transferable**	50% refundable & Non-transferable	Non-refundable & Non-transferable

**If you cancel your booking 60 days or more prior to your booked tour, the deposit is transferable to another advertised tour. This deposit is only transferable once. Should you cancel a tour a second time, full deposit will be lost. Please contact office for further details.

All payments can be made by the following options:

- In person at our tour office (cash or card)
- Via credit card payment over the phone (VISA or Mastercard only)
- Direct deposit – Please ask for our bank details if you choose to pay by this method
- *Please note: We are no longer accepting cheques or money orders for amounts under \$2000. We apologise for any inconvenience.*



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- All tours are subject to minimum numbers.
- Venues, itineraries and attractions are subject to change without notice.
- Travel Insurance is recommended for all extended tours.
Ask your preferred insurer for more details.
- Due to seating restrictions, we cannot reserve seats on the coach.
Seat rotation will apply for all extended tours.
- Wearing of masks on board the coach is at the discretion of the traveller.
- Kiama Scenic Tours will not be responsible should you contract COVID while travelling on our coach.